

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

Landowner/Operator _____

Job Location _____ GPS _____

Prepared By _____ Date _____

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE ITEMS

Properly maintained animal trails and walkways are assets to your property. Estimated life span for this installation is at least 5 to 10 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 _____
