

MDA BMP Functional Equivalent Review

NEXT STEPS

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Example of Field Inventory and Fencing BMP Identified for Reporting

Practice	Unit	Total Units Identified on Farm	Meeting NRCS Standard	Meets MDA FE Standard	Need work to meet NRCS or FE Standard
382 Fencing	Ft	27,000	5,000 (Wooden Post-Barb and Woven Wire-Boundary Fence on road)	20,000 (2 Strand High Ten. Elect-On stream)	2,000 (Elect – 1 strand needs repair – On stream)

Next Steps

- **Assumption from July 2013 AgWG Meeting:**
All approved FE practices will receive the same effectiveness ratings but potentially more intensive management or frequency of reviews of practice.
- **Steps to Review:**
 - Review FE and NRCS practice standards and FE worksheets with technical specialist. Is FE standard definitive and will employees know when a FE may be reported or when it won't meet the FE standard? (What is the minimum standard)?
 - Make changes to Verification Manual, Contrack and NEIEN systems if needed.
 - Conduct training of all employees who will be reporting or verifying FE practices

382FE Livestock Fencing Review

Name	Reporting Amount	NRCS Standard	Reporting Amount	How Different from NRCS Standard	Definition	Purpose	Conditions where apply	Criteria	O& M	Supporting Data/Doc	Minimum Standard
382FE Livestock Fencing	Feet	Fence	Feet	?????	Constructed Barrier for animals	Prevent livestock access to sensitive areas	Prevent access to sensitive areas, can be a natural barrier	Min. Width 10' next to water body, may need other structures	3 years	Worksheet/Doc on Plan Map	?????

What to review: (peach color need more information or review)

- 1) Name- same as NRCS standard or not.
- 2) Units of measure
- 3) How different from NRCS- need good description of why not a 382.
(Definition/Purpose, Conditions, Criteria)
- 4) Criteria- any design specifications (ex. widths and lengths)
- 5) O&M how often re- reviewed
- 6) Documentation- Worksheet Questions (ex. All Yes's to count, pictures,etc).

Questions?