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SUBJECT: South Carolina Practice Standard

Purpose: To transmit the recently approved South Carolina Practice Standard for Shallow Water Development and Management (Code 646).

Effective Date: Begin using the new standard immediately.

Background: Conservation practice standards establish the minimum acceptable level of quality in planning, designing, installing, operating, and maintaining conservation practices. SC Standard 646 has been modified for use in South Carolina.

Shallow Water Development and Management (Code 646): This standard covers the inundation of lands to provide habitat for fish and/or wildlife. The standard covers lands where water can be impounded or regulated by diking, excavating, ditching, and/ or flooding. The standard is limited to sites being verified by a soil scientist, to ensure that soils have a water table that, under natural conditions, is at a depth of 1 foot or less and has a clay content of at least 25% or more at depths of 15 to 40 inches.

Filing Instructions: The updated standard has been loaded into Section IV of the Electronic Field Office Technical Guide (eFOTG). A copy of this notice can be found in Section I under the folder "FOTG Notices and Updates" of the eFOTG.

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