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## TECHNICAL GUIDE NOTICE NUMBER 204

**Purpose.** To remind users of PA Soils Information of the Annual Refresh and Update of PA Soil Survey Databases.

**Effective Date.** This notice is effective upon receipt.

**Explanation of Changes.** As part of the national effort to update soil properties based on MLRA Boundaries and provide consistency of soils data across county boundaries, many soil survey projects impacting PA, have been completed and posted to the national server. Based on soils data evaluated and National Calculations, some soil properties and interpretations may have changed. Significant changes may impact soil K factor, T factor, Hydrologic, Soils Group, and RUSLE Attributes to name a few.

To access the most current version of soils data please visit **Section II** of e-FOTG, Soils Information, Soil Data Download and click on the county of interest.

You can access and or download the current version of soils information for the county of Interest by visiting Web Soil Survey directly at:

<http://websoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov/app/WebSoilSurvey.aspx>

If you have any questions relating to the Annual Refresh of Soils Data or concerns about what version of soils data you are accessing please feel free to contact your Resource Soil Science for your area, the GIS Team in the State Office or Joe Kraft, State Soil Scientist.

**Access Instructions.** The entire Pennsylvania Field Office Technical Guide can be accessed at the following website: <http://efotg.sc.egov.usda.gov/>

You may also access Section II Table of Contents directly at the following web address.

<http://efotg.sc.egov.usda.gov/toc.aspx?CatID=12438>

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