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## INDIANA FIELD OFFICE TECHNICAL GUIDE NOTICE IN-216

This notice transmits changes to the Indiana Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG) as described below.

1. The following revised standard(s) have been added to Section IV of the Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG) with the following significant changes.
  - a. **561 – Heavy Use Area Protection (January 2015)**  
Significant Changes: Criteria = corrected the setback/buffer distances from environmentally sensitive areas in the October 2014 version.
2. The following Technical Notes have been added to Section I of the Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG) in the ‘Technical Notes’ folder:
  - a. **Agronomy Technical Note: Amending Soil Properties With Gypsum Products (February 2015)** = new – to provide rates and other specifications for the interim standard (801) Amending Soil Properties with Gypsiferous Products being piloted in the Western Lake Erie Basin counties.
3. The following data have been removed from Section II of the Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG) in the ‘Detailed Soil Information – Property, Quality, and Soil Interpretations’:
  - a. **Hydric Soils** for each county = Hydric Soils data are now fully populated in the Web Soil Survey instead of the FOTG.

New and revised standards may be downloaded from the Indiana NRCS FOTG web page: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/FOTG/>. Standards are all located in Section IV along with their respective Job Sheets and other information.

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