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OKLAHOMA BULLETIN NO. OK210-4-8

SUBJECT: ENG – Livestock Access Ramps.

Purpose: To provide a variance on livestock access ramps for flatter slopes.

Expiration Date: September 30, 2004

State engineering staff has received several requests on the Animal Trails and Walkways (575) conservation practice standard to be able to use a flatter slope for livestock access ramps. Currently the standard limits livestock access ramps to be in the slope range from 2:1 to 3:1. The Animal Trails and Walkways standard is currently being revised. When the revised standard is released, the slope range for livestock access ramps will be from 3:1 to 5:1.

Until the revised Animal Trails and Walkways standard is released, this bulletin will serve as a statewide variance allowing a slope from 3:1 to 5:1 for livestock access ramps. Attach a copy of this bulletin to any livestock ramp designs having a slope from 3:1 to 5:1 to document approval of the variance. All designs must be approved by someone having appropriate engineering job approval authority.

The revised standard will also incorporate new technology for planning and designing access ramps. Guidance on use of new procedures and tools will be provided upon release of the revised standard. If you have any questions, please contact Johnny Green, State Conservation Engineer.

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