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Environmental Quality Programs 1-EQ (Revision 1)	Amendment 3
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Approved by: Acting Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs



Amendment Transmittal

A Reason for Amendment

Based on 36 CFR 800 provisions, Exhibit 30 has been amended to categorize FLP actions into the following 2 categories:

- “Category 1” actions that do **not** require SHPO/THPO consultation
- “Category 3” actions that require SHPO/THPO consultation.

Note: SEC’s shall ensure that all applicable FLP employees are notified of the changes.

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Listing of FSA Actions by Category of Undertaking

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	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Loan Making Division			
Direct and Guaranteed Loans			
Farm Ownership			
Closing costs.	X		
Construction, addition to existing structure, if over 50 years old.			X
Construction, disturbed areas. <u>1/</u>	X		
Construction, undisturbed areas.			X
Conservation Easements.	X		
Develop farmland.			X
Enlarge existing farm.	X		
Farmland purchase, new ground disturbance planned.			X
Farmland purchase, no new ground disturbance planned.	X		
Irrigation/wells.			X
Improve/repair, structures 50 years old or older.			X
Improve/repair, structures under 50 years old.	X		
Refinance debt.	X		
Replacement buildings, if original are over 50 years old.			X
Operating Loans			
Annual operating costs (seed, livestock, equipment, insurance, etc.) with no construction/demolition in plan including 7-year equipment loans. <u>2/</u>	X		
Annual operating costs, including construction or demolition.			X
Closing Costs			
Drain tile replacement.	X		
Family subsistence/living expense.	X		
Fencing.	X		
Labor.	X		
Refinancing debt.	X		
Trees (bare roots), perennial planting.	X		
Trees (large root balls), perennial planting.			X
Emergency Loan Assistance			
Living expenses.	X		
Production costs with no construction or demolition.	X		
Production costs, including construction or demolition.			X
Refinance debt.	X		
Reorganize farm operations.	X		
Restore/replace property, if over 50 years old.			X
Youth Project Loans			
Income producing projects.	X		

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Listing of FSA Actions by Category of Undertaking (Continued)

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Loan Servicing and Property Management			
Conservation easement/contract with no construction.	X		
Conservation easement/contract with construction.			*--X--*
Debt set-aside.	X		
Deferral.	X		
Interest assistance for guaranteed loans.	X		
Inventory property disposal with easements/covenants.	X		
Inventory property disposal without protective easements/covenants.			*--X--*
Loan consolidation.	X		
--Partial Release--			
Reamortization.	X		
Rescheduling debt.	X		
Restructuring.	X		
Subordination, new ground disturbance planned, or new construction planned.			*--X--*
Subordination, no new ground disturbance planned, or no new construction planned. <u>3/</u>	X		
Transfer/assumption.	*--X--*		
Writing down debt.	X		
Price Support Division			
Farm Storage Facility Loan Program			
Storage facility, added capacity. <u>4/</u>	X		
Storage facility, disturbed areas. <u>5/</u>	X		
Storage facility, undisturbed areas.			X
Marketing Assistance Loans and Loan Deficiency Payments	*--X--*		
Cotton Loan and Loan Deficiency Payments	X		
Sugar Program	X		
Trade Adjustment Assistance Program	X		
Conservation and Environmental Programs Division <u>6/</u>			
Animal control damage devices.		X	
Animal trails, crossing facilities and walkways.		X	
Annual food plots.	X		
Breaking tiles.		X	
Bridges.		X	
Chute.			X
Clean tilling firebreaks.	X		
Construction of structures.			X
Contour grass strips.	X		
Critical area planting.		X	
Dam/diversion.			X
Dam/floodwater retarding.			X
Dam/multiple purpose.			X

Listing of FSA Actions by Category of Undertaking (Continued)

	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Conservation and Environmental Programs Division 6/ (Continued)			
Debris removal, no new ground disturbance.	X		
Debris removal, new ground disturbance.		X	
Dike.			X
Ditch.			X
Diversion.			X
Drainage system.		X	
Drop spillway.			X
Earthmoving for dam, levee, dugout, dike.			X
Eligible and suitable plantings.	X		
Eligible seed purchase.	X		
Establish/maintain wildlife food plot.	X		
Excavation.			X
Fence, install.	X		
Fence, repair.	X		
Fence, replace.	X		
Filterstrips.		X	
Forb planting.	*-X-*		
Grading, leveling, shaping, filling, previously disturbed area.	X		
Grading, leveling, shaping, filling, not previously disturbed area.			*-X-*
Grade stabilization structure.			X
Grading, leveling, shaping, filling, previously disturbed area.	X		
Grading, leveling, shaping, filling, not previously disturbed area.			*-X-*
Grafting or similar practices.	X		
Grassed waterway.		X	
Grass planting.	X		
Herbicide purchase/application.	X		
Hillside ditches.			X
Insecticide purchase/application.	X		
Irrigation canal or lateral.			X
Irrigation field ditch.			X
Irrigation land leveling.			X
Irrigation pit or regulating reservoir.			X
Irrigation storage reservoir.			X
Irrigation structure.			X

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Conservation and Environmental Programs Division 6/ (Continued)			
Irrigation system/sprinkler.		X	
Irrigation system/surface and subsurface.		X	
Irrigation system/tailwater recovery.		X	
Irrigation system/trickle (drip).		X	
Irrigation water conveyance/ditch and canal lining.		X	
Irrigation water conveyance/pipeline.		X	
Land smoothing.			X
Legume planting.	X		
Line waterway or outlet.		X	
Lining.		X	
Living snow fences.	X		
Livestock crossing facilities.		X	
Mineral purchase/application.	X		
Mulching.	X		
Netting for hardwoods.	X		
Nutrient management.	X		
Obstruction removal.			X
Other vegetation for habitat, food, or cover planting.	X		
Outlet.			X
Pasture and hayland planting.	X		
Permanent native grasses.	X		
Permanent water source for wildlife.		X	
Pipe.			X
Pipe drop.			X
Pipeline.		X	
Pipelines, watering facilities.		X	
Plastic tubes for hardwoods.	X		
Plastic mulch.	X		
Plowing deep.			X
Pond.			X
Pond sealing and lining.	X		
Pumped well drain.		X	
Riparian buffers.		X	
Roads.			X
Rock filled infiltration trenches.		X	
Rock barrier.		X	
Sediment basin.			X
Sediment structure.			X
Seedbed preparation, seeding.	X		

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Conservation and Environmental Programs Division 6/ (Continued)			
Seeding.	X		
Seeding, approved shrubs and trees.	X		
Seeding firebreaks, fuelbreaks, firelanes.	X		
Seeps.		X	
Shelterbelts.		X	
Shrub planting, seedlings.	X		
Site preparation.			X
Slope chiseling.		X	
Sod waterway.		X	
Spring development.			X
Structures, pipe, flashboard risers, gates, chutes, outlets.			X
Structure, water control.			X
Subsurface drain.		X	
Supplemental drip irrigation.	X		
Surface drainage/field ditch.			X
Surface roughening.	X		
Temporary cover.	X		
Temporary food plots.	X		
Temporary supplemental irrigation systems.		X	
Terrace.			X
Tree tubes, shelters.	X		
Tree planting, bare root.	X		
Tree planting, root ball.		X	
Trough or tank.		X	
Underground outlet.			X
Vertical drain.			X
Waste storage facility.			X
Waste treatment lagoon.			X
Water gaps.			X
Water harvesting catchment.			X
Water recovery system.		X	
Water storage facility.		X	
Water, sediment control basin.			X
Waterway.		X	
Well.			X
Wetland restoration.			X
Wildlife watering facility.	X		
Windbreak/shelterbelt renovation.		X	

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	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Production, Emergencies and Compliance Division			
Non-Insured Crop Disaster Assistance Program	X		
Agricultural Marketing Transition Act (AMTA)	X		
Crop Disaster Program	X		
Disaster Indemnity Programs	X		
Aquaculture Grant Program	X		
Program Development and Economic Enhancement Division	X		
Procurement and Donations Division	X		
Kansas City Commodity Office	X		
Warehouse and Inventory Division	X		

- 1/ Disturbed ground is any area that has had previous agricultural use or construction including areas with farm buildings. The disturbance usually goes to the bottom of the plow zone or depth of previous construction.
- 2/ If the equipment loan is for irrigation equipment, then Section 106 review is required.
- 3/ Disturbed ground is any area that has had previous agricultural use or construction including areas with farm buildings. The disturbance usually goes to the bottom of the plow zone or depth of previous construction.
- 4/ Adding capacity to a single, existing structure, with no additional new ground disturbance or demolition to structures 50 years old or older.
- 5/ Disturbed ground is any area that has had previous agricultural use or construction including areas with farm buildings. The disturbance usually goes to the bottom of the plow zone or depth of previous construction.
- 6/ Includes all CEPD activities including CREP, CRP, ECP, FWP, and GRP.

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