

**NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE
CONSERVATION PRACTICE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE**

**FIELD BORDER
(Feet)
CODE 386**

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Field borders require careful management and maintenance for performance and longevity. The following O&M activities will be planned and applied as needed:

- Storm damage repair.
- Sediment removal - when 6 inches of sediment have accumulated at the field border/cropland interface.
- Shut off sprayers and raise tillage equipment to avoid damage to field borders.
- Shape and reseeding border areas damaged by chemicals, tillage or equipment traffic.
- Fertilize, mow, harvest, and control noxious weeds to maintain plant vigor.
- Ephemeral gullies and rills that develop in the border will be filled and reseeded.
- Maintain herbaceous vegetation so that it provides at least 80% ground cover throughout the year.