

SUBPART A – POLICY AND RESPONSIBILITIES

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401.1(c) State Conservationists and Directors of the Pacific Basin and Caribbean Area

(9)(a) All changes to Standards and Specifications in Section IV of the FOTG will be posted on the Maine NRCS Web page under a section titled, “Draft Standards and Specifications”. District Conservationists, Members of the Field Office Technical Guide Committee, Members of the State Technical Committee and ASTC for Programs in New Hampshire, State Historic Preservation Officer and the Penobscot Indian Nation’s Tribal Historic Preservation Officer will be notified that comments on draft Standards and Specifications are being solicited. Time period that comments are accepted will be communicated. Discipline responsible for the Standard and Specification will collect comments on the proposed draft. The responsible discipline will forward the comments along with their suggested response and suggested adjustments to the Standard and Specification if appropriate to the State Resource Conservationist or State Conservation Engineer as appropriate. All comments will be addressed before issuing the revised Standard and Specification. Once the revised Standard and Specification is issued, each District Conservationist is responsible for reviewing changes in Standards and Specifications with the NRCS field office staff, SWCD Board and staff as appropriate.

Follow policy of publishing revisions of practice standards in the Federal Register (see GM Title 450 – Part 401 – Subpart D – Providing for Public Review and Comment of Section IV of the Technical Guide).