

Prescribed Forestry

Conservation Practice Job Sheet

AK-409



Definition

Manage forested areas for forest health, wood and/or fiber, water, recreation, aesthetics, wildlife habitat, grazing and plant biodiversity.

Purpose

Maintain or improve forest health-Protect soil quality and condition- Maintain or enhance water quality and quantity-Maintain or improve forest productivity-Maintain or improve plant diversity-Improve aesthetic and recreational values-Improve wildlife habitat-Achieve or maintain a desired understory plant community for forest products, grazing, and browsing.

Conditions Where Practice can be Applied

On all forest land or land capable and suited to growing trees.

Criteria

Activities to achieve the intended purpose(s) shall be based on a forest prescription that addresses the owner's objectives as well as perpetuating a sustainable forest ecosystem.

Successful Practice Implementation

When prescribed practices, treatments and maintenance operations are implemented, rescheduled or amended as needed as part of a conservation or forest management plan and recorded in the plan and the attached Prescribed Forestry Job Sheet.

Guidelines for Operation and Maintenance

Maintain a yearly summary of forest management activities and records of yield for all forest products harvested, including non-timber resources.

Conduct periodic inspections during and after treatment activities to ensure that the purposes are achieved and resources are sustainable. The results of the inspections shall determine the need for additional treatment under this practice.

Review timetables, schedules and coordinate actions periodically and modify as needed.

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Landowner _____ Field number(s) _____

Purpose (check all that apply)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Maintain or improve forest health	<input type="checkbox"/> Improve aesthetic and recreational values
<input type="checkbox"/> Maintain or enhance water quality and quantity	<input type="checkbox"/> Improve wildlife habitat
<input type="checkbox"/> Protect soil quality and condition	<input type="checkbox"/> Achieve or maintain a desired understory plant community for forest products, grazing, and browsing.
<input type="checkbox"/> Maintain or improve plant diversity	<input type="checkbox"/> Storing carbon in biomass
<input type="checkbox"/> Maintain or improve forest productivity	

Prescribed Forestry – Job Sketch/ Conservation Plan Map

Draw or sketch the field, showing any sensitive areas and required setback zones. Inside each sketched field, enter total field acres and net application acres. Other relevant information, such as complementary practices or adjacent field or tract conditions may be included.

Scale 1"= _____ ft. (NA indicates sketch not to scale; grid size=1/2" by 1/2")

Conservation Practice	Planned Completed									
	20_	20_	20_	20_	20_	20_	20_	20_	20_	20_
Forest Stand Improvement example	3/2008									
		3/2009								
Operation & Maintenance Actions	Planned Completed									
	20__	20_	20_	20_	20_	20_	20_	20_	20_	20_
Boundary Maintenance example										

This plan was developed based on the requirements of the current NRCS standard and any applicable Federal, state, or local regulations or policies. Changes in any of these regulations may necessitate a revision of the plan.

Plan Certification

I certify that the above plan meets NRCS standards and specifications:

Planner _____ Date _____

I have reviewed this plan and agree to install as designed.

Cooperator _____ Date _____

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Conservation Practice Specification Signature Sheet

Owner _____

Operator _____

Location _____

Field #s _____

Tract # _____ Farm # _____

Program _____ Contract # _____ Acres Planned _____

Acres Applied _____

PRACTICE CERTIFICATION

This practice was installed and maintained in accordance with the accompanying Prescribed Forestry job sheet, Forest Management Plan or Conservation Plan and will meet the intended function and purpose as described in the design specification.

Certification and Check-out Notes:

Completed by: _____ Date: _____

