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## TECHNICAL GUIDE NOTICE NO. 616

This notice transmits updates to Section II–Natural Resources Information in the Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG). You can also find these updates in Section IV–Tools of the Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG).

This Notice transmits the Pesticide Data Update (released 2-18-10) for the Windows Pesticide Screening Tool Version 3.1 (WIN-PST 3.1). WIN-PST 3.1 replaced version 3.0 on your computers. If you have not used WIN-PST 3.1, a user guide can be found at the USDA NRCS Pest Management Website or click on the following link [WIN-PST 3.1 User Help](#).

WIN-PST version 3.1 or WEEDSOFT (leaching only) is be used to evaluate pesticide loss potential. WIN-PST 3.1 is found in the Start Menu in the “Engineering Applications” folder under “All Programs”.

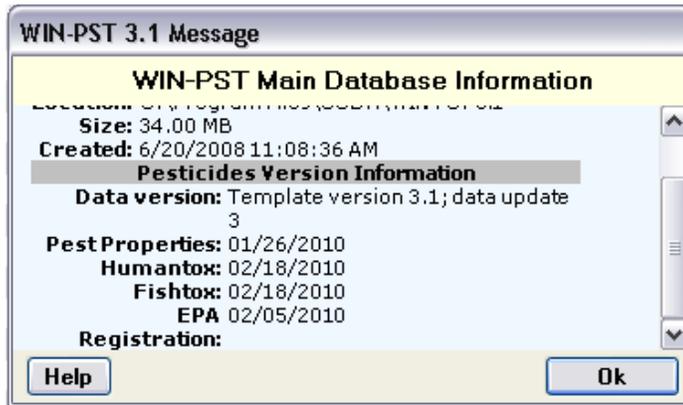
The pesticide data base in WIN-PST 3.1 has been updated to include:

- Two new active ingredients
- Synchronization with EPA pesticide product registration data base as of 02-05-10.

### **To update the pesticide data base in WIN-PST 3.1, please follow the steps.**

1. Click and print the instructions (use the following link: [Instructions for updating WIN-PST 3.1 Pesticide Data](#).)
2. Create a temporary directory of C:\Work for the zip file.
3. Download the zip file from the following link [Pesticide Data Update 2-18-10](#) by clicking “Save” and saving it to the temporary directory created in step 2.
4. Open the saved file and extract the zipped file to the same directory by selecting the file and clicking on “Extract”.
5. Follow the instructions beginning at Step 3 to update the pesticide data in the WIN-PST 3.1 program. The process should take no longer than 5 to 10 minutes. The instructions provide a means to check if the update has been completed. You will need to close the WIN-PST application and re-open it to determine if the update has been completed. If completed correctly the WIN-PST Main Database Information window should look like the one below.





If you have any questions, please contact Renee Hancock, NRCS Water Quality Specialist, at 402-437-4064, e-mail: [renee.hancock@ne.usda.gov](mailto:renee.hancock@ne.usda.gov); or contact Corey Brubaker, NRCS State Agronomist, at 402-437-4164, email: [corey.brubaker@ne.usda.gov](mailto:corey.brubaker@ne.usda.gov).

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

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<b>ALL COUNTIES</b>	<b>ALL COUNTIES</b>
Section II–Water Quality and Quantity Interpretations Pesticide Loss Assessment Tool (WIN-PST)  Replace old WIN-PST pesticide reports that are applicable to your county(s), if you have printed them out.	Section II–Water Quality and Quantity Interpretations <a href="#">Windows Pesticide Screening Tool (WIN-PST)</a>  Print and insert Current WIN-PST pesticide reports that are applicable to your county(s). *Note inserting this information is optional since data is maintained by downloading current information from WIN-PST website.

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