Conservation Practice Overview

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Upland Wildlife Habitat Management (Code 645)

Upland wildlife habitat management offers guidance on establishing and managing upland habitats and connectivity within the landscape for wildlife.

Practice Information

Upland wildlife habitat concerns are identified during the conservation planning process that enables wild animals to meet their life requisite needs. This practice is applicable on agricultural working lands as well as all other lands.

Structural, vegetative, or management measures to improve food and cover for the desired species of wildlife are identified. Examples include creating food plots, planting warm or cool season grasses or legumes, forbs, trees, or other woody vegetation depending on the desired-target wildlife species.

How land is managed affects the kinds and amounts of wildlife. Carefully planned wildlife habitat can add value and beauty to the landscape.

Common Associated Practices

Upland Habitat Wildlife Management (645) is commonly applied with conservation practices such as Wildlife Habitat Planting (420), Structures for Wildlife (649), Watering Facility (614), Restoration, Management of Rare or Declining Habitats (643), Use Exclusion (472), and many more.

For further information, contact your local NRCS field office.

