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SUBJECT: ECS – **REVISED** RANGE AND PASTURE TECHNICAL NOTES: **17** – NE FIELD INVENTORY PROCEDURES FOR DETERMINING BRUSH CANOPY COVER AND DENSITY USING PHOTOGRAPHIC GUIDES AND **21** – DETERMINING CANOPY BASED ON THE AVERAGE TREE CANOPY DIAMETER AND TREES PER ACRE

Purpose. To Issue the REVISED Range and Pasture Technical Note 17 and 21

Effective Date. Effective When Received

Explanation. Updated Range and Pasture Technical Notes 17 and 21.

**Updates to the Range and Pasture Technical Note 17** – NE Field Inventory Procedures include the adjustments to the canopy cover percentages and stem densities for each level of encroachment. We have also replaced the old aerial photos depicting examples with more recent images more reflective of the new adjustments.

**Updates to the Range and Pasture Technical Note 21** – Determining Canopy include changes to coordinate with the practice payment schedule. Line one, paragraph two under background previously read: *“Brush infestation must average at least a low canopy level, (5% or higher) by target specie or a combination of target species to meet the minimum treatment threshold.”* It was changed to now read: ***“Brush infestation must average at least a low canopy level, (as described by current PPS), by target species or a combination of target species to meet the minimum treatment threshold.”***

Filing Instructions. File the revised Range and Pasture Technical Note 17 and [Range and Pasture Technical Note 21](#) in your Nebraska Range and Pasture Handbook. The attached updated [Range and Pasture Technical Note Index](#) should be placed in your Nebraska Range and Pasture Handbook and the previous index recycled.

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