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**TECHNICAL GUIDE
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Notice of Changes

SECTION I. General References

Michigan Technical Notes

The **Biology Technical Note #22 Native Plant Information** has been updated. It is intended to update and consolidate plant information by relying primarily on website links to provide the most current and up to date information. The links direct planners to primary sources. This Technical Note supersedes the following documents: **Biology Note #11- Federal Threatened and Endangered Species**; **Biology Note #14 -Michigan Natural Community Types**; and **Biology Note #13- Michigan Plant List**. These Biology Technical Notes have been archived.

Biology Technical Note #8 Wildlife Values is out of date and has been archived.

Technical questions should be directed to Dan Zay, State Biologist, at (517) 324-5267 or daniel.zay@mi.usda.gov.

SECTION IV. Practice Standards and Specifications

Conservation Practices

An Excel-based **Grazing Calculator** has been added to the folder for conservation practice standard **Prescribed Grazing (528)**.

Technical questions should be addressed to Betsy Dierberger, State Resource Conservationist, at (517) 324-5265.

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An Excel-based **Job Sheet** for the conservation practice standard **Amending Soil Properties with Gypsum (333)** has been added.

Technical questions should be addressed to Betsy Dierberger, State Resource Conservationist, at (517) 324-5265.

The **Michigan Common Seeding Tables** document has been added to the folders for the following conservation practice standards:

Conservation Cover (327)
Cover Crop (340)
Critical Area Planting (342)
Cross Wind Trap Strips (589C)
Field Border (386)
Filter Strip (393)
Grassed Waterway (412)
Herbaceous Wind Barriers (603)

Technical questions regarding the seeding tables should be addressed to Jerry Grigar, State Agronomist, at (517) 324-5250.

Questions regarding Field Office Technical Guide should be addressed to Ruth Shaffer, Water Quality Specialist, at (517) 324-5239.



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