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This notice announces updates to Section III—Resource Management Systems and Quality Criteria and updates to Section IV—Conservation Practice Standards, Specifications and Job Sheet material to the Montana eFOTG.

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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 Field Offices need to remove outdated files, but do not need to archive.**

The updated table of contents and conservation practices for Section IV are listed below:

Table of Contents

- 340–NRCS-Risk Management Agency (RMA)-Cover Crop Termination Guidelines
- 592–Feed Management (No. of Systems and Aus Affected): REMOVAL OF STANDARD
- 382–Fence (ft): REMOVAL OF CORRALS JOB SHEET
- 391–Riparian Forest Buffer (ac): REVISED SPECIFICATION
- 612–Tree/Shrub Establishment (ac): REVISED SPECIFICATION

<b><u>REMOVE</u></b>	<b><u>INSERT</u></b>
<b>FOTG, Section III—Resource Management Systems and Quality Criteria</b>	<b>FOTG, Section III—Resource Management Systems and Quality Criteria</b>
Table of Contents, pages MT-i through MT-iii dated January 2014.	Table of Contents, pages MT-i through MT-iii dated February 2014.
Table 1. National and State - Resource Concerns, Quality Criteria, and Measurement Units, pages 1 through 28, dated April 2005.	Table 1. Montana Resource Concerns and Planning Criteria for Conservation Planning, pages 1 through 20, dated February 2014.
Table 3. National and State - Resource Concerns, Quality Criteria, and Assessment Tools, pages 1 through 20, dated April 2005.	Nothing.

<b>REMOVE</b>	<b>INSERT</b>
<b>FOTG, Section III—Resource Management Systems and Quality Criteria (Legislative Programs)--continued</b>	<b>FOTG, Section III—Resource Management Systems and Quality Criteria (Legislative Programs)--continued</b>
<p>Conservation Activity Plans - Technical Criteria:</p> <p>(124) Agriculture Energy Management Plan, Landscape Criteria Activity Practice (CAP) dated December 2011.</p> <p>(124) Agriculture Energy Management Plan, Landscape - <b>Template</b> dated August 2012</p>	<p>Conservation Activity Plans - Technical Criteria:</p> <p>(124) Agriculture Energy Management Plan, Landscape Criteria Activity Practice (CAP) , pages 1 through 6 dated January 2014 and pages 7 and 8 dated September 2013 (last two pages).</p> <p>Nothing.</p>
<b>FOTG, Section IV—Conservation Practice Standards, Specifications, and Job Sheets</b>	<b>FOTG, Section IV—Conservation Practice Standards, Specifications, and Job Sheets</b>
Table of Contents – July 2013.	Table of Contents – February 2014.
Nothing.	340–NRCS-Risk Management Agency (RMA)-Cover Crop Termination Guidelines, a national document dated December 2013 to be filed after the Cover Crop Job Sheet dated January 2012.
592–Feed Management (No. of Systems and Aus Affected), Standard, pages 592-1 through through 592-3 dated September 2004.	Nothing.
382–Fence (ft), Job Sheet, pages MT382(Corrals)-JS1 through MT382(Corrals)-JS4 dated April 2006.	Nothing. Now shown under Livestock Confinement (Code 770).
391–Riparian Forest Buffer (ac), Specification, pages Specification MT391-1 through Specification MT391-8 dated April 2013.	391–Riparian Forest Buffer (ac), Specification, pages Specification MT391-1 through Specification MT391-8 dated February 2014.
612–Tree/Shrub Establishment (ac), Specification, pages Specification MT612-1 through Specification MT612-6 dated April 2013.	612–Tree/Shrub Establishment (ac), Specification, pages Specification MT612-1 through Specification MT612-6 dated February 2014.

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