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To: District Conservationists
Area Conservationists
Area Resource Conservationists
Area Biologists
Engineering Staff
Field Technical Services Staff
Key Staff
Area Engineers
Civil Engineers
Project Engineers
State Technical Committee

Subject: Notice of proposed changes to Missouri Practice Standards and Statements of Work for review and comment.

ACTION REQUIRED TO STATE OFFICE by August 18, 2011, 2011.

There is one Missouri draft practice standard and statement of work posted on the Missouri NRCS Webpage for review and comment.

Draft practice posted for review and comment:

- *Brush Management (314) - Standard and SOW*
Major changes have been made to be consistent with recent national standard.

To access the draft, click on the link below.

http://www.mo.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/standards_index.html

For the next 45 days, NRCS will receive comments relative to the proposed changes. Following that period a determination will be made by NRCS regarding disposition of those comments and a final determination of change will be made to the subject standard(s). Draft standards are

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for review and comment only. District Conservationists should review these draft standards with conservation district boards and their employees.

The following procedure shall be followed for response from within NRCS and SWCD to the State Office: District responses should be furnished to the District Conservationist. DCs shall consolidate comments (NRCS and SWCD) from all counties within a FOSA and submit one response directly to the State Office. Area Offices should consolidate area staff responses. Send summaries and comments to: Doug Peterson, State Grassland Conservationist at 209 Ash Street, Gallatin, MO 64640 or emailed to Doug at doug.peterson@mo.usda.gov. Responses from members of the State Technical Committee can be sent to Dwaine Gelnar. Responses may be mailed to the State Office or emailed to dwaine.gelnar@mo.usda.gov.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dwaine Gelnar". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "D".

Dwaine Gelnar
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