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### MEMORANDUM

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TO: Soil and Water Conservation Districts with Active SALT Projects in FY15

FROM: *Km*  
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Soil and Water Conservation Program

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2015 (FY15) Advance SALT Cost-Share Funding

#### **FY15 Advance SALT Cost-Share Funding:**

Following past precedence, a one-time Special Area Land Treatment (SALT) advance cost-share allocation is available for districts. A board letter must be submitted to the Soil and Water Conservation Program to request FY15 funds with a deadline (postmark) of March 1, 2014. The advance allocation is limited to 15 percent of the total FY15 allocation excluding Nutrient & Pest Management and Animal Waste Management. Upon receiving the district's request, the program office will notify the district by email when the funds have been entered into MoSWIMS. After the funds are available, the district can start creating SALT contracts for FY15. The fiscal year from which funds will be obligated to a contract will be based on the termination date. If a landowner is awarded a contract utilizing FY15 funds, the landowner needs to be informed that they cannot receive payment for the practice until after July 1, 2014, regardless of when the practice is completed. The remaining FY15 SALT Allocation will be provided to the districts for use on July 1, 2014. Districts that do not request advance allocation funds will receive their entire allocation at that time.

#### **FY15 SALT Nutrient & Pest Management and Animal Waste Management Funding:**

If the district is requesting FY15 SALT funds for Nutrient Management, Pest Management, or Animal Waste practices, please include this information in your SALT advance allocation request letter. The program will provide an advance allocation of 100 percent of the estimated Nutrient Management, Pest Management, and Animal Waste Funds for FY15 contracts.

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**Districts allocated Advance FY 15 SALT Funds should note that these cost share allocations are based, in part, on the Department's proposed FY15 cost-share appropriation authority. Final funding may change depending on the Department's final FY15 appropriation authorities.**

The program hopes that this advance allocation will help landowners by increasing the available timeframe to get conservation practices on the ground; thereby increasing utilization of SALT funds and helping the district meet SALT goals.

If you have any questions, please contact Leon Thompson, SALT Coordinator, at the Howell County Satellite Office, 700 West Main, Willow Springs, MO 65793, or by phone at 417-469-0000. Thank you.

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