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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bill Reck, National Environmental Engineer, Conservation Engineering Division, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service, 1400 Independence Avenue Southwest, South Building, Room 6136, Washington, DC 20250.

Electronic copies of the proposed revised standards are available through <http://www.regulations.gov> by accessing Docket No. NRCS–2017–0001.

Alternatively, copies can be downloaded or printed from the following Web site: <http://go.usa.gov/TXye>. Requests for paper versions or inquiries may be directed to Emil Horvath, National Practice Standards Review Coordinator, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Central National Technology Support Center, 501 West Felix Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76115.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The amount 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 standard's current version as shown at http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detailfull/national/technical/cp/ncps/?cid=nrcs143_026849. To aid in this comparison, following are highlights of some of the proposed revisions to each standard:

Anaerobic Digester (Code 366)—Revised language as needed to improve readability and clarify intent in criteria. “Conditions Where Practice Applies” section was updated and two items were removed. Provided additional information on the use of open and closed flares. Updated the safety section.

Contour Farming (Code 330)—The contour farming definition was changed to read “Aligning ridges, furrows, and roughness formed by tillage, planting and other operations at a grade near the

contour to alter the velocity or the direction of water flow.” Added the resource concern linked to each purpose. Under “general criteria” made changes to the wording on minimum and maximum row grades and lowered the allowable deviation of row grade within 50 feet of a stable outlet. Changed requirements under “plans and specifications.”

Crosswind Ridges (Code 588)—The crosswind ridges standard was reviewed and updated to reflect current agency policy and science. Each “purpose” has the resource concern linked. Minor word edits were made to clarify criteria. In “references,” updated the Wind Erosion Prediction System reference.

Dam (Code 402)—The agency updated criteria and added references. Other changes improved the clarity of language used in the standard.

Mulching (Code 484)—The mulching standard was reviewed and updated to reflect current agency policy and science. The “definition” was changed with the reference to “materials produced offsite” removed. Each “purpose” has the resource concern linked. Under “general criteria applicable to all purposes,” a paragraph was added to remove synthetic mulches and to not incorporate them into the soil. The percentage of ground cover to reduce potential evaporation was increased and two new references were added.

Pond Sealing or Lining—Geomembrane or Geosynthetic Clay Liner (Code 521)—Title changed from “Pond Sealing or Lining—Flexible Membrane” to “Pond Sealing or Lining—Geomembrane or Geosynthetic Clay Liner” to better reflect the current industrial standard nomenclature. Practice Standard Code changed from 521A to 521. Units changed from “Number” to “Square Feet” to better represent the quantity of the practice installed. HDPE liner thickness changed from 40 mil to 60 mil.

Stream Crossing (Code 578)—The purpose of this standard has been modified to only address resource concerns. Criteria listed as considerations was moved to the appropriate criteria section. Language has been simplified to better coordinate CPS 578 with other conservation practices, policy, and procedures by cross-referencing, instead of reiteration.

Strip-Cropping (Code 585)—The strip-cropping standard was reviewed and updated to reflect current agency policy and science. Each “purpose” has the resource concern linked. Minor word edits were made to clarify criteria. Under “general criteria,” added “Design the row grades with positive row

drainage of not less than 0.2 percent on slopes where ponding is a concern. This would include sites with soils with slow to very slow infiltration rates (soil hydrologic groups C or D), or where crops are sensitive to ponded water.” In “references,” updated the Wind Erosion Prediction System, and added a reference for the Water Erosion Prediction Project.

Structure for Water Control (Code 587)—The agency updated criteria and added references. Other changes improved the clarity of language used in the standard.

Water and Sediment Control Basin (Code 638)—Revised language as needed to improve readability and clarify intent of criteria. Topsoil criteria and the auxiliary spillway portion of the outlet criteria were moved to the considerations section since these are not always required. Added criteria for embankment foundation preparation.

Waste Recycling (Code 633)—Language changes were made in the definition, conditions where practice applies and criteria to clarify the purpose of the standard and how it is to be used.

Waste Treatment Lagoon (Code 359)—The document has been revised extensively. Those revisions include modifications to align the structural design requirements to align with changes to the Waste Storage Structure Standard. These changes include changes in accepted concrete and timber design criteria, modification of language for storage requirements to improve clarity, modify language to conform to the Plain Language Act, improvements to the safety criteria, changing the requirement of a staff gauge from optional to required, and improvements to the “Plans and Specifications,” and “Operation and Maintenance” sections of the standard. Other changes have been made to improve the clarity of the language used in the standard.

Signed this 24th day of May, 2017, in Washington, DC.

Leonard Jordan,

Acting Chief, Natural Resources Conservation Service.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Notice of Public Meetings of the Kansas Advisory Committee To Discuss Next Steps in the Committee's Study of Civil Rights and School Funding in Kansas

AGENCY: Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Announcement of 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 Kansas Advisory Committee (Committee) will hold meetings on Friday, July 28, 2017, and Thursday September 7, 2017 at 3 p.m. Central time. The Committee will begin discussion and preparations to hold a public hearing as part of their current study on civil rights and school funding in the state.

DATES: These meetings will take place on Friday, July 28, 2017, and Thursday, September 7, 2017, at 3 p.m. Central time.

Public Call Information

- Friday July 28, 2017: Dial: 800-967-7185, Conference ID: 3532368
- Thursday September 7, 2017: Dial: 877-718-5106, Conference ID: 7020808

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Melissa Wojnaroski, DFO, at mwojnaroski@usccr.gov or (312) 353-8311.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Members of the public can listen to these discussions. These meetings are available to the public through the above call in numbers. Any interested member of the public may call this number and listen to the meeting. An open comment period will be provided to allow members of the public to make a statement as time allows. The conference call operator will ask callers to identify themselves, the organization they are affiliated with (if any), and an email address prior to placing callers into the conference room. Callers can expect to incur regular charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, according to their wireless plan. The Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Callers will incur no charge for calls they initiate over land-line connections to the toll-free telephone number. Persons with hearing impairments may also follow the proceedings by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-977-8339 and providing the Service with the conference call number and conference ID number.

Members of the public are also entitled to submit written comments; the comments must be received in the regional office within 30 days following the meeting. Written comments may be mailed to the Regional Programs Unit, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 55 W. Monroe St., Suite 410, Chicago, IL

60615. They may also be faxed to the Commission at (312) 353-8324, or emailed to Corrine Sanders at csanders@usccr.gov. Persons who desire additional information may contact the Regional Programs Unit at (312) 353-8311.

Records generated from this meeting may be inspected and reproduced at the Regional Programs Unit Office, as they become available, both before and after the meeting. Records of the meeting will be available via www.facadatabase.gov under the Commission on Civil Rights, Kansas Advisory Committee link (<http://www.facadatabase.gov/committee/meetings.aspx?cid=249>). Click on “meeting details” and then “documents” to download. Persons interested in the work of this Committee are directed to the Commission’s Web site, <http://www.usccr.gov>, or may contact the Regional Programs Unit at the above email or street address.

Agenda

Welcome and Roll Call
Civil Rights in Kansas: School funding
Future Plans and Actions
Public Comment
Adjournment

Dated: June 19, 2017.

David Mussatt,
Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.
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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Sunshine Act Meeting Notice

AGENCY: United States Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Notice of Commission Telephonic Business Meeting.

DATES: Thursday, June 29, 2017, at 12:00 p.m. EST.

ADDRESSES: Meeting to take place by telephone.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brian Walch, (202) 376-8371, publicaffairs@usccr.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This business meeting is open to the public by telephone only. Participant Access Instructions: Dial in 5-10 minutes prior to the start time using the phone number and Conference Passcode below.

Listen Only, Toll Free: 1 (888) 318-7469; Conference ID: 897-2138.

Persons with hearing impairments: Please contact the above about how to access the Federal Relay Service for the meeting.

Meeting Agenda

- I. Approval of Agenda
- II. Program Planning
 - Vote on November 13th as Commission Business Meeting
 - Vote on 2017 Statutory Enforcement Report “Targeted Fines and Fees against Low-Income Communities of Color: Civil Rights and Constitutional Implications.”
- V. Adjourn Meeting.

Dated: June 20, 2017,

Brian Walch,
Director of Communications and Public Engagement.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Telecommunications and Information Administration

First Responder Network Authority

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Revised National Environmental Policy Act Procedures and Categorical Exclusions

AGENCY: First Responder Network Authority, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet) publishes this notice to request comments on proposed revisions to its procedures for implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), categorical exclusions, and related extraordinary circumstances. Pursuant to Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations, FirstNet is soliciting comments on its proposed revisions to its NEPA implementing procedures from members of the interested public. Additionally, in this notice, FirstNet is providing a synopsis of the proposed changes to its NEPA implementing procedures and categorical exclusions to assist the public in reviewing those changes.

DATES: Comments due on or before July 24, 2017.

ADDRESSES: The public is invited to submit written comments to FirstNet’s proposed revisions to its NEPA implementing procedures, categorical exclusions, and related extraordinary circumstances. Written comments may