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Subject: Field Methods—PCFF update for NWIS 4.7

If NWIS 4.7 is installed in your Water Science Center (WSC) (currently in beta test in Florida, Missouri, Mississippi, and Pennsylvania; scheduled for release beginning August 27), you will need to apply an update to PCFF to accommodate a change in the valid codes for Analysis Status (ASTAT). The only valid ASTAT codes in NWIS 4.7 are 'U' –unrestricted, 'P' –proprietary, and 'I' –internal use only.

NOTE - Do NOT apply this update unless your NWIS server is running NWIS 4.7.

The NWIS 4.7 update for PCFF can be found here:

ftp://ftpint.usgs.gov/pub/cr/co/grand.junction/PCFF_DEVELOPMENT/ReferenceListUpdate/pcff6_NWIS47Update.exe

Run the update and follow the instructions (Click on the button in the update window to make PCFF compatible with NWIS 4.7).

A major PCFF release is scheduled for the end of September. This release will include a new main form, the ability to produce multiple ASRs plus maintain ASR templates, a "Print All" feature, a quick way to enter your data into QWDATA, and other bug fixes and minor enhancements. Another WaQI Note will announce the release of the enhanced PCFF software. If NWIS 4.7 is installed in your WSC after this PCFF release, you will not have to run the update described in this Note.

If you have questions about, or problems with the update, please contact Frank Crenshaw (fccrensh; 970-245-5257 x18).

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