

<p>ID Supplement 515.62 b Eligible Land – Irrigation History</p>	<p>1. The following methods are acceptable for determining irrigation history in 2 of the last 5 years.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A review of the past 5 years Farm Services Agency (FSA) compliance photography showing that the land was irrigated. Delineation of actual acres irrigated should be completed and documented. • A signed affidavit by a non-relative and not a participant in the contract detailing the years, location and extent of irrigation waters applied on the land in question. • Personal knowledge of a NRCS staff member regarding the irrigation history of the land in question. • Other documentation such as plant species, crops, or an existing irrigation system that provides evidence of irrigation 2 of the last 5 years. <p>2. The acreage of land determined to have an irrigation history 2 out of the last 5 years will include only that acreage that received the benefit of the irrigation waters. Example: If a producer applied irrigation waters to a field, but due to poor irrigation practices only 25 percent of field was affected, only 25 percent of the field may be considered to have an irrigation history. Applying irrigation water to the top of a 100 acre field does not create an irrigation history for the full 100 acres if water only provided benefits to the top 25 acres.</p> <p>3. If irrigation did not take place on a field due to lack of available irrigation waters (drought), but land has an irrigation history of 2 out of the last 5 years prior to drought conditions, the history prior to the drought may be considered. Documentation that irrigation water was not available due to drought conditions must be recorded. Acceptable documentation could include a letter from the water master or irrigation district.</p>
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