

COVID UPDATES FOR CDS SHARING OFFICE SPACE WITH USDA

Nationwide, USDA is setting policies to continue to limit staff and customers to undue exposure to the COVID-19 virus, while still providing some continuity of services to the public.

As of tomorrow (3/20/20), and at least through April 3, 2020:

- Doors to USDA buildings (including offices where USDA leases from CDs) must be locked. No visitors are allowed in the building.
- NRCS staff in the buildings will be limited, but field services may still be provided.
- CD staff will be allowed to work in the building but must follow guidelines provided by USDA and the state including (but not limited to) safe distances from others, hand washing, and staying home if sick.
- No meetings will be allowed to be held in the buildings. Any CD and partner meetings must either be postponed or other means of holding meetings must be sought (teleconference, Skype, Zoom, etc.)
- The district conservationists and area conservationists will be able to provide you with more specific information pertaining to continuing to serve our customers under this new and changing situation.

Please know that guidelines change daily and will likely change again.

More information regarding how to continue to meet your 310 requirements, and suggestions for other methods of meeting will be provided separately.

Thank you all for your patience, cooperation, and conscientiousness during this very crazy time.