

**NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE
DOCUMENTATION AND CERTIFICATION**

**CONTOUR BUFFER STRIPS
CODE 332**

1. Location and Site Investigation
 - Environmental Checklist Form (CB-EVC-2)
 - Conservation Plan Map
 - Location Map (Topographic Quadrangles)
 - Aerial Photos
 - Surveying Plat (Property Limits)

2. Soils Information
 - Conservation Plan Soil Map

3. Criteria
 - Row grade, width of tilled strip and width of vegetated strip
 - Vegetative species selection
 - Spacing and arrangement of strips
 - Erosion calculations
 - Slope length
 - Outlet stability
 - Wildlife considerations

4. Drawings and narratives
 - Sketches and drawings, according to plans and specifications including applicable layout notes
 - Narratives statements

5. Cost Estimates
 - Local Suppliers Material Cost Lists

6. O&M and Safety
 - Operation and maintenance plan
 - Comply with all local and federal laws and regulations.

7. Installation and Certification
 - Records of application
 - Record the furrow lengths and grade for each field
 - Extent in acres
 - Certification that the application meets NRCS standards and specifications and is in compliance with local and federal permits

Reference: Caribbean Field Office Technical Guide