



**Operation and Maintenance Plan
Access Road, Code 560**



Landowner/Operator:		Date:	
NRCS Service Center:		Conservation District:	
Location of Practice:	Lat: 	Long:	
UTM Coordinates:			
	SEC: 	TS: 	R: Field ID:

GENERAL

A properly operated and maintained access road is an asset to your farm. This access road was designed and installed as a 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 possibly increased by performing operation and maintenance (O&M) activities. The O&M activities are listed below.

O&M REQUIREMENTS

- Maintain the roadway surface in a good condition, which includes periodic grading or repair of the surface. Replace surface treatment such as stone as needed.
- Prevent surface ponding by grading to remove depressions.
- Maintain vigorous growth of desirable vegetative coverings on the road shoulder. This includes reseeding, fertilization, and controlled application of herbicides when necessary. Periodic mowing may also be needed to control height.
- 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. (If threatened species are involved, follow policy on endangered or threatened species.)
- Immediately repair any erosion, vandalism, vehicular, or livestock damage to any earthfills, spillways, outlets or other appurtenances.
- Inspect culverts, roadside ditches, surface cross drains, and outlets after each major runoff event and restore flow capacity as needed.

Additional Operation and Maintenance Requirements Specific to this Plan: _____

