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SUBJECT: ADS – Freedom of Information

Purpose: To provide guidance on providing list of producers who have conservation program contracts.

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Requests have been received recently for field offices to provide names of producers who have been approved for conservation program contracts, including EQIP, WHIP, and WRP. Brigitte Beaton, National Freedom of Information Officer has provided the following guidance:

“Generally, names of producers who are awarded government contracts are considered to be public information and thus releasable to the public.”

Field offices should maintain a list of producers who have been approved for conservation program contracts. The list should contain only the names of producers. Freedom of Information requirements do not permit the release of producer’s information contained in the case file, address, or phone number.

It is suggested the list of names be maintained on a bulletin board to reduce the impact on field office personnel in responding to these types of requests. Questions concerning the release of information should be directed to Leslie R. Conner, State Freedom of Information Act Officer.

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