CATA Curricular Code Change Proposal

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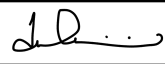
Contest:	Soil and Land Evaluation
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Issue: (Describe the reason/rationale for the proposed change.)
Removing Fresno State from the combined State Finals tabulations for the Soil and Land Evaluation Contest. This would make Cal Poly the sole State Finals contest for the Soil and Land Evaluation Career Development Event. This change was brought up amongst coaches and state staff during the judging season. Rationale: This year we have the lowest numbers of participating schools this year in the Soil and Land Evaluation CDE. Three contests have been canceled this past year, limiting the amount of practice competitions leading up to State Finals (West Hills Winter, West Hills Spring, Reedley Middle College). By eliminating Fresno State from the combines State Finals scores would provide more opportunities for students to practice and visit the Fresno State Campus for the Soil and Land Evaluation CDE. This would alleviate discrepancies in combined tabulations totals for this contest. This would increase the total number of practice contests to improve student preparation for Cal Poly State finals. Changes to be made to the Official Manual for Soil and Land Evaluation to change scorecard totals. This will align the changes made in the new Judging Card in 2022.

Please answer yes or no to ALL the questions below.

This proposal will require a contest to open out of rotation	YES
The change will affect General Rules	YES
The change will affect the awards needed.	YES
The proposed change will affect tabulations/scorecards	YES
The proposed change will affect contest forms.	NO
The proposed change will affect contest hosting site. (e.g. additional facilities, new sections, additional scoring, etc.)	YES

If you answered yes to any of the above questions, you need to include the following signatures: Click here for link to CDE Contest Advisor and Coordinator list.

CATA Approved Contest Advisor's Signature	*[signature]*
CDE Host Site Contest Coordinator's Signature	*[signature]*

If you answered yes to any of the above questions, please explain.

*It is highly recommended that you, or a representative, attend the pre-conference governing board meeting to answer any questions regarding proposed curricular code changes to contests that are requested to be opened out of rotation.

This contest is out of rotation for this calendar year. We wish to change the curricular code so that we can increase participation for 2024 State Finals due to less participating schools.

This contest will affect general rules. The only change will be the removal of Fresno State from the #1 State Finals contest.

This contest will affect awards, as Cal Poly will announce the top five teams and individuals for the Soil and Land Evaluation CDE. There is no need for combines scores.

This proposed change will require changes to tabulations for this contest, as there will be no need for combined scores.

This proposed change will affect contest hosting site, as Fresno State will not have to report tabulations to Cal Poly for combined scores.

The proposed change will align the changes with the new Judging Card scorecard and be included in the Official Soil and Land Evaluation Manual text.

Description: (Describe what is changing.)

Removing the dual-state finals for Soil and Land Evaluation will make Cal Poly the sole state finals contest. No combined scores for tabulations will be necessary. This will help improve the number of practice contests to increase student preparation.

Including the new scorecard points will streamline the previous changes in the Official Soil and Land Evaluation Manual.

Proposed CATA Code Change: (Only include the section that the proposed change pertains to – do not include the entire contest. Reference numbered section. If editing text, show new text with old text in parenthesis. For large changes, set track changes in the Word document and attach the file, with edits, to this document when submitting.)

Removal of verbiage of combined State Finals in curricular code, General Rules and the official Soil and Land Evaluation Manual. Inclusion of new point values from new Judging

Card into the official manual for Soil and Land Evaluation.

Instructions for Submitting Curricular Code Change
- Make sure the form is complete.
- Download and Submit this document as a PDF
    - Click File → Download → Download as a PDF
- If your proposal requires signatures make sure to contact the contest advisor and contest host. **Tip:** Docusign, Doc Hub are great sources for digital signature requests.
    - Click Here for contest Host and Advisor List
- Email completed Curricular Change Proposal **PDF** to cata@calagteachers.org by June 1st.

Warning: Make sure you add all the topics or concerns you would like to discuss at the Curricular Code CDE meeting. If it's not posted on the CATA Curricular Code Changes website by June 1st, it **cannot** be discussed.