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## TECHNICAL GUIDE NOTICE NO. 596

This notice transmits updates to Section I – Maps, Section II – Cultural Resources and Section IV – Practice Standards and Specifications.

**Section I** includes updates to the Cultural Resources Maps for each county in Nebraska. These maps show the location of known archeological sites; they do not represent all cultural resources that may be historically important including buildings, other structures, cemeteries and other recorded burials, or traditional cultural places. Most but not all counties had an addition of yellow coded sections indicating archeological sites are present. The Cultural Resources Maps are an important tool in our cultural resources review process to determine effects of conservation practices on known archeological sites while identifying and evaluating effects on unknown sites.

**The Cultural Resources Maps are for use by NRCS personnel only** and they can access the maps in Section I of the eFOTG. The cultural resources maps can only be accessed through the secure eFOTG site with use of an eAuthentication user id and password. **The maps should never be saved, copied, or printed** due to the sensitive information presented. NRCS maintains the Cultural Resources Maps in cooperation with the Nebraska State Historical Society (NSHS). These maps will be updated regularly with archeological site location information provided by the NSHS. As a result, printed map versions will no longer be maintained in the field offices and all **previous cultural resource map versions shall be shredded or similarly destroyed** to eliminate the possibility of older versions of these maps being used providing inaccurate information. The most current version of a Cultural resources map should be viewed on the eFOTG.

**Section II** includes updates to the Field Office Cultural Resources Coordinator (FOCRC) Contact List.

**Section IV** includes updates to the Practice Standards and Specifications for the Channel Bank Vegetation (322) Standard, Forest Stand Improvement (666) Standard, Forest Stand Improvement (666DP) Design Procedures, Prescribed Burn (338) Standard, Prescribed Burn (338DP) Design Procedures, Restoration and Management of Rare or Declining Habitats Prairie (643DPa) Design Procedures, Restoration and Management of Rare or Declining Habitats Woodland/Forest (643DPb) Design Procedures, Tree/Shrub Establishment (612) Standard and the Tree/Shrub Planting (612DP) Design Procedures.

**Section IV** Practice Standards and Specifications changes include:  
**Channel Bank Vegetation (322) Standard** has been updated to meet National FOTG requirements and guidelines.

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**Forest Stand Improvement (666)** has been updated to meet National FOTG requirements and guidelines.

**Forest Stand Improvement (666DP) Design Procedures** have been revised and updated to supplement the 666 standard for Forest Stand Improvement.

**Prescribed Burn (338) Standard** has been updated to meet National FOTG requirements and guidelines.

**Prescribed Burn (338DP) Design Procedures** have been revised and updated to supplement the 338 standard for Prescribed Burn.

**Restoration and Management of Rare or Declining Habitats Prairie (643DPa) Design Procedures** has been updated to include Appendix A (Map of Nebraska Prairie Types, based on range sites) at the end of the design procedure.

**Restoration and Management of Rare or Declining Habitats Woodland/Forest (643DPb) Design Procedures** have been added to supplement the 643 Standard (previously issued) for the restoration and management of woodland and forest communities.

**Tree/Shrub Establishment (612)** has been revised and updated to meet National FOTG requirements and guidelines.

**Tree/Shrub Establishment Planting Design Procedures (612DP)** have been revised and updated to supplement the 612 standard for Tree/Shrub Establishment.

If you have questions regarding Cultural Resources, please contact Elisha Mackling, State Cultural Resource Specialist, at (402) 437-4128 or by e-mail at [elisha.mackling@ne.usda.gov](mailto:elisha.mackling@ne.usda.gov).

If you have questions regarding 322, please contact Corey Brubaker, State Agronomist, at (402) 437-4164 or by e-mail at [corey.brubaker@ne.usda.gov](mailto:corey.brubaker@ne.usda.gov).

If you have questions regarding 338 or 338DP, please contact Dana Larsen, State Rangeland Management Specialist, at (308) 728-3781, ext. 108 or by e-mail at [dana.larsen@ne.usda.gov](mailto:dana.larsen@ne.usda.gov).

If you have questions regarding 643DPa or 643DPb, please contact Ritch Nelson, State Biologist, at (402) 437-4100 or by e-mail at [ritch.nelson@ne.usda.gov](mailto:ritch.nelson@ne.usda.gov).

If you have questions regarding 612, 612DP, 666, or 666DP, please contact Constance Miller, State Forester, at (402) 437-4029 or by e-mail at [constance.miller@ne.usda.gov](mailto:constance.miller@ne.usda.gov).

Note: The State Office will archive a hard copy of all materials and copies of electronic files of materials removed on the Nebraska eFOTG site under Section I, Archive, Maps, Section II, Archive, Cultural Resources and Section IV, Archive, Practice Standards and Specifications. If Field Offices wish to maintain an archived hard copy, of the above referenced standards as a reference, they may do so.

Changes for all field offices are noted by "**ALL COUNTIES**" and should be made in all Field Office Technical Guides.

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/s/ Leroy Stokes, Acting

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