



**Operation and Maintenance Plan
Constructed Wetland, Code 656**



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

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE ITEMS

Operation and maintenance (O&M) is necessary for all conservation practices and is required for all practices installed with the Natural Resources Conservation Service assistance. The land user is responsible for proper O&M throughout the life of the practice and as may be required by federal, state, or local laws or regulations.

Operation refers to operation of the practice in compliance with all laws, regulations, ordinances, and easements; and in such a manner that will result in the least adverse impact on the environment and will permit the practice to serve the purpose for which it was installed. Maintenance includes work to prevent deterioration of the practice, repairing damage, or replacing components which fail.

Necessary operation and maintenance items to include in plan are:

Operation

1. Maintenance of water level in wetland cells appropriate for vegetation.
2. Control flow to wetland according to water budget.
3. Monitoring of wetland performance.
4. Sampling effluent for nutrients prior to utilization.
5. Surveillance of inlet and outlet.

Maintenance

1. Repair of embankments.
2. Control of vegetation.
3. Repair of fences or other ancillary features.
4. Replacement of wetland plants.

