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## ASABE REVISES COMPACT UTILITY TRACTOR ROPS STANDARD

ST JOSEPH, MICHIGAN— The American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers (ASABE) has revised its standard for compact utility tractor roll-over protective structures and initiated another project that would substantially redraft the document.

The revised standard, ANSI/ASAE S478.1 FEB2012, Roll-Over Protective Structures (ROPS) for Compact Utility Tractors, corrects outdated references that were noted in the most recent periodic review of the document. The standard was originally adopted by ASABE in September 1995.

The review committee has also initiated a project to undertake a comprehensive revision that will align the standard with current practices and equipment. Anyone interested in either participating in this extensive review or commenting on the proposed draft standard should contact Scott Cedarquist at ASABE, 269-932-7031, cedarq@asabe.org.

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