

Notice No. 15

TO: All Holders of the PA FILE CODE: 450-11
Soil and Water Conservation
Technical Guide

Purpose. To transmit an updated set of Wetland Mapping Conventions to be used in completing Certified Wetland Determinations.

Filing Instructions. The new Wetland Mapping Conventions replace the mapping conventions (dated June 1993) filed as Technical Guide Reference No. 102. Make pen and ink changes to both the Numerical List of References and Biology Subject List of References to reflect the update (August 1994). ←

The 1990 farm bill required the certification of all wetland determinations. The federal wetlands Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) requires that all Certified Wetland Determinations will be done using mapping conventions agreed on by the four agencies: Corps of Engineers, EPA, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service and NRCS.

All field offices and other PA Technical Guide holders are being mailed copies of the jointly approved Wetland Mapping Conventions for Pennsylvania dated August 1994. This is being done so that wetland determinations for all 1995 FSA Status Reviews may be certified.

All wetland determinations completed or updated after receipt of the jointly approved wetland mapping conventions must be done following the guidance in these mapping convention. NRCS field offices will notify the USDA participant of certification and provide a list of Certified Wetland Determinations to CFSA (180-V-NFSAM, 3rd Ed., Sec. 514.52)



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Enclosure