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WISCONSIN FIELD OFFICE TECHNICAL GUIDE
NOTICE FOTG WI - 70

The following revisions to the Wisconsin FOTG have been posted on the Wisconsin e-FOTG website:

Section IV: Conservation Practice Standards and Specifications:

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- Access Road (Code 560)
- Agrichemical Handling Facility (Code 309)
- Dust Control on Unpaved Roads and Surfaces (Code 373) – *New WI Standard*
- Groundwater Testing (Code 355) – *New Name*
- Irrigation System, Tailwater Recovery (Code 447)
- Irrigation Water Management (Code 449)
- Monitoring Well (Code 353) – *New WI Standard*
- On-Farm Secondary Containment Facility (Code 319) – *New WI Standard*
- Stormwater Runoff Control (Code 570)
- Trails and Walkways (Code 575)
- Vegetated Treatment Area (Code 635)
- Watering Facility (Code 614)
- Water Well (Code 642)
- Well Decommissioning (Code 351) – *New Name*
- Construction Specification 10, Fences

Explanation of Changes/Revisions:

Access Road (Code 560) - The revised Standard incorporates minor changes to the National Standard. The chart for the location of cross-slope drainage features was modified to include a variety of soil types.

Agrichemical Handling Facility (Code 309) - The revised Standard incorporates minor changes to the National Standard. The criteria for concrete exposed to agrichemicals were updated.

Dust Control on Unpaved Roads and Surfaces (Code 373) - The National Standard was added to the FOTG since it is referenced in other revised Standards.

Groundwater Testing (Code 355) - The National Standard title was changed from "Well Water Testing" to reflect that the practice can be used to test water from both wells and springs.

Irrigation System, Tailwater Recovery (Code 447) - The revised Standard incorporates minor changes to the National Standard. The plans and specifications section was completely rewritten.

Irrigation Water Management (Code 449) - The revised Standard incorporates minor changes to the National Standard. The criteria for plant stress monitoring were updated to include current technology.

Monitoring Well (Code 353) - The National Standard was added to the FOTG since it was referenced in other revised Standards.



On-Farm Secondary Containment Facility (Code 319) - This is a new National Standard that was added to the FOTG to address the need for on-farm secondary containment of oil and petroleum products. This need is often identified during site assessment for Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plans.

Stormwater Runoff Control (Code 570) - The WI Standard contains the criteria for silt fences that were previously removed from Sediment Basin (Code 350).

Trails and Walkways (Code 575) - The National Standard incorporated Trails and Walkways (Code 568) into Animal Trails and Walkways (Code 575) and removed Code 568.

Vegetated Treatment Area (Code 635) - References to Sediment Basin (Code 350) were replaced with Waste Separation Facility (Code 632).

Watering Facility (Code 614) - The revised Standard incorporates minor changes to the National Standard. The criteria for watering ramps were added to this Standard.

Water Well (Code 642) - The revised Standard incorporates minor changes to the National Standard.

Well Decommissioning (Code 351) – The National Standard title was changed from “Water Well Decommissioning.” The Standard is used to decommission both water wells and monitoring wells.

Construction Specification 10, Fences – The specification was revised to update wire materials and referenced ASTMs in Parts II and IV.

Remove the following Standards from any printed copies of the WI FOTG:

- Animal Trails and Walkways (Code 575), dated 1/14
- Trails and Walkways (Code 568), dated 12/10
- Water Well Decommissioning (Code 351), dated 10/12
- Well Water Testing (Code 355), dated 12/11

A link to the Wisconsin FOTG is located on the Wisconsin NRCS website at:
<http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/technical/fotg/>

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