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Pacific Islands Area Technical Note Announcement PI-58

SUBJECT: PIA Conservation Planning Technical Note 7 and Water Quality Technical Note 14

Instructions.

Please refer to the following table for a description of the specific document released. The document has been posted to Pacific Islands Area Technical Notes site and is available for viewing and printing online at: http://www.pia.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/PIA_TechnicalNotes.html.

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The following is a description of the document being released:

Document	Description
1. Announcement PI-58	New Announcement PI-58.
2. PI Announcements Index	Revised Announcements Index.
3. Conservation Planning Technical Note 7 - Toe Step, Transects & Fixed Radius Plots for Vegetation Inventory	This Technical Note provides guidance for conducting vegetation inventory for all types of vegetation in PIA, including forages, herbs, shrubs and trees This tech note is meant to supersede and replace both Forestry/Agroforestry tech note 12 as well as the former Range & Pasture tech note 6, the latter which was previously pulled back.
3. Water Quality Technical Note 14 – Risk Evaluation of Commonly Used Pesticides	When pesticides are used to as a part of a conservation practice, NRCS has a responsibility to evaluate the risk of those pesticides to resource concerns. In an effort to streamline the planning and risk analysis process, Water Quality Tech Note 14 provides the risk assessment results of some commonly used pesticides. This will prevent planners from having to repeatedly running Win-PST for pesticides which are included in Tech Note 14.


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