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MINNESOTA BULLETIN NO. 250-8-1

SUBJECT: FNM – The National Organization of Professional Black Natural Resources Conservation Service Employees (NOPBNRCSE) Training Conference

Purpose. To provide information for employee attendance at the 2007 NOPBNRCSE Annual Training Conference.

Expiration Date. November 1, 2007

RESPONSE DUE BY: OCTOBER 15, 2007

The National Organization of Professional Black Natural Resources Conservation Service Employees (NOPBNRCSE) will host its 15th Annual Training Conference in New Orleans, LA, at the Marriott New Orleans, 555 Canal Street, New Orleans, LA 70130, December 10-14, 2007. This year's theme is "Bring Conservation Back to the Bayou." The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) encourages its employees to take advantage of career development and professional enhancement opportunities through training subject to the availability of resources, agency funds, and work priorities.

Employees desiring to attend this conference should see attached bulletin; MN-360-6-46, subject: *NRCS Employees Participation in Outside Organizations* for the procedure to request participation in this event.

Supervisors must submit all employee attendance requests for STC approval for to the State Office, Attention: Charles Montgomery, no later than close of business **OCTOBER 15, 2007**. Employees approved by the STC for attendance will be notified through their supervisors, and their names will be submitted to NHQ for final approval.

The registration fee is \$300.00 and is due November 1, 2007. Registration forms and other conference information can be printed from the NOPB web page at www.nopbnrcse.org.

Reservations can be made now through November 12, 2007. You may make your reservations at The Marriott New Orleans by calling 1-504-581-1000 and identifying yourself under the group code "NOPBNRCSE."

Questions regarding attendance approval should be directed to Charles Montgomery, SAO, (651) 602-7875.

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