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## KANSAS BULLETIN NO. KS210-13-4

### SUBJECT: ENG—National Inventory of Dams Data

**Purpose.** To provide guidance on the requirements to furnish completion data to the state office concerning dams that meet inventory-size dam criteria of the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and the Kansas Department of Agriculture, Division of Water Resources (DWR)

**Expiration Date.** September 30, 2014

NRCS maintains an inventory of dams that have been constructed with financial or technical assistance as required by [National Engineering Manual \(NEM\), Section 520.21](#). A dam that is designed and constructed in accordance with [Conservation Practice Standard 378, Pond](#), is an inventory-size dam and must have [Form KS-ENG-65, Dam Inventory Input](#), completed if it meets the following definition:

- 25 feet or more in overall height and with effective storage capacity of more than 15 acre-feet.
- Greater than 6 feet in overall height and with effective storage capacity of 50 acre-feet or more.

This structure also meets the revised definition of a dam by DWR but does not require a permit to construct unless the total height is greater than 30 feet or the storage capacity is greater than 125 acre-feet. The state office will report these dams to DWR to verify that a construction permit is not required.

NRCS field and area staff involved with the design and construction of these non-project inventory-size dams must follow the policy outlined in [NEM, Section KS520.21\(g\)](#) by completing [Form KS-ENG-65](#) and sending it to the state conservation engineer as outlined in [NEM, Section KS520.21\(i\)](#). The state office will then send this information to DWR for their records, and DWR will assign an identification number to be used for the inventory of dams.

Each assistant state conservationist for field operations (ASTC-FO) will ensure that this policy on inventory-size dams is carried out by management units and field offices.

**Contact:** Any questions or concerns on these requirements should be addressed to Ed Radatz, Hydraulic Engineer, at 785-823-4530 or [ed.radatz@ks.usda.gov](mailto:ed.radatz@ks.usda.gov)

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