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The following new and revised Missouri standards and specifications have been posted on the Missouri eFOTG. Replaced standards will be archived in Section I of the eFOTG under the appropriate year that the standard was revised:

Revised:

Restoration and Management of Declining Habitats (643)
Prescribed Burning (338)

New:

Silvopasture Establishment (381)

Silvopasture Establishment (381) is a new state standard. Use of this standard should emphasize adding a woody component to existing open grasslands. Transforming existing woody cover to a silvopasture system is limited to plantations.

Changes in *Restoration and Management of Declining Habitats (643)* are found in "Species selection and sources" - pg. 643-3/4. These changes reflect expanding the options available for obtaining native plant material for this standard.

Prescribed Burning (338) has had major revisions. Edited information previously contained in this standard has been moved to a new Missouri information sheet - "*Conducting a Successful Prescribed Burn*" (See following paragraph).

This transmittal also notes two new conservation information sheets titled "*Conducting a Successful Prescribed Burn*" and "*Using Windbreaks to Reduce Odors Associated with Livestock Production Facilities*" that are now posted on the Missouri eFOTG. These Information Sheets are located in Section IV, under the related Conservation Practice. Field offices should use these information sheets with land users that have extended questions dealing with how to conduct a prescribed burn or on the concept and design of windbreaks for odor control.

If you have any questions regarding material in this transmittal, contact Doug Wallace, Forester and Pat Graham, Biologist, Columbia, Missouri, or Mark Kennedy, Grassland Conservationist, Houston, MO.

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