

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE  
\_\_\_\_\_, OKLAHOMA**

**OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PLAN  
ACCESS ROAD**

Sponsor/Land user: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Legal description of practice location: SEC \_\_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_\_ R \_\_\_\_\_

A properly operated and maintained access road is an asset to your farm. This access road was designed and installed as travel way on your farm. The estimated life span of this system is at least 10 years. The life of this system can be assured and usually increased by developing and carrying out a good operation and maintenance program.

This practice will require you to perform periodic operation and maintenance to maintain satisfactory performance. Here are some recommendations to help you develop a good operation and maintenance program.

**GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Maintain the roadway surface in a good condition, which includes periodic grading or repair of the surface.
- Prevent surface ponding by grading to remove depressions.
- Limit livestock usage to periods that permit use without damage.
- If fences are installed, they shall be maintained to provide warning and/or prevent unauthorized human or livestock entry.
- Remove debris to prevent blockage of stream crossings, culverts or bridges.
- Eradicate or otherwise remove all rodents or burrowing animals. Immediately repair any damage caused by their activity.
- Immediately repair any vandalism, vehicular, or livestock damage to any earthfills, spillways, outlets or other appurtenances.

