

**OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PLAN  
ANIMAL TRAILS AND WALKWAYS  
CODE 575**

Landowner/Operator \_\_\_\_\_

Job Location \_\_\_\_\_ GPS \_\_\_\_\_

Prepared By \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE ITEMS**

Properly maintained animal trails and walkways are assets to your property. Estimated life span for this installation is \_\_\_\_\_ years. Life of this installation can be assured and usually increased by developing and carrying out an effective operation and maintenance program. An effective operation and maintenance program includes:

- Check all rock riprap sections and other structural sections for accelerated weathering and displacement. Replace to original grades if necessary.
- Maintain vigorous growth of desirable vegetation. This includes reseeding, fertilization, weeding by hand, and application of herbicides when necessary. Periodic mowing may also be needed to control height.
- All erosion or settlement or cracks in the soil should be investigated (to determine the cause) and repaired. Regrade surfaces as needed.
- Maintain installed fences to control access.
- Remove debris that may become unsightly or cause damage.
- Remove rodents or burrowing animals that are causing damage. Repair any damage caused by their activity.
- Repair any vandalism, vehicular, or livestock damage.

Other \_\_\_\_\_

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