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

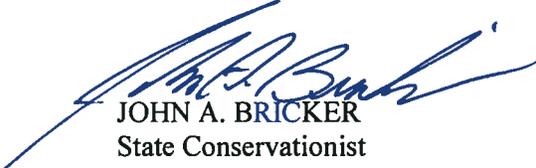
Purpose: To transmit Virginia Conservation Practice Standard, Prescribed Grazing, Code 528.

Effective Date: Upon receipt.

Filing Instructions: This standard can be accessed electronically in the Virginia Electronic Field Office Technical Guide at: <http://efotg.nrcs.usda.gov>.

File this Standard in Section IV of the Virginia Field Office Technical Guide. Place old standard in your archived file.

Explanation: This standard was revised by expanding the purpose statements for the practice. Additional criteria were expanded to address resource concerns related to the health and vigor of plant communities, the quantity and quality of forage for animal health and productivity, surface and subsurface water quality, riparian watershed function, soil erosion and condition, food and cover for fish and wildlife, and management of fine fuel loads. A check data section has been added in the plans and specification section that lists nine items to be contained in a prescribed grazing plan.



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