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TECHNICAL GUIDE NOTICE IL-298

Purpose: To provide notice of revisions to the Electronic Field Office Technical Guide (eFOTG). The eFOTG can be accessed through the Illinois home page by clicking on "eFOTG" or at <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/efotg/>.

Location

Summary of Changes

Section I. Cost Data

Added FY2015 Illinois Payment Scenario Descriptions, with 201 and 202.

Section III. F. Conservation Activity Plans – Technical Criteria

CAP-Agricultural Energy Management (128) Plan Criteria

Added new CAP-Agricultural Energy Management (128) Plan (AgEMP) Criteria that combines the 2 energy management plan components.

CAP-Agriculture Energy Management (122) Plan-Headquarters

- Removed CAP 122 (AgEMP-HQ)
- Removed CAP 122 Plan Checklist

CAP-Agricultural Energy Management (124) Plan-Landscape

- Removed CAP 124 (AgEMP-Landscape)
- Removed CAP 124 Plan Template

CAP-Conservation Plan Supporting Organic Transition (138) Plan Criteria

Updated CAP-Conservation Plan Supporting Organic Transition (138) Plan Criteria and Plan Template.

- Removed Conservation Plan Supporting Organic Transition Cropland Plan Template (138)
- Removed Conservation Plan Supporting Organic Transition Grazing Plan Template (138)

CAP-Drainage Water Management (130) Plan Criteria

Updated CAP-Drainage Water Management (130) Plan Criteria

CAP-Feed Management (108) Criteria

Updated CAP-Feed Management (108) Plan Criteria

CAP-Forest Management (106) Criteria

Updated CAP-Forest Management (106) Plan Criteria and Plan Templates.

Section IV. B. Conservation Practices

Prescribed Grazing (528)

Removed Illinois Grazing Plan Example dated January 15, 2013. Added new Illinois Grazing Management Plan Example dated November 5, 2014. Major changes were made throughout the Example. The Illinois Grazing Management Plan Example can also be downloaded from Sharepoint at Eco.Sciences/Grazing & Livestock.

Section V. Cost and Economic Tools

Cover Crop Economics – Short Term and Long Term Analysis.

Cover Crop Economics – Short Term and Long Term Analysis. Version 2.1 updates and replaces Version 1.1 and adds additional cost/benefit variables.

Technical Guide Notice **298** is filed under Section I, "FOTG transmittals" at the FOTG site.

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Attachments

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Technical Service Providers for Nutrient Management, Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan and
Grazing Management Plans