

TREE/SHRUB ESTABLISHMENT

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CONSERVATION PRACTICE FACT SHEET**DEFINITION**

Establishing woody plants by planting seedlings or cuttings, direct seeding, or natural regeneration.

PURPOSES

1. Establish woody plants for forest products.
2. Provide long-term erosion control and improvement of water quality.
3. Provide energy conservation.
4. Enhance aesthetics.
5. Provide wildlife habitat
6. Waste treatment.
7. Sequestration of carbon.
8. Reduction of air pollution.
9. Improve or restore natural diversity.

BENEFITS

1. Improved timber production potential and soil erosion protection.
2. Enhanced wildlife habitat, natural diversity, and aesthetics.
3. Improved air quality, waste treatment, and carbon sequestration.

WHERE PRACTICE APPLIES

On any area where woody plants are desired.

SPECIFICATIONS

Site-specific requirements are listed on the specifications sheet. Additional provisions are

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entered on the job sketch sheet. Specifications with the NRCS Field Office Technical Guide. See practice standard Tree/Shrub Establishment, code 612.

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

The following actions shall be carried out to ensure that this practice functions as intended throughout its expected life. These actions include normal repetitive activities in the application and use of the practice (operation) and repair and upkeep of the practice (maintenance).

are prepared in accordance
If needed, competing vegetation will be controlled until the woody plants are established. Noxious weeds will be controlled.

Replanting will be required when survival is inadequate.

The trees and shrubs will be inspected periodically and protected from adverse impacts including insects, diseases, competing vegetation, and damage from livestock and wildfire.