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OKLAHOMA BULLETIN NO. OK450-4-1

SUBJECT: TCH – 2004 National Crop Residue Management Survey

Purpose: To transmit procedures for determining conservation tillage acreage for the Conservation Technology Information Center's (CTIC) National Crop Residue Management Survey.

Expiration Date: September 30, 2004

Action Required by: September 10, 2004

The National Crop Residue Management Survey will be conducted again this year. All counties will fall into one of the two following categories:

1. All counties listed on **Attachment 1** will complete the driving transect for the residue survey
- or
2. All other counties **not** listed on Attachment 1 will estimate conservation tillage acres for the residue survey

Counties doing Driving Transect Survey:

Locate the county maps that were developed for this survey in 2000 and 2002. **Texas county** will do the driving survey this spring. The rest of the counties listed in **Attachment 1** will do the survey this fall. The survey needs to be conducted after planting of the main crop or crops has been completed in the county, but before the crops become too large or cultivation has taken place. Data entry will be done on-line at the website below. Attached is the national Revised and Simplified Cropland Roadside Transect Survey, Oklahoma Guidance for the Crop Residue Survey Using The Roadside Transect Method, Collection form, and sample form for guidance.

Counties Estimating Tillage Acres:

Each county not listed in Attachment 1 will estimate tillage acres by crop as done in the past. The local Conservation District, Extension Agent, FSA, agribusinesses, or any other interested parties need to be involved in the report. The CTIC has established a website for data entry <http://www.crmsurvey.org>. Click on the 2004 Data Entry System. The site will guide you through to the data entry forms. Each field office will update their crop acreage figures and tillage acres. You will also need your FIPS county code to gain access to your county data form. You will need to enter the data entry site as the **County Coordinator**.

Sources for updating cropland acres may be obtained from FSA or the National Agriculture Statistics Service (NASS). The NASS data may be found on the following website: <http://www.nass.usda.gov/ok/>. The crop estimates can be found in the 5 Year County Estimate or the County Estimate by crop. The reports are updated around the first of July each year.

All county data must be entered on the above CTIC website by September 10, 2004. If you have any questions, please contact Ken Matlock, State Agronomist at 405.742.1241.

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Attachment

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