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This policy applies to certifying the practices Nutrient Management/Waste Utilization (590/633) and Pest Management (595) as found in the Electronic Field Office Technical Guide (eFOTG) located in Section IV of the eFOTG, as well as Technical Service Provider (TSP) practice codes 911 (Design), 912 (Installation), and 913 (Checkout).

- a) Nutrient Management/Waste Utilization Plans (NMP) or Pest Management Plans (PMP) provide the technical specifications to implement 590/633 or 595 according to NRCS standards:
 - (1) The NMP or PMP should be delivered to the producer prior to the final nutrient or pesticide application of the first crop year the practice is scheduled. If the NMP or PMP are delivered to the producer after the final nutrient or pesticide application, then implementation of 590/633 or 595 will be scheduled for the following crop year when the plan can be followed.
- b) Following is a timeline for developing NMPs and PMPs and the required documentation to certify that the 590/633 and 595, and 911, 912, and 913 TSP practices meet NRCS standards.
 - (1) **Year 1 Plan Development (practice 911):** NMP or PMP is delivered to the producer prior to the final nutrient or pesticide application for the first crop year.
 - (a) Required documentation to certify the 911 service meets NRCS Standards.
 - (i) Deliverables in the Statement of Work for 590/633 or 595 (eFOTG), **OR**
 - (i) Completion of Plan Development Checklist(s) by a TSP or Certified Specialist.
 1. NRCS is not required to review plans nor keep copies of the plans developed by certified TSPs.
 - (2) **Years 1, 2, & 3 Implementation (practices 590/633, 595, 912 & 913):** Producer applies nutrients or pesticides according to the NMP or PMP.
 - (a) **Year 1 – 590/633 or 595** Standards are met when the producer verifies that their final nutrient or pesticide application for the first crop year followed their NMP or PMP.
 - (i) Required documentation:
 1. Submittal of nutrient or pesticide application records to NRCS.
 - a. The Purdue Crop Production Recordkeeping System (PPP-18) or equivalent can be used as the record keeping system - <http://www.btny.purdue.edu/Pubs/PPP/PPP-18.pdf>
 - OR**
 1. Completion of Implementation Checklist(s) by a TSP or Certified Specialist.
 - (b) **Year 1 – 912 or 913** Standards are met when the TSP provides Installation and Checkout to the producer to help implement their NMP or PMP.
 - (i) Required documentation:
 1. Deliverables in the Statements of Work for 590/633 or 595 (eFOTG).
 - (c) **Years 2 & 3 – 590/633 or 595** Standards are met when the producer verifies they followed the NMP or PMP for the entire crop year.
 - (i) Required documentation:
 1. Submittal of nutrient or pesticide application records to NRCS, **OR**
 1. Completion of Implementation Checklist (s) by a TSP or Certified Specialist.

For purposes of this procedure, record keeping may be considered complete prior to harvest. Current year's crop yields are not required to consider record keeping as complete