

327 – Conservation Cover Implementation Requirements

Producer:	Project or Contract:	
Location:	County:	
Farm Name:	Tract Number:	
Practice Lifespan – 5 years		
Practice Purpose(s): (check all that app Reduce sheet and rill erosion and sedim		
Reduce ground and surface water qualit degradation by sediment.	ty degradation by nutrients ar	nd surface water quality
Reduce emissions of particulate matter	(PM), PM precursors, and gre	enhouse gases.
Enhance wildlife habitat, pollinator and	beneficial organism habitat.	
Improve soil health.		
Description of work:		
NRCS Review Only		
Designed By:	Date	
Checked By:	Date	
Approved By:	Date	

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Field number/location:	Acres installed:	Seeding date:			
Site preparation:					
Planting method:					
Planting Description (e.g., shrubs established on outside edge of area, etc.):					

Seeding Rates and Species

Plant species	lbs/acre of seed (PLS)	Total lbs of seed for planned acreage	
TOTALS =			

^{*}To figure pure live seed (PLS) rates, multiply the percent purity by the percent germination. Divide the seeding rate by the percent PLS to find the bulk seed needed per acre.

Fertilizers and Amendments

Fertilizer Element	Fertilizer Form	Fertilizer Amount (lbs/acre)
N		as N
P		as P₂O₅
K		as K₂O
S		as S
Lime		
Gypsum		

For example: 98% purity X 60% germination = 0.588% PLS 10 lbs/acre X 0.588% PLS = 17 lbs/acre.

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Operation and Maintenance:	(check all that apply)
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Mowing and harvest operations in perennial crop systems such as orchards, vineyards, berries, and nursery stock shall be done in a manner which minimizes the generation of particulate matter.

If wildlife habitat enhancement is a purpose, maintenance practices and activities shall not disturb cover during the reproductive period for the desired species. Exceptions should be considered for periodic burning or mowing when necessary to maintain the health of the plant community.

Control noxious weeds and other invasive species.

Mowing may be needed during the establishment period to reduce competition from weeds.

To benefit insect food sources for grassland nesting birds, spraying or other control of noxious weeds shall be done on a "spot" basis to protect forbs and legumes that benefit native pollinators and other wildlife.

Re-vegetate bare spots.

Additional Operation and Maintenance

A map(s) showing all areas planned for Conservation Cover is attached.

If you have questions about this planned **Conservation Cover** practice contact:

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