

**NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE  
CONSERVATION PRACTICE DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS  
UPLAND WILDLIFE HABITAT MANAGEMENT**

**(Ac.)**

**CODE 645**

**REQUIRED FORMS**

SD-CPA-26, Wildlife Habitat Management.

SD-CPA-4, Seeding Plan and Record, if herbaceous cover is established using this practice.

SD-CPA-6, Tree Planting Specification Sheet, if woody cover is established using this practice.

SD-CPA-58, Upland Wildlife Habitat Management, for primary purpose herbaceous cover habitat management.

Forms and other documentation required to implement other practices used to establish or manage needed habitat elements, such as the SD-CPA-56, Windbreak/Shelterbelt Renovation (650), and risk assessment documentation for Pest Management (595).

Conservation plan map with all required information.

**OPTIONAL DOCUMENTS**

SD-CPA-19, Habitat Quality Ranking Sheet.

SD-CPA-57, Visual Obstruction Readings for Herbaceous Wildlife Habitat.

Habitat Suitability Index computations.

**PLANNING REQUIREMENTS**

Document existing habitat conditions and existing management factors impacting habitat conditions on the SD-CPA-26.

Document all planned habitat on the SD-CPA-26.

Delineate existing and planned habitat elements required for the desired wildlife species on the conservation plan map.

**PERFORMANCE**

For sites that are established to herbaceous cover under this standard, obtain copies of seed tags and sales receipts to determine compliance with state seed laws and actual amounts seeded.

Prior to seeding, examine site to assure that an adequate seedbed has been prepared.

Examine planting or seeding at least once annually until established to evaluate weed control, defoliation, and other needs.

Complete a form SD-CPA-26 for any species for which habitat is planned.