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MARYLAND TECHNICAL GUIDE
CHANGE NOTICE NO. 87

Purpose. To distribute eight new and two revised Conservation Practice Standards and Statement of Work in Section IV. A revised List of Conservation Practices and the Change Notice Register have also been updated.

Effective Date. Upon receipt.

Explanation. Section IV: The following Maryland conservation practice standards have been revised and are issued as final.

- Access Control (472) – This Maryland standard has been updated to include an “Additional Considerations” pertaining to access control practices associated with state nutrient application regulations and access control practice as safety measure around waste storage facilities/lagoon. No significant changes were made to other portions of the standard.
- Tree/Shrub Establishment (612) – The “Purpose” and “Additional Criteria” of this Maryland standard have been updated to emphasize the use of this practice for development of renewable energy systems.

The following Maryland conservation practice standards are new.

- Contour Orchard and other Perennial Crops (331)
- Denitrifying Bioreactor (747) – This is a new interim standard for Maryland to improve water quality by reducing the nitrate-nitrogen content of groundwater.
- Forest Trails and Landings (655)
- Fuel Break (383)
- Row Arrangement (557)
- Road/Trail/Landing Closure and Treatment (654)
- Silvopasture Establishment (381)
- Waste Gasification Facility (735) – This is a new interim standard for Maryland for the gasification of animal manure and other agricultural by-products.

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Instructions.

Section I:

- File this Change Notice and the Change Notice Register (new page xxii) in the front of Section I of the Field Office Technical Guide.

Section IV: Contents of this section are distributed in electronic format (eFOTG) only. If desired, paper copies of the standards may be downloaded

from the eFOTG and filed in Section IV of the FOTG binder.

- File the revised List of Conservation Practices Standards in the front of Section IV- Practice Standards. Discard the old list.
- File the new standards for Codes 331, 383, 655, 381, 557, 654, 735, and 747 in Section IV.
- Remove and discard the old standards for Codes 472 and 612. File the revised standards for Codes 472 and 612.

Distribution. All documents may be downloaded from the MD NRCS eFOTG web page:
<http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/efotg>

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Attachments

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