procedures for responding to customer complaints of adulterated and misbranded meat and poultry products. FSIS developed this document in response to an increase in the number of recalls of meat and poultry products contaminated with foreign materials. In many cases, the recalling establishments had received multiple customer complaints before these recalls. While FSIS specifically developed this document to address foreign material customer complaints, establishments can apply the information to other customer complaints of adulterated or misbranded products in commerce. FSIS encourages establishments that may receive customer complaints for adulterated or misbranded meat and poultry products to follow this guideline. This document does not present or describe any new regulatory requirements. This guideline represents current FSIS thinking, and FSIS will update it as necessary to reflect comments received and any additional information that becomes available.

Additional Public Notification

Public awareness of all segments of rulemaking and policy development is important. Consequently, FSIS will announce this Federal Register publication on-line through the FSIS web page located at: http://www.fsis.usda.gov/federal-register.

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Done in Washington, DC.

Carmen M. Rottenberg,
Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Natural Resources Conservation Service
Review of USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service National Conservation Practice Standards

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comment.

SUMMARY: The Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 (2018 Farm Bill) amended the Food Security Act of 1985, to require an expedited review of conservation practice standards, including engineering design specifications, that were in effect on December 19, 2018. NRCS will evaluate opportunities to increase flexibility in the conservation practice standards in a manner that ensures equivalent natural resource benefits. This notice announces that NRCS will be reviewing the national conservation practice standards in the National Handbook of Conservation Practices and is requesting comments from the public about how to improve the conservation practice standards.

DATES: We will consider comments that we received by April 25, 2019.

ADDRESSES: We invite you to submit comments on this notice. In your comments, include the volume, date, and page number of this issue of the Federal Register. You may submit your comments by the following method:


All written comments received will be publicly available on www.regulations.gov.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For specific questions related to this notice contact Bill Ruck; phone: (202) 720–4485; or email: bill.ruck@wdc.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NRCS provides technical assistance to clients through the conservation planning process. The planning process involves:

(1) Determining client goals and resource concerns (conservation needs);

(2) Developing treatment options;

(3) Recording client decisions;

(4) Implementing selected conservation treatment(s) through the application of conservation practices; and


The conservation practice standards contain information on why and where the practice is to be applied and specifies the minimum technical criteria that must be met during the application of that practice in order for it to achieve its intended purposes. Conservation practices are designed to address the treatment of natural resource concerns. NRCS conservation practice standards are based on sound science and include scientifically accepted and demonstrated technologies.

Conservation practices that have not been adequately demonstrated may be eligible for conservation innovation grants or may be implemented as interim conservation practices to gain needed field scale demonstration and establish and document natural resource benefits.

Section 2502 of the 2018 Farm Bill (Pub. L. 115–334) amends section...
COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Notice of Public Meeting of the Virginia Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Announcement of meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission), and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) that a meeting of the Virginia Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene by conference call at 12:00 p.m. (EST) on Wednesday, March 20, 2019. The purpose of the meeting is for Committee members to announce meeting date and expert presenters who will be invited to participate at the in person meeting on its civil rights project titled, Hate Crimes in VA—Incidents and Responses.

DATES: Wednesday, March 20, 2019, at 12:00 p.m. EST

Public Comment Information:

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ivy Davis at ero@usccr.gov or by phone at 202–376–7533.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Interested members of the public may listen to the discussion by calling the following toll-free conference call-in number: 1–888–394–8218 and conference call ID number: 8310490. Please be advised that before placing them into the conference call, the conference call operator will ask callers to provide their names, their organizational affiliations (if any), and email addresses (so that callers may be notified if future meetings). Callers can expect to incur charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, and the Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Callers will incur no charge for calls they initiate over land-line connections to the toll-free conference call-in number.

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Members of the public are invited to make statements during the open comment period of the meeting or submit written comments. The comments must be received in the regional office approximately 30 days after each scheduled meeting. Written comments may be mailed to the Eastern Regional Office, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 1331 Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 1150, Washington, DC 20425, faxed to (202) 376–7548, or emailed to Corrine Sanders at ero@usccr.gov. Persons who desire additional information may contact the Eastern Regional Office at (202) 376–7533.

Records and documents discussed during the meeting will be available for public viewing as they become available at: https://www.fedarchive.gov/FACA/FACAPublicViewCommitteeDetails?id=a100000001gjZXAAQ, click the “Meeting Details” and “Documents” links. Records generated from this meeting may also be inspected and reproduced at the Eastern Regional Office, as they become available, both before and after the meetings. Persons interested in the work of this advisory committee are advised to go to the Commission’s website, www.usccr.gov, or to contact the Eastern Regional Office at the above phone number, email or street address.

Agenda: Wednesday, March 20, 2019

I. Rolcall
II. Welcome
III. Project Planning
—Discuss Plans for Briefing Meeting
IV. Other Business
V. Next Meeting
VI. Open Comment
VII. Adjourn

Exceptional Circumstance: Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.150, the notice for this meeting is given less than 15 calendar days prior to the meeting because of the exceptional circumstances of the federal government shutdown.

Dated: March 6, 2019.

David Mussatt,
Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Notice of Public Meeting of the Kentucky Advisory Committee

AGENCY: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act that the Kentucky Advisory Committee will hold a meeting on Wednesday, March 21, 2019, from 3:00–4:00 p.m. to discuss School to Prison Pipeline public hearing preparation.