

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE

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State Office, P. O. Box 1208, Gainesville, FL 32602

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TO: Boards of District Supervisors  
State Advisory Board  
RC&D Councils and Steering Committees  
Watershed Project Sponsors

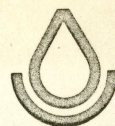
It is our policy to maintain an understanding on matters of mutual interest with organizations and groups with which the Soil Conservation Service works. In compliance with Federal law and regulations, and to keep you fully informed, we are sending you the following information.

The following nondiscrimination provision is required in agreements entered into in connection with SCS programs. Applications submitted for participation or assistance should also include the provision.

"The program conducted will be in compliance with all requirements respecting nondiscrimination as contained in the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, and the regulations of the Secretary of Agriculture (7 C.F.R. Sec. 15.1 - 15.12), which provide that no person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance from the Department of Agriculture or any agency thereof."

The above provision applies to the following documents:

1. Applications submitted in connection with watershed or resource conservation and development projects.
2. Work plan agreements, or their amendments, in connection with watershed, subwatershed, or resource conservation and development projects if such nondiscrimination provision has not already been included in the project application.
3. Watershed project and RC&D measure agreements, land rights agreements, and relocation agreements if the nondiscrimination provision has not already been included in the project application or work plan agreement.
4. Watershed project and RC&D measure agreements, land rights agreements, and relocation agreements with sponsors who were not party to the project application or work plan agreement.



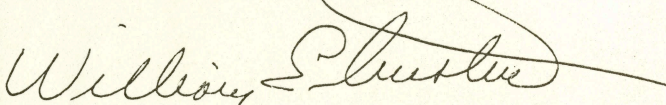


5. Basic memorandums of understanding with conservation districts or future supplemental memorandums of understanding if the provision is not included in the basic memorandum.

It is not required that existing documents or agreements not having the above provision be revised for the sole purpose of including the provision, provided that all parties concerned understand that the provision applies.

Unless a written notice to the contrary is received, the above will be considered understood and agreed to by all parties concerned.

We are not aware of any violation of the regulations referred to above, and feel confident that with a good understanding of the regulations there will be no problem.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "William E. Austin". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

William E. Austin  
State Conservationist

cc:  
Area Conservationists  
District Conservationists  
RC&D Project Coordinators