

the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of FSIS' estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the method and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques, or other forms of information technology. Comments may be sent to both FSIS, at the addresses provided above, and the Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Washington, DC 20253.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

##### Natural Resources Conservation Service

[Docket No. NRCS-2023-0013]

##### Proposed Revisions to the National Handbook of Conservation Practices for the Natural Resources Conservation Service

**AGENCY:** Natural Resources Conservation Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability, request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is revising specific conservation practice standards in the National Handbook of Conservation Practices (NHCP). This notice provides an overview of the planned changes and gives the public an opportunity to offer comments on the proposed changes to the specific conservation practice standards.

**DATES:** We will consider comments that we receive by July 31, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** We invite you to submit comments in response to this notice. You may submit your comments through one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRCS-2023-0013. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

- *Mail or Hand Delivery:* National Agricultural Engineer, Conservation Engineering Division, NRCS, USDA, 1400 Independence Avenue, South Building, Room 4636, Washington, DC 20250. In your comment, please specify the Docket ID NRCS-2023-0013.

All comments received will be made publicly available on <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Copies of the proposed revised standards are available through <http://www.regulations.gov> by accessing Docket No. NRCS-2023-0013. Alternatively, the proposed revised standards can be downloaded or printed from <https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/getting-assistance/conservation-practices>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. William Reck at (202) 720-4485, or by email at [bill.reck@usda.gov](mailto:bill.reck@usda.gov). Individuals who require alternative means for communication should contact the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Target Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

NRCS plans to revise the conservation practice standards in NHCP. This notice provides an overview of the planned changes and gives the public an opportunity to offer comments on the specific conservation practice standards and NRCS's proposed changes.

NRCS State Conservationists who choose to adopt these practices in their states will incorporate these practices into the respective electronic Field Office Technical Guide. These practices may be used in conservation systems that treat highly erodible land (HEL) or on land determined to be wetland. Section 343 of the Federal Agriculture

Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104–127) requires NRCS to make available for public review and comment all proposed revisions to conservation practice standards used to carry out HEL and wetland provisions of the law.

#### Revisions to NHCP

The extent of the proposed changes varies considerably for each of the conservation practice standards addressed in this notice. To fully understand the proposed changes, individuals are encouraged to compare these changes with each current standard, which can be found at: <https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/resources/guides-and-instructions/conservation-practice-standards>.

NRCS is requesting comments on the following conservation practice standards:

- Fish Raceway or Tank (Code 398);
- Irrigation Pipeline (Code 430);
- Stripcropping (Code 585); and
- Woody Residue Treatment (Code 384).

The following paragraphs highlight some of the proposed changes to each standard.

**Fish Raceway or Tank (Code 398):** The revised standard expands the practice purposes to include treatment of effluents before release into receiving waters as well as assessment and planning for increased system efficiency to conserve energy use. The revised standard makes clear that it applies to the production of aquatic organisms in general, and not just finfish. We added additional component details for flow-through systems to the “Criteria” section for waste (effluent) management. We removed the species-specific water quality requirements for the two species listed and replaced them with references to land-grant university requirements. We added new content to the “Considerations” section to provide options for recirculating aquaculture system approaches that minimize water use and permit secondary use of wastewater (such as in aquaponics systems). Also, in the “Considerations” section, we added an additional evaluation of the effects of water withdrawal on native aquatic organisms. Finally, we made minor revisions throughout the standard to improve readability, and references were updated based on literature review.

**Irrigation Pipeline (Code 430):** We made minor rewording edits throughout the standard to improve readability. We added maximum permitted surge for a high-density polyethylene (HDPE) pipe to the “Flexible conduit design” subsection. We added a new subsection

to address protection of pipeline and appurtenances was added to the “Considerations” section. We updated the “Additional Considerations for Economics” subsection to include the collapsible lay flat tubing application, replacement of which is considered operation and maintenance. We updated the “Additional Considerations for Water Quality and Quantity” subsection to include impacts to downstream drinking water and drought mitigation; we also updated references were also updated.

**Stripcropping (Code 585):** We edited the “Definition,” “Criteria,” and “Considerations” sections of the standard for clarity. We added a reference to the use of the “Implementation Requirement” document to the “Plans and Specifications” section.

**Woody Residue Treatment (Code 384):** We reduced the practice life span to 1 year and refined the “Purpose” section. We removed two purposes and combined two other purposes. We modified the burning criteria to follow the “Prescribed Burning” (Code 338). We refined the “Considerations,” “Plans and Specifications,” and “Operation and Maintenance” sections, and updated references.

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## COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

### Notice of Public Meeting of the Florida Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights

**AGENCY:** U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act, that the Florida Advisory Committee (Committee) to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights will hold a public meeting via Zoom at 2:00 p.m. ET on Monday, July 17, 2023. The purpose of the meeting is to continue discussing the draft report on voting rights in the state. Members of the public may request a copy of the draft report in advance of the meeting. To do so, please email Liliana Schiller, Support Services Specialist, at [lschiller@usccr.gov](mailto:lschiller@usccr.gov).

**DATES:** Monday, July 17, 2023, from 2:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held via Zoom.

**Registration Link (Audio/Visual):** <https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1613385197>.

**Join by Phone (Audio Only):** (833) 435–1820 USA Toll-Free; Meeting ID: 161 338 5197.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** David Mussatt, Designated Federal Officer, at [dmussatt@usccr.gov](mailto:dmussatt@usccr.gov) or (312) 353–8311.