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SUBJECT: INV–National Resources Inventory 2011 and 2012 Local Data Collection

Action required by: Close of business March 8, 2013

Purpose. Provide information and guidance required for local data collection

Expiration Date. September 30, 2014

Background. The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is committed to completing local data collection for the 2011 and 2012 annual National Resources Inventory (NRI). This requires the collection of data which cannot be remotely sensed, i.e., cropping history, supporting data used to calculate soil loss, and conservation program participation information. This data, which is called "local data," will be collected through an updated Local Data Survey Instrument (LDSI) on the World Wide Web.

The updated instrument contains two new features:

1. In an effort to have better control over the application for errors, bug fixes, power outages, etc., it has been decided to host the application at Iowa State University. Therefore, the eAUTH login will not be used for data entry. Instead, personnel who enter the data will be required to set up an account to perform data entry. Each account requires a user name, password, and email address. Each application for an account will be submitted to the State Resources Inventory Coordinator (SRIC) for approval.
2. Farm Service Agency (FSA) common land use layer and cropping data will be included in the imagery portion of the instrument. This will reduce the need for field office personnel contacting their local FSA office to collect cropping data.

Susie M. McBride will be assuming the SRIC duties and will provide data collection instruction via email to all supervisory district conservationists and area data collection support personnel.

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The email will include:

1. A link for setting up a data entry account
2. A link to the Web site containing the LDSI

The data collectors may begin entering data after data collection training and their data entry account has been approved.

NRCS personnel who work on the inventory should charge their time to **US-CTA-NRI** KS-(Inventory county).

Each assistant state conservationist for field operations is responsible for ensuring that data collectors have received data collection instructions and follow the data collection procedures.

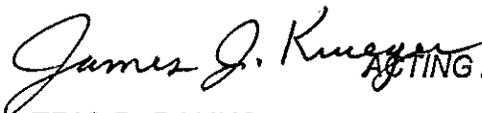
Data collection is to be completed by close of business on March 8, 2013.

As data entry for each county is completed, the supervisory district conservationist will notify Susie M. McBride via e-mail (susie.mcbride@ks.usda.gov).

The data must be reviewed and certified by the SRIC before it is transferred to the Central Remote Sensing Laboratory. Data collectors may be requested to resolve, in a timely and efficient manner, any deficiencies identified during the review process.

Attached is a state map of the 2011 and 2012 local data collection workload.

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