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Purpose: Updated RESOURCE CONCERNS & PLANNING CRITERIA added to Section III and the following Pennsylvania standards to Section IV.

Note: The minimum width for 390 has increased from 30 ft. to 35 ft. in most situations. Pennsylvania specific documents have been added to the REFERENCES sections of 395, 644, and 647.

- 314 - BRUSH MANAGEMENT – Standard, Statement of Work, Job Sheet, Check Out Doc.
- 511 - FORAGE HARVEST MANAGEMENT – Standard, Statement of Work, Job Sheet, Check Out Doc.
- 590 - NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT – Standard, Practice Guide, Check Out Documentation
- 647 - EARLY SUCCESSIONAL HABITAT DEVELOPMENT/MANAGEMENT - Standard, Specification
- 390 - RIPARIAN HERBACEOUS COVER - Standard
- 395 - STREAM HABITAT IMPROVEMENT AND MANAGEMENT - Standard
- 396 - AQUATIC ORGANISM PASSAGE - Standard
- 644 - WETLAND WILDLIFE HABITAT MANAGEMENT - Standard
- 655 - FOREST TRAILS AND LANDINGS - Standard
- 548 - GRAZING LAND MECHANICAL TREATMENT - Standard
- 380 - WINDBREAKS - Supplement, Maryland Plant Materials - Technical Note No. 1
- RESOURCE CONCERNS & PLANNING CRITERIA - The formal list of 31 resource concerns restructured to support the streamlining of delivering conservation assistance is now released to Section III. These official resource concerns along with new planning criteria and screening process will be integrated into the Conservation Desktop scheduled for deployment later this year for use in FY2014. The document is posted at this time to support future CDSI training purposes. Continue to use for the remainder of this fiscal year the existing resource concerns and quality criteria as learned in prior certified conservation planner training. Existing resource concerns and evaluation tools are described in the document titled "Concerns and Criteria" also found in Section III.

Access Instructions:

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

The entire Pennsylvania eFOTG can be accessed at the following web site:

http://efotg.nrcs.usda.gov/efotg_locator.aspx?map=PA . You can also access the Section IV Table of Contents directly at the following web address: <http://efotg.sc.egov.usda.gov/toc.aspx?CatID=12487>.

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