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TECHNICAL GUIDE NOTICE ND-125

This notice transmits revisions to the Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG) as follows:

Section I:

- The Cost Data – 2011 has been added to the Section I – Cost Data.
- Cost Data – Guidelines for Cost Share on Engineering Practice Components – FY 2011 has been updated to include:

A correction of the quantity calculation for the 313 Waste Storage Facility – Earthen Pond. The payment rate was determined by unit costs of earthfill and excavation. The previous guidance had incorrectly listed the quantity rate to be based on storage in the pond rather than the correct method of quantity of earthwork in cubic yards. The total earthwork quantity will be earthfill or excavation, depending on the equipment operation. The larger quantity of excavation or fill will be used, but not both.

Section IV:

- The following conservation practice standards have been updated:
 - Anaerobic Digester (366)
 - Animal Trails and Walkways (575)
 - Anionic Polyacrylamide (PAM) Application (450)
 - Closure of Waste Impoundments (360)
 - Drainage Water Management (554)
 - Irrigation Field Ditch (388)
 - Irrigation System, Microirrigation (441)
 - Land Clearing (460)
 - Land Smoothing (466)
 - Mine Shaft and Adit Closing (457)
 - Roof Runoff Structure (558)
 - Spoil Spreading (572)
 - Structure for Water Control (587)
 - Terrace (600)
 - Water Harvesting Catchment (636)
- A worksheet, *Estimating the Volume of a Manure Pile*, has been added to Section IV – Conservation Practices - Nutrient Management document. It is also located in the Section IV – Forms document, under the heading Worksheets.

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Questions concerning the Engineering Practice Components may be directed to Jill Helmuth at (701) 530-2086 or jill.helmuth@nd.usda.gov . Questions concerning conservation practice standards and the newly posted worksheet may be directed to Dennis Reep, State Conservation Engineer, at (701) 530-2091 or dennis.reep@nd.usda.gov .

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