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SUBJECT: Technical Guide Notice 140

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TO: All Holders of the PA Technical Guide

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**Purpose:** The purpose of this notice is to release the following technical support materials for identifying noxious weeds and invasive plants to Section I of the FOTG. Hard copies of the materials listed below have also been distributed to Field Offices and Technical Centers.

**Explanation:**

The Visual Guide to Pennsylvania's Noxious Weeds. The document can also be found at:

[http://www.pa.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/CREP/2009-VisualGuide\\_final.3.30.09.pdf](http://www.pa.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/CREP/2009-VisualGuide_final.3.30.09.pdf)

Mistaken Identity? An Identification Guide for the Mid Atlantic of Invasive Plants and their Native Look-Alikes. The document can also be found at:

[http://weblogs.nal.usda.gov/invasivespecies/archives/2009/02/mistaken\\_identi.shtml](http://weblogs.nal.usda.gov/invasivespecies/archives/2009/02/mistaken_identi.shtml)

**Background:**

NRCS staffs, partners and contractors are likely to be among the first professionals to see or hear of existing or potential species invasions on private agricultural and forest lands. The released materials are being provided in support of NRCS policy to help private landowners recognize, inventory, and control invasive species.

**Access Instructions:**

The Pennsylvania eFOTG can be accessed at the following web address and then selecting the appropriate county. [http://efotg.nrcs.usda.gov/efotg\\_locator.aspx?map=PA](http://efotg.nrcs.usda.gov/efotg_locator.aspx?map=PA)

The Pennsylvania eFOTG Section I Table of Contents can be accessed *directly* at the following:

Section I

<http://efotg.nrcs.usda.gov/toc.aspx?CatID=12409>

The official version of the FOTG is what appears in Pennsylvania's eFOTG.

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