CORE4 CONSERVATION PRACTICES: THE COMMON SENSE APPROACH TO NATURAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION

Purpose. To distribute hard copy and CD of CORE4 conservation practices reference material.

Effective Date: Effective upon receipt.

The purpose of this reference material is to enhance the technical knowledge of the Natural Resources Conservation Service personnel and their colleagues in both the public and private sector and to assist them in helping landowners effectively use conservation tillage, nutrient management, pest management, and the conservation buffer practices. These key practices, referred to as the CORE4 by the Conservation Technology Information Center, will significantly reduce non-point sources of pollution from cropland when applied as a system. These few practices do not, however, eliminate consideration of other practices or systems designed to protect the natural resources related to cropland agriculture.

Filing Instructions: The CORE4 reference material is to be placed in a 3-ring binder and labeled with the appropriate Technical Note No., and placed near other technical reference documents, such as the Field Office Technical Guide. The compact disk should be placed inside the front cover of the 3-ring binder.

File this in the Agronomy section of the Technical Notes, Section VI of the Technical Guide.