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IOWA INSTRUCTION 420-380 – CULTURAL RESOURCES EVALUATION RESPONSIBILITIES

Part 380.0 PURPOSE

This Iowa Instruction clarifies NRCS cultural resources evaluation responsibilities with regard to CRP signups.

Part 380.1 SCOPE

This Iowa Instruction will be followed by all NRCS employees.

Part 380.2 FILING INSTRUCTIONS

This Iowa Instruction will be placed on the Iowa NRCS Employee Website;
<http://www.ia.nrcs.usda.gov/intranet/>.

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1. PURPOSE:

This Iowa Instruction clarifies NRCS cultural resources evaluation responsibilities with regard to CRP signups.

2. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

NRCS field office employees shall complete the IA CPA-52, including the cultural resources section, for continuous and general CRP signups in which NRCS is responsible for preparing plans.

3. EXPLANATION OF PROCESS:

The cultural resources evaluation shall include the literature search (electronic, map, and atlas) and field check. Should a cultural resource be identified that might be impacted by the CRP undertaking then this will be noted on the IA CPA-52. The Farm Service Agency (FSA) will be given the completed IA CPA-52. Whether or not a cultural resource is located, NRCS cultural resources responsibilities will be completed when the IA CPA-52 is handed over to FSA. Any additional work will be the responsibility of FSA which is the lead federal agency.

Approved by:

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