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SUBJECT: VIRGINIA FIELD OFFICE TECHNICAL GUIDE – SECTION IV – Virginia Conservation Practice Standards

Purpose: To transmit the following Virginia Conservation Practice Standards:

Conservation Cover (327), dated September 2010
Herbaceous Weed Control (Code 315), dated September 2010

Effective Date: Upon receipt.

Filing Instructions: These standards can be accessed electronically in Section IV of the Virginia Electronic Field Office Technical Guide at: http://efotg.nrcs.usda.gov/treemenuFS.aspx.

If your office maintains a hard copy of the Field Office Technical Guide, please follow these filing instructions:

Replace Conservation Cover, Code 327, dated January 2001 with Conservation Cover, Code 327, dated September 2010.

Job Sheets and Statements of Work for each of these Practice Standards have been placed in Section IV of the Virginia Electronic Field Office Technical Guide.

The outdated standard will be archived in the archived folder in Section IV of the Virginia Electronic Field Office Technical Guide.

Explanation:
Conservation Cover (Code 327): This practice is no longer limited to just retiring agricultural land. It can be used on any land that requires vegetative cover. It still does not include forage production or critical area plantings.

Herbaceous Weed Control (Code 315): This is a new standard that applies to managing herbaceous weed species using mechanical and chemical techniques. It is not to be used on woody species.

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Enclosures