



Natural Resources Conservation Service
451 West Street
Amherst, MA 01002

413-253-4350
fax 413-253-4375
www.ma.nrcs.usda.gov

June 27, 2012

MASSACHUSETTS TECHNICAL GUIDE NOTICE NO. MA-258

TO: All holders of Field Office Technical Guide, Sections I & IV

Purpose. This notice transmits one new conservation practice standard and two new planning tools for pollinator conservation.

Explanation

- **Silvopasture Establishment (381).** This is a newly adopted MA NRCS conservation practice standard. This standard has been posted to Section IV, and the payment schedule cost data information for the Silvopasture Establishment standard has been posted to Section I.
- **Massachusetts Pollinator Activity Sheet,** and **Massachusetts Pollinator Seed Rate Calculator.** These tools have been posted to Section IV of the eFOTG under the subfolder "Tools." The Pollinator Activity Sheet and the Pollinator Seed Rate Calculator should be utilized when planning pollinator habitat seedings under any conservation practice standard used to implement and/or manage habitat for pollinators.

Filing Instructions. Insert this notice in front of Section I of the Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG). Replace the existing conservation practice index located in front of Section IV with the revised index (06/27/12) provided with this notice. File the conservation practice standard in Section IV of the FOTG.

All of the documents mentioned above have been posted to the Electronic FOTG (eFOTG).

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Barbara P. Miller". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

BARBARA MILLER
State Resource Conservationist

Attachment

DIST: District Conservationists
Field Engineers
State Conservation Engineer
S.O. Official MA FOTG
Greg Watson, Commissioner, DAR

Helping People Help the Land

USDA is an equal opportunity employer and provider.