

**NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE  
STATEMENT OF WORK**

**CONTOUR BUFFER STRIPS  
(Acres)**

**CODE 332**

**These deliverables apply to this individual practice. For other planned practice deliverables, refer to those specific Statements of Work.**

**DESIGN (PLANNING REQUIREMENTS)**

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**Deliverables**

1. Complete documentation to support Colorado NRCS criteria and compatibility with other planned and applied practices.
  - a. Document the practice purpose(s) as identified in the conservation plan.
  - b. List all required and/or facilitating practices to be planned and applied.
  - c. Document criteria-related computations and analyses to develop plans and specifications including but not limited to:
    - i. Slope percentage used for erosion calculations;
    - ii. Maximum and minimum allowable row grades;
    - iii. Length and widths of tilled and vegetated strips;
    - iv. Spacing and arrangement of strips;
    - v. Outlet stability.
2. Provide written plans and specifications to the client including sketches and drawings that adequately describe the requirements to install the practice and obtain necessary permits. Develop plans and specifications in accordance with the Colorado Contour Buffer Strips 332, Conservation Practice Standard.
3. Provide a written operation and maintenance plan.
4. Provide written certification that the design meets practice standard criteria and complies with applicable laws and regulations.
5. Complete a Contour Buffer Strips, 332 Conservation Practice Job Sheet for each field or treatment unit.
6. Complete form CO-ECS-5 Worksheet, Grass Seeding Planned and Applied, for each field or treatment unit.
7. Plan and apply the Colorado Nutrient Management 590, and or Pest Management 595, Conservation Practice Standards, as applicable.
8. Complete Cultural Resources Site Review and Documentation Form (CO-SSC-1), and New Site Report Form (CO-SSC-2), as applicable.
9. Complete Job Sheet CO 612, Tree/Shrub Establishment, as applicable.
10. Design modifications during application as required.

## **INSTALLATION**

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### **Deliverables**

1. Conduct a pre-application conference with the client.
2. Stake and layout the design according to plans and specifications including applicable layout notes.
3. Provide installation guidance as needed.
4. Facilitate and implement any required design modifications with the client and the original designer.
5. Advise the client/NRCS on compliance issues with all Federal, state, tribal and local laws, regulations and NRCS policies during the application.

## **CHECK OUT**

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### **Deliverables**

1. Provide records of application including:
  - a. Actual row grade applied, actual width of tilled strip and actual width of vegetated strip;
  - b. Extent of practice units applied, and;
  - c. Actual materials used.
2. Provide certification that the application meets NRCS standards and specifications and complies with all applicable permits.
3. Complete progress reporting.

## **REFERENCES**

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Colorado Field Office Technical Guide, Sec. IV. Contour Buffer Strips 332, Conservation Practice Standard. 2007. USDA, NRCS. Lakewood, CO.

<http://efotg.nrcs.usda.gov/references/public/CO/CO332.pdf>

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