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TECHNICAL GUIDE NOTICE ND-51

This notice announces revisions to the Field Office Technical (FOTG), Section I, Cost Data - Cost Tables, effective December 15, 2003. The Toolkit Cost Lists for EQIP and EQIP-LRF-BF have also been updated and posted for FY 2004. The Cost Data is located on eFOTG, Section I, Cost Data subfolder at <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/>.

The following changes have been made to Section I, Cost Data. (Note: A line occurs on the right side of the page wherever a change has been made to the Cost Tables)

Table A - Earthmoving and Related Costs

- Excavation Dry - increased from \$1.15 to \$1.20/CY
- Excavation Wet – increased from \$1.30 to \$1.50/CY
- Earthfill - Roller Compaction increased from \$1.50 to \$2.00/CY

Table C - Construction Materials, Wells, and Storage Facilities

- Clarification added to state the “units will be cost shared only when installed by a certified well contractor or water well pump installer.”
- Added clarification that pitless well units and frost free vaults with pressure tanks, switches, and controls are eligible for cost share on new livestock water pipelines connected to existing wells.
- Addition of “No-Tank” which can be substituted for a frost-free vault, pressure tank, switches, and controls.
- Roof Runoff Structure – cost share added as engineers estimate for gutters and outlet system.

Table D - Vegetative Establishment and Related Costs

- Critical Area Preparation turf reinforcing fabrics added at \$2.00/sq. yd. AM

Table E - Seed Costs

- Grass Seed – Introduced Species cost reduced from \$50.00/acre AM to \$30.00/acre AM
- Individual Vegetative Plugs at \$1.00/ea added

Table G – Grassland Practices

- Fence Construction – Feedlot Fence for wind protection added at \$11.00/LF AM

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