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ASABE PUBLISHES A REVISED STANDARD FOR SOIL AND WATER TERMINOLOGY

ST JOSEPH, MICHIGAN— The American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers (ASABE) has revised its standard for soil and water terminology.

The new version, ASABE S526.5 MAR2025ED Soil and Water Terminology, includes an update for soil and water engineering terminology that will encourage a consistent terminological foundation for current and future use in standards, research, industry and extension. Edits were made to more than half of the terms and definitions, with 6 terms removed and 80 new terms added. The prior standard had 936 terms and the new version has a total of 1010 terms and definitions.

ASABE members with standards access and those with site-license privileges can access the full-text via electronic download on the ASABE online Technical Library at elibrary.asabe.org/. Others can obtain a download for a fee directly from the library or by contacting ASABE headquarters at OrderStandard@asabe.org.

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