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DATE: October 18, 2013

TO: All Soil and Water Conservation Districts

FROM:  Colleen Meredith, Director
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SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2014 (FY14) Supplemental Cost-Share Allocation, Termination Date Extensions for Contracts Affected by the Government Shutdown, and Extension of FY15 Needs Assessment Deadline

FY14 Supplemental Cost-Share Allocation

Per memorandum 2014-004, districts with 70 percent Obligated plus Pending on the Master Fund Status Report in MoSWIMS, at close of business on October 15, 2013, were eligible for supplemental funds within each resource concern category which met the minimum requirements. The Soil and Water Conservation Program loaded supplemental cost-share allocations on October 17, 2013 into MoSWIMS. Many districts were above 90 percent obligated in multiple resource concern areas, therefore, the supplemental allocations were provided as planned to allow for continued planning and implementation of conservation practices.

The Soil and Water Districts Commission indicated that they will review the status of district contracts at the October 30, 2013 meeting, and may take further action due to interruptions caused by the government shutdown. Districts are encouraged to continue to work toward the threshold of 70 percent Obligated plus Pending prior to the Commission's consideration on October 30th.

Termination Date Extensions for Contracts Affected by the Government Shutdown

All contracts that have a termination date that expires during October 2013 may be extended administratively without signatures by the landowner and board, at the district's discretion. The district needs to work with their coordinator to have administrative change orders entered into MoSWIMS. Please be reminded that practices must be started before a termination date can be extended. A special note will be entered by program staff as these change orders are developed.

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FY15 Needs Assessment Deadline

The Needs Assessment deadline that was established in Memorandum 2014-005 has been moved from November 1, 2013 to November 25, 2013 to allow more time to gather the necessary information.

Thank you for your efforts and patience during the government shutdown. We appreciate the dedication shown by staff and boards in continuing to work as much as possible during this time. Please contact your coordinator if you have any questions.