

**§ 15.60**

**7 CFR Subtitle A (1-1-12 Edition)**

Type of Federal Financial Assistance	Authority
90. Soil Survey .....	Sec. 1-6 and 17 of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act, as amended, 16 U.S.C. 590a-590f, 590g.
91. Rural Abandoned Mine Program .....	Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977, Sec. 406; Pub. L. 95-87, 30 U.S.C. 1236, 91 Stat. 460.
92. Resource Conservation and Development .....	Soil Conservation Act of 1935; Pub. L. 74-46; Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act; Pub. L. 75-210, as amended, Pub. L. 89-796; Pub. L. 87-703; Pub. L. 91-343; Pub. L. 92-419; Pub. L. 97-98; 95 Stat. 1213; 16 U.S.C. 590a-590f, 590g.
93. Great Plains Conservation .....	Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act, Pub. L. 74-46, as amended by the Great Plains Act of August 7, 1956; Pub. L. 84-1021, Pub. L. 86-793 approved September 14, 1980. Pub. L. 91-118 approved November 1, 1969; Pub. L. 96-263 approved June 6, 1980; 16 U.S.C. 590a-590f, 590g.

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**Subpart B [Reserved]**

**Subpart C—Rules of Practice and Procedure for Hearings, Decisions and Administrative Review Under the Civil Rights Act of 1964**

**AUTHORITY:** Sec. 602, 78 Stat. 252; 42 U.S.C. 2000d-1; sec. 15.9(d) of subpart A to 7 CFR, part 15, and laws referred to in the appendix to subpart A, part 15, title 7 CFR.

**SOURCE:** 30 FR 14355, Nov. 17, 1965, unless otherwise noted.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**§ 15.60 Scope of rules.**

The rules of practice and procedure in this subpart supplement §§15.9 and 15.10 of subpart A of this part and govern the practice for hearings, decisions, and administrative review conducted by the Department of Agriculture, pursuant to title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, section 602 (78 Stat. 252) and this part, title 7, CFR, except these rules shall not apply to any stage of a proceeding which has occurred prior to the effective date hereof.

**§ 15.61 Records to be public.**

All documents and papers filed in any proceeding under this part may be inspected and copied in the Office of the Department Hearing Clerk.

**§ 15.62 Definitions.**

All terms used in this subpart shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have the same meaning as defined in subpart A of this part.

**§ 15.63 Computation of time.**

A period of time begins with the day following the act or event and includes the last day of the period, unless it is a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday observed in the District of Columbia, in which case it shall be the following workday. When the period of time prescribed or allowed is less than 7 days, intermediate Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays shall be excluded from the computation.

**§ 15.64 Parties.**

The term *party* shall include an applicant or recipient with respect to whom the agency has issued a notice of hearing or opportunity to request a hearing in accordance with subpart A of this part and §15.81. The agency shall be deemed a party to all proceedings.

**§ 15.65 Appearance.**

Any party may appear in person or by counsel or authorized representative and participate fully in any proceeding.

**§ 15.66 Complainants not parties.**

A person submitting a complaint pursuant to §15.6 is not a party to the proceedings governed by this subpart, but may petition, after proceedings have been commenced, to become an intervener.

**§ 15.67 Intervener.**

Any interested person or organization may file a petition to intervene which will include a statement of position and a statement of what petitioner expects to contribute to the hearing, and a copy of the petition will