

For: County Offices

Revised EQIP Manual – 440-V-CPM – Dated June 1, 2004

Approved by: State Executive Director



1 Overview

A Background

The EQIP program policy, contained in Manual 440-V-CPM, First Addition, Amendment 1, Part 515, has been the source of EQIP policy since February 1999. The 2002 Farm Bill realigned some of the EQIP responsibilities for FSA and NRCS. Subsequent to the signing of the Farm Bill on May 13, 2002, EQIP procedures in 440-V-CPM, First Edition, Amendment 1, has been utilized as base policy supplemented by yearly Memorandum of Agreements between FSA and NRCS with emphasis that a revised 440-V-CPM would be forthcoming. NRCS recently completed the revised 440-V-CPM.

B Purpose

This notice provides the web site to review and reference the 440-V-CPM, Part 515, for EQIP.

2 County Office Action

A Revised EQIP Manual Access

The revised EQIP manual, 440-V-CPM, dated June 1, 2004, has been posted on the NRCS web site. The handbook will not be duplicated and distributed for counties, at this time, due to some technical issues related to printing and content.

The revised manual was effective May 28, 2004, and shall be referenced by counties for all EQIP policy procedure. The CONSV notice series and handbook 2-CONSV shall be referenced for EQIP automated processes.

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2 County Office Action (continued)

A Revised EQIP Manual Access (continued)

Complete the following steps to access the EQIP manual, 440-V-CPM, Part 515.

1. Go to the NRCS web site at <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/eqip/>
2. Scroll down the page to heading, "Additional Information"
3. Click on Policy – 440-V-CPM, Part 515
4. Open each subpart, then each subsection you are referencing.

B FSA Specific Areas of Responsibility

The following table provides some sections of the 440-V-CPM, Part 515, specific to FSA responsibilities. The listing is not all inclusive.

Section	Description
515.22 e & f	FSA COC and COF Responsibilities
515.51 – 515.54	Appeals
515.61	Producer Eligibility
515.72	CCC Funding Requirements
515.80	Applications
515.83	Processing Applications
515.102	Payment Limitation
515.117 – 515.119	Payment Procedures