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This notice announces the posting of revisions of Conservation Activity Plans (CAP) to Section III—Resource Management Systems and Quality Criteria and Section IV—Conservation Practice Standards and Specifications 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 Field Offices need to remove outdated files, but do not need to archive.**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 practice for Section IV are listed below:

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- 396—Aquatic Organism Passage (mi): STANDARD, SPECIFICATION
- 432—Dry Hydrant (ea): STANDARD
- 410—Grade Stabilization Structure (no): STANDARD
- 561—Heavy Use Area Protection (ac): STANDARD
- 521A—Pond Sealing or Lining - Flexible Membrane (no): STANDARD
- 574—Spring Development (no): STANDARD
- 606—Subsurface Drain (ft): STANDARD
- 620—Underground Outlet (ft): STANDARD
- 640—Waterspreading (ft): STANDARD

<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 February 2014.	Table of Contents, pages MT-i through MT-iii dated March 2014.

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<b>FOTG, Section III—Resource Management Systems and Quality Criteria</b>	<b>FOTG, Section III—Resource Management Systems and Quality Criteria</b>
<p>Conservation Activity Plans - Technical Criteria:                      (102) Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan Criteria dated December 2011.                      (104) Nutrient Management Plan Criteria dated December 2011.                      (106) Forest Management Plan Criteria dated December 2011.                      Nothing.</p> <p>Nothing.</p> <p>(114) Integrated Pest Management Plan Criteria dated December 2011.                      (118) Irrigation Water Management Plan dated December 2011.                      (122) Agricultural Energy Management Plan, Headquarters Criteria dated December 2011.                      (134) Transition from Irrigated to Dryland Farming and Ranching Plan Criteria dated December 2011.                      (138) Conservation Plan Supporting Organic Transition Plan Criteria dated December 2011.                      Nothing.</p> <p>Nothing.</p>	<p>Conservation Activity Plans - Technical Criteria:                      (102) Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan Criteria dated August 2012.                      (104) Nutrient Management Plan Criteria dated September 2013.                      (106) Forest Management Plan Criteria dated August 2012.                      (106) Managing Your Woodlands: A template for your plans for the Future, <u>Template</u> dated February 2011.                      (112) Prescribed Burning Plan Criteria dated June 2013.                      (114) Integrated Pest Management Plan Criteria dated April 2013.                      (118) Irrigation Water Management Plan dated August 2012.                      (122) Agricultural Energy Management Plan, Headquarters Criteria dated August 2013.                      (134) Transition from Irrigated to Dryland Farming and Ranching Plan Criteria dated August 2012.                      (138) Organic Transition Plan Criteria dated April 2013.</p> <p>(154) Integrated Pest Management (IPM), Herbicide Resistance Weed Plan dated August 2012.                      (154) Conservation Plan Support (IPM), Herbicide Resistance Weed Conservation Activity Plan <u>Template</u> dated August 2012. File them numerically after Matrix of Wetland Job Approvals for Montana.</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 – February 2014.	Table of Contents – February 2014.
396–Fish Passage (mi), Standard, pages 396-1 through 396-3 dated September 2007; Specification, pages Specification MT396-1 through Specification MT396-3 dated September 2007.	396–Aquatic Organism Passage (mi), Standard, pages 396-1 through 396-4 dated February 2014; Specification, pages Specification MT396-1 through Specification MT396-3 dated February 2014.

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<b>FOTG, Section IV—Conservation Practice Standards, Specifications, and Job Sheets</b>	<b>FOTG, Section IV—Conservation Practice Standards, Specifications, and Job Sheets</b>
432–Dry Hydrant (ea), Standard, pages 432-1 through 432-4 dated February 2009.	432–Dry Hydrant (ea), Standard, pages 432-1 through 432-4 dated February 2014.
410–Grade Stabilization Structure (no), Standard, pages 410-1 through 410-3 dated July 1989; National Supplement, page 410-NS-1; Montana Supplement (green sheet), page 410-S-1 dated April 1987.	410–Grade Stabilization Structure (no), Standard, pages 410-1 through 410-4 dated February 2014.
561–Heavy Use Area Protection (ac), Standard, pages 561-1 through 561-7 dated October 2011; Job Sheet, pages MT561-JS1 through MT561-JS4 dated February 2009.	561–Heavy Use Area Protection (ac), Standard, pages 561-1 through 561-5 dated February 2014.
521A–Pond Sealing or Lining - Flexible Membrane (no), Standard, pages 521A-1 through 521A-3 dated February 2009.	521A–Pond Sealing or Lining - Flexible Membrane (no), Standard, pages 521A-1 through 521A-5 dated February 2014.
574–Spring Development (no), Standard, pages 574-1 through 574-3 dated December 2008.	574–Spring Development (no), Standard, pages 574-1 through 574-4 dated February 2014.
606–Subsurface Drain (ft), Standard, pages 606-1 through 606-7 dated May 2008.	606–Subsurface Drain (ft), Standard, pages 606-1 through 606-7 dated February 2014.
620–Underground Outlet (ft), Standard, pages 620-1 through 620-4 dated July 2011.	620–Underground Outlet (ft), Standard, pages 620-1 through 620-4 dated February 2014.
640–Waterspreading (ac), Standard, pages 640-1 through 640-4 dated February 2006.	640–Waterspreading (ac), Standard, pages 640-1 through 640-4 dated February 2014.

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