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Subject: LTP – Conservation Security Program (CSP) 2007 Final Continuing Resolution Limit Payments (CRLP)

Purpose. To provide notice for States to process Final CSP 2007 Continuing Resolution Limit Payments (CRLP).

Expiration Date. September 30, 2007

Background. NRCS received an initial apportionment for CSP and initiated FY 2007 payments in November 2006 under the authority of a continuing resolution. Due to a lack of available funds, the initial installation of the FY 2007 CSP annual payment was capped at the FY 2006 contract disbursement level. This was accomplished by a script in ProTracts which added a negative contract item to reduce the FY 2007 payment to the FY 2006 disbursement amount. This item was identified as CRL - Continuing Resolution Limit on Form NRCS-1245 of each applicable contract.

In April 2007, NRCS received a second apportionment and processed a CRLP calculated at 44 percent of the CRL item. This supplemental payment was to be completed by June 15, 2007.

States will immediately take actions to complete the final Conservation Security Program (CSP) Continuing Resolution Limit (CRL) payments by **August 31, 2007**.

Explanation. An additional apportionment request for CSP has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). A script in ProTracts will add a final CRLP item to be generated on Form NRCS-1245 to offset the balance of the original negative CRL item. This will be the final adjustment to the contracts which were reduced by the Continuing Resolution Limit. This final CRLP will be calculated as the difference between the original CRL item and the initial CRLP item. When all items are certified and approved for payment, all CSP participants will receive 100 percent of their 2007 contract obligations.

To expedite processing of this supplemental payment, if the CRLP item is the only item on Form NRCS-1245, the participant signature will not be required. However, if other contract items are certified for payment on Form NRCS-1245 along with the CRLP item, participant practice certification signatures are required as per 440-Conservation Programs Manual, Part 512, Section 512.60.

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