

**Classification of NRCS Conservation Practices  
For Purposes of the National Historic Preservation Act**

NRCS conservation practices for which NRCS has technical responsibility are listed below. A symbol indicates if application of the practice must be reviewed (+), generally is not reviewed (-), or if limited aspects of it are to be reviewed depending on the situation (✓) for purposes of complying with requirements of the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended. Only practices are listed; specifications are not listed. Undertakings that are not conservation practices also need to be reviewed; see NRCS GM 420 Part 401.

This list is intended to include all practices included in Section IV of the Field Office Technical Guide, which are the official copies for all conservation practices currently in effect in the field office. If a practice is not listed in Section IV and is not listed here, the Cultural Resources Specialist (CRS) will be contacted for guidance about reviewing the potential effects of the practice on cultural resources. For any listed practice whenever unusual site conditions not covered by standards in Section IV, and special designs and (or) specifications are needed, a cultural resources review may be necessary and the CRS will be contacted during planning.

Practice Name and Unit	Code	Status	Comments
Access Road (Ft)	560	+	
Anionic Polyacrylamide (PAM) Erosion Control	450	-	
Brush Management (Ac)	314	+	
Channel Vegetation (Ac)	322	-	
Clearing and Snagging (Ft)	326	✓	Review debris burial
Closure of Waste Impoundments (No)	360	✓	Review fill source if not previously disturbed
Conservation Crop Rotation (Ac)	328	-	
Contour Buffer Strips (Ac)	332	-	
Contour Farming (Ac)	330	-	
Contour Stripcropping (Ac)	585	-	
Cover and Green Manure Crop (Ac)	340	-	
Critical Area Planting (Ac)	342	✓	Review shaping
Cross Wind Ridges (Ac)	589A	-	
Cross Wind Stripcropping (Ac)	589B	-	
Cross Wind Trap Strips (Ac)	589C	-	
Dam, Diversion (ft)	348	+	

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Dam, Floodwater Retarding (No. and Ac/Ft)	402	+	
Dam, Multiple Purpose (No)	349	+	
Deep Tillage	324	+	
Dike (Ft)	356	+	
Diversion (Ft)	362	+	
Dry Hydrant (Each)	432		
Early Successional Habitat Development/Management	647		
Fencing (Ft)	382	✓	Review related ground disturbance beyond post
Field Border (Ft) Filter Strip (Ac)	386	-	Review previously undisturbed area
Firebreak (Ft)	394	+	
Fish Stream Improvement	395	✓	Review related ground disturbance
Fishpond Management (No)	399	-	
Fish Passage	396	+	
Flood Water Diversion (Ft)	400	+	
Floodway (Ft)	404	+	
Forage Harvest Management	511	-	
Grade Stabilization Structure (No)	410	+	
Grassed Waterway (Ac)	412	+	
Herbaceous Wind Barriers	422A	+	
Irrigation Canal or Lateral (Ft)	320	+	
Irrigation Field Ditch (Ft)	388	+	
Irrigation Land Leveling (Ac)	464	+	
Irrigation Pit or Regulating Reservoir Irrigation Pit (No)	552-A	+	
Irrigation Pit or Regulating Reservoir Regulating Reservoir (No)	552-B	+	

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Irrigation Storage Reservoir (No. and Ac/Ft)	436	+	
Irrigation System Drip (No. and Ac)	441	-	
Irrigation System (No. and Ac) Sprinkler	442	✓	Review previously undisturbed area
Irrigation System (No. and Ac) Surface and Subsurface	443	✓	Review previously undisturbed area
Irrigation. System, Tailwater recovery (No)	447	+	
Irrigation Water Conveyance (Ft) Nonreinforced Concrete Ditch and Canal Lining	428-A	-	
Irrigation Water Conveyance Pipeline (Ft) Asbestos-Cement	430-BB	+	
Irrigation Water Conveyance Pipeline (Ft) Nonreinforced Concrete	430-CC	+	
Irrigation Water Conveyance Pipeline (Ft) High-Pressure, Underground Plastic Pipeline	430-DD	+	
Irrigation Water Conveyance Pipeline (Ft) Low-Pressure, Underground Plastic Pipeline	430-EE	+	
Irrigation Water Conveyance Pipeline (Ft) Steel	430-FF	+	
Irrigation Water Conveyance Pipeline (Ft) Rigid Gated Pipeline	430-HH	-	
(applies to all types of pipelien)	M-430		
Irrigation Water Management (Ac)	449	-	
Lined Waterway or Outlet (Ft)	468	✓	Review related ground disturbance

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Practice Name and Unit	Code	Status	Comments
Mulching (Ac)	484	-	
Nutrient Management (Ac)	590	-	
Obstruction Removal (Ac)	500	+	
Open Channel (Ft)	582	+	
Pasture and Hay Planting (Ac)	512	-	
Pest Management (Ac)	595	-	
Pipeline (Ft)	516	+	
Pond (No)	378	+	
Pond Sealing or Lining (No) Bentonite Sealant	521-C	-	
Pond Sealing or Lining (No) Flexible Membrane	521-A	-	
Pond Sealing or Lining (No) Soil Dispersant	521-B	-	
Prescribed Burning (Ac)	338	✓	Review related ground disturbance
Prescribed Grazing (Ac)	528A	-	
Pumping Plant for Water Control (No)	533	+	
Range Planting (Ac)	550	-	
Residue Management (Mulch Till)	329B	-	
Residue Management, (No-Till and Strip Till)	329A	-	
Residue Management (Ridge Till)	329C	-	
Residue Management (Seasonal)	344	-	
Restoration and Management of Declining Habitats (Ac)	643	✓	Review mechanical removal or burial of woody vegetation
Riparian Forest Buffer	391	✓	Review mechanical removal or burial of woody vegetation
Sediment Basin (No)	350	+	
Spring Development (No)	574	+	
Streambank and Shoreline Protection	580	+	

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(Ft)			
Stream Channel Stabilization (Ft)	584	+	
Stripcropping Field (Ac)	586	-	
Structure for Water Control (No)	587	+	
Subsurface Drain (Ft)	606	+	
Surface Drainage (Ft) Field Ditch	607	+	
Surface Drainage (Ft) Main or Lateral	608	+	
Terrace (Ft)	600	+	
Toxic Salt Reduction (Ac)	610	-	
Tree Planting (Ac)	612	✓	Review previously treeless areas
Trough or Tank (No)	614		
Underground Outlet (Ft)	620		
Use Exclusion	472	✓	Review associated ground disturbance
Waste Storage Facility (No)	313	+	
Waste Treatment Lagoon (No)	359	+	
Waste Utilization (No. and Ac)	633	-	
Water and Sediment Control Basin (No)	638	+	
Water-Harvesting Catchment (No)	636	+	
Waterspreading (Ac)	640	✓	Review associated ground disturbance
Water Well (No)	642	+	
Wetland Restoration (Ac)	657	+	Review if pre-Modern sediment to be disturbed
Wetland Creation (Ac)	658	✓	Review if pre-Modern sediment to be disturbed
Wetland Enhancement	659	✓	Review if pre-Modern sediment to be

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Practice Name and Unit	Code	Status	Comments
			disturbed
Wildlife Watering Facility	648	+	
Wetland Wildlife Habitat Mgt. (Ac)	644	-	
Windbreak Renovation (Ac)	650	✓	Review removal and planting in previously treeless area
Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment For Farmsteads, Feedlots, & Field Windbreaks) (Ft.)	380	✓	Review removal and planting in previously treeless area
Design Procedures for Windbreak/ Shelterbelt Establishment	DP-380		
Design Procedures for Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment	TPP-380		
Woodland Improved Harvesting (Ac)	654		
Woodland Improvement (Ac)	666	-	
Woodland Pruning (Ac)	660	-	