



Operation & Maintenance Plan Tree and Shrub Pruning (Code 660)

Landowner/Operator:

Date:

NRCS Service Center:

Conservation District:

Practice Location:

Tract/Field ID:

(Lat/Long or UTM Coord, or Sec/TS/R)

Expected Lifespan

The minimum expected lifespan of this practice is at least 10 year(s).

A properly operated and maintained **Tree and Shrub Pruning Practice** is an asset to your farm operation and your agricultural land. Implementation of Tree and Shrub Pruning will help you to achieve and maintain desired resource conditions by supporting one or more of the following purposes:

- Maintain or improve plant productivity, health and vigor, and/or reduce excessive plant pest pressure.
- Develop desired plant structure, foliage or branching density, or rooting length.
- Improve the composition and vigor of understory plants.
- Maintain or improve soil quality and organic matter content.
- Reduce wildfire and/or safety hazards.
- Reduce energy use during field operations.

This practice will require you to perform periodic operation and maintenance to maintain satisfactory performance. The following are some requirements of the operation and maintenance program.

Operation and Maintenance

- Periodically inspect plant condition and conduct additional treatment or mitigation if needed. Prune water sprouts and other branches as needed.
- Control locally invasive and noxious plants that may establish due to increased light penetration.

Specific Site Requirements