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**NEW MEXICO FIELD OFFICE TECHNICAL GUIDE
TRANSMITTAL NOTICE NO. 76**

SUBJECT: ECS – Section II, Highly Erodible Land (HEL) Soils – Frozen List

Purpose: This notice transmits the Frozen HEL Lists into the New Mexico Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG).

Effective Date: This notice is effective when received.

Explanation: The Frozen HEL List for each County in New Mexico is in the archived physical version of the NM FOTG in the State Office. It has been converted to an electronic format for inclusion into Section II of the FOTG. A definition of HEL is also being placed in Section II. These are the official list to be used for all Food Security Act/ Highly Erodible Land Conservation (FSA/HEL) activities.

If you have any questions, please contact Daniel Bloedel, Resource Conservationist, via phone (505) 761-4448 or email daniel.bloedel@nm.usda.gov or Rudy Garcia, State Agronomist, at (505) 761-4424 or rudy.garcia@nm.usda.gov

NRCS New Mexico FOTG can be accessed at: <http://efotg.sc.egov.usda.gov/treemenuFS.aspx>

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