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Purpose. To provide a focus on the application of nutrient management, the awareness of risk assessment, and to place the incentive for nutrient management on positively impacting nutrient balancing.

Effective Date. This notice is effective upon receipt

Explanation of Changes.

Wisconsin Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG) Notice WI-72 provided policy for conservation practice code 590 Nutrient Management when paid through the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP). This policy update will remove the need for a final soil sample in the last year of the contract.

For 590 plan development, the initial soil sample and nutrient management plan will be required as part of a Conservation Activity Plan (CAP), or an equivalent component plan. Applicants seeking 590 in an EQIP contract must have an approved CAP 102 Nutrient Management Plan, CAP P104 Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan, or equivalent component plan to screen above a Low Priority for any application containing 590. The component plan, or CAP, must be signed by a CCA certified nutrient management, or by a certified NRCS planner with background in nutrient management planning. All CAPs, or equivalent component plans, must meet NRCS 590 Standards and Specifications, which includes UW approved soil testing protocol.

Applicants selected for 590 plan implementation will be required to turn in records and complete the current Nutrient Management Job Sheet in order to qualify for payments. SNAP+ records will supplement documentation by the participant showing evidence they have been accurately recording the quantity and location of nutrient applications, along with following all restrictions according to the 590 plan. In addition, RUSLE2 soil loss will be calculated with no fields over tolerable levels and no concentrated flow channels existing on any field.

See Job Sheet 590 and the current 590 Practice Standard in the FOTG for practice standards and specifications required in all CAP or component plans.

Filing Instructions. This notice can be accessed electronically through the Wisconsin Field Office Technical Guide Website at <https://efotg.sc.egov.usda.gov/>

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