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## **FIELD OFFICE TECHNICAL GUIDE NOTICE ND-85**

This notice announces additions and revisions to Field Office Technical Guide as follows:

- Version 1.3 of the “Soil Field Guide for Identifying Ecological Sites,” previously known as “Ecological Site Description Field Key” is now available for download as a pdf file on eFOTG. The guide is designed to assist in the on-site identification of ecological sites using key soil features and is located in:
  - Section I - Reference Subjects – Hay, Pasture, Rangeland subfolder
  - Section II – Ecological Site Descriptions subfolderVersion 1.3 of the “Soil Field Guide for Identifying Ecological Sites” supersedes all previous versions of the field guide, including locally developed ecological site guides.
- LANDCARE, NRCS Publication & Forms Distribution Center, now distributes NRCS engineering forms. A link to LANDCARE has been placed in Section I – Reference Subjects – List of Engineering References and may be accessed at <http://landcare.sc.egov.usda.gov/>. In the search feature, type in the form number, ENG or engineer and you will get a complete listing of items available.
- A Memorandum from the State of North Dakota, Office of the State Engineer, addressing tile drain systems, has been posted in Section I – Reference Subjects – Engineering subfolder and in Section IV – Conservation Practices – Subsurface Drain – 606 subfolder.
- New to eFOTG: State Technical Committee Notices are now being posted in Section I – ND eFOTG User Guide – FOTG State Technical Committee Notifications – Draft items. The “Register of State Technical Committee Notifications – Draft items” is also posted in this subfolder.

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