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TECHNICAL GUIDE NOTICE NO. 209

This notice announces the posting of updates to Section III— Resource Management Systems and Quality Criteria (Legislative Programs) and Section IV—Practice Standards, Specifications and Job Sheets to the Montana eFOTG.

This update can be accessed on the Montana eFOTG website under Sections III and IV of the FOTG. You can access the Montana eFOTG site at <http://my.nrcs.usda.gov> or <http://www.mt.nrcs.usda.gov>.

Note: The State Office will maintain an archived copy of all updated information. Field Offices need to remove outdated files, but do not need to archive.

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<p>Conservation Activity Plans - Technical Criteria: (122) Agricultural Energy Management Plan – Headquarters dated August 2010.</p> <p>(102) Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan; (104) Nutrient Management Plan; (118) Irrigation Water Management Plan; (126) Comprehensive Air Quality Management Plan; (134) Transition from Irrigated to Dryland Farming and Ranching; (138) Conservation Plan Supporting Organic Transition all dated November 2010.</p>	<p>Conservation Activity Plans - Technical Criteria: (102) Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan; (104) Nutrient Management Plan; (106) Forest Management Plan; (114) Integrated Pest Management Plan; (118) Irrigation Water Management Plan; (122) Agricultural Energy Management Plan – Headquarters; (124) Agriculture Energy Management Plan, Landscape; (126) Comprehensive Air Quality Management Plan; (134) Transition from Irrigated to Dryland Farming and Ranching; (138) Conservation Plan Supporting Organic Transition. (150) Spill Prevention Control, and Countermeasure. All of these technical criteria plans are dated December 2011. File them numerically after Matrix of Wetland Job Approvals for Montana.</p>
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<p>Table of Contents – October 2011.</p>	<p>Table of Contents – December 2011.</p>
<p>Nothing.</p>	<p>710–Agricultural Secondary Containment Facility (no), Standard, pages (Interim) 710-1 through (Interim) 710-4 dated December 2011.</p>

FOTG, Section IV—Conservation Practice Standards, Specifications, and Job Sheets	FOTG, Section IV—Conservation Practice Standards, Specifications, and Job Sheets
<p>328—Conservation Crop Rotation (ac), Standard, pages 328-1 through 328-4 dated July 2002; Specification/Job Sheet, pages Specification/Job Sheet MT328-A-1 and 2 (Annual Cropping); MT328-B-1 through 3 (Flexible Cropping); MT328-C-1 through 3 (Flexible Cropping-Cereal Cropping; MT328-D-1 through 3 (Annual Crop-Hayland/Pasture) all dated July 2010.</p>	<p>328—Conservation Crop Rotation (ac), Standard, pages 328-1 through 328-5 dated December 2011; Specification, page, MT328(A)-1 for Annual Cropping, MT328(B)-1 for Flexible Cropping, MT328(C)-1 for Flexible Legume-Cereal Cropping, MT328(D)-1 for Annual Crop-Hayland/Pasture, and MT328(E)-1 for Flexible Cover Crop Mix-Cereal Cropping all dated December 2011; Job Sheet, MT328(A)-JS1 through JS3 for Annual Cropping, MT328(B)-JS1 through JS3 for Flexible Cropping, MT328(C)-JS1 through JS3 for Flexible Legume-Cereal Cropping, MT328(D)-JS1 through JS3 for Annual Crop-Hayland/Pasture and MT328(E)-JS1 through JS3 for Flexible Cover Crop Mix-Cereal Cropping all dated December 2011.</p>
<p>Nothing.</p>	<p>374—Farmstead Energy Improvement (no), Standard, pages 374-1 and 374-2 dated December 2011.</p>
<p>383—Fuel Break (ac), Specification, Forested Area, pages Specification MT383A-1 through Specification MT383A-3 and Specification, Structures, pages Specification MT383B-1 through Specification MT383B-5 both dated May 2010; Job Sheet, Forested Area, pages MT383A-JS1 through MT383A-JS4 and Job Sheet, Structures, pages MT383B-JS1 through MT383B-JS4 both dated May 2010.</p>	<p>383—Fuel Break (ac), Specification, Forested Area, pages Specification MT383A-1 through Specification MT383A-3 and Specification, Structures, pages Specification MT383B-1 through Specification MT383B-5 both dated June 2011; Job Sheet, Forested Area, pages MT383A-JS1 through MT383A-JS4 and Job Sheet, Structures, pages MT383B-JS1 through MT383B-JS4 both dated June 2011 that were originally supposed to be included on FOTG Notice 206 dated June 30, 2011.</p>

FOTG, Section IV—Conservation Practice Standards, Specifications, and Job Sheets	FOTG, Section IV—Conservation Practice Standards, Specifications, and Job Sheets
798—Seasonal High Tunnel for Crops (ft ²), Standard, pages 798-1 and 798-2 dated January 2010; Job Sheet, pages MT798A-JS1 through MT798A-JS6 and MT798B-JS1 through MT798B-JS15 both dated January 2010.	798—Seasonal High Tunnel for Crops (ft ²), Standard, pages (Interim) 798-1 through (Interim) 798-3 dated December 2011; (Interim) Job Sheets, pages MT798A-JS1 through MT798A-JS5 and MT798B-JS1 through MT798B-JS6 both dated December 2011.
572—Spoil Spreading (ac), Standard, pages 571-1 and 572-2 dated July 2005.	Nothing.
580—Streambank and Shoreline Protection (ft), Standard, pages 580-1 through 580-4 dated June 2000.	580—Streambank and Shoreline Protection (ft), Standard, pages 580-1 through 580-6 dated December 2011.
578—Stream Crossing (no), Standard, pages 578-1 through 578-4 dated June 2011.	578—Stream Crossing (no), Standard, pages 578-1 through 578-5 dated December 2011.

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