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MASSACHUSETTS TECHNICAL GUIDE NOTICE NO. MA-261--CORRECTED

TO: All holders of Field Office Technical Guide, Section IV

**Purpose:** This notice transmits 14 updated conservation practice standards and associated guidance documents.

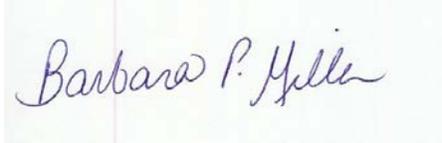
**Explanation:**

- **Access Road (Code 560).** This is an updated conservation practice standard, adopting new state criteria.
- **Animal Mortality Facility (Code 316).** This is an updated conservation practice standard, adopting the new national criteria.
- **Aquatic Organism Passage (Code 396).** Formerly, “Fish Passage”, this renamed and updated conservation practice standard adopts the new national criteria.
- **Channel Bed Stabilization (Code 584).** This is an updated conservation practice standard, adopting the new national criteria.
- **Clearing and Snagging (Code 326).** This is an updated conservation practice standard, adopting the new national criteria.
- **Constructed Wetland (Code 340).** This is an updated conservation practice standard, adopting the new national criteria.
- **Dam (Code 402).** This is an updated conservation practice standard, adopting the new national criteria.
- **Deep Tillage (Code 324).** This is an updated conservation practice standard, adopting the new national criteria.
- **Dike (Code 356).** This is an updated conservation practice standard, adopting new state criteria.
- **Early Successional Habitat Development/Management (Code 647).** This is an updated conservation practice standard, adopting the new national criteria; the specification guide and several jobsheets have also been updated.
- **Forest Stand Improvement (Code 666).** This is an updated conservation practice standard, adopting the new national criteria; specification guide and jobsheet have also been updated
- **Forest Trails and Landings (Code 655).** This is an updated conservation practice standard, adopting new state criteria.
- **Nutrient Management (Code 590).** This is an updated conservation practice standard, adopting new national and state criteria.
- **Restoration and Management of Rare or Declining Habitats (Code 643).** This is an updated conservation practice standard, adopting the new national criteria; the specification guide and several jobsheets have also been updated.

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**Filing Instructions:** Insert this notice in front of Section I of the Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG). Replace the existing index located in front of Section IV with the revised index (02/04/2013) provided with this notice. File the conservation practice standards in Section IV of the FOTG. All of the documents have been posted to the Electronic FOTG (eFOTG).

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