

NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE
GEORGIA
OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS
LINED WATERWAY OR OUTLET
CODE 468

Land Owner/Operator _____

County _____ SWCD _____ Farm/Tract No. _____

Prepared By _____ Date _____

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE ITEMS

A properly operated and maintained lined waterway or outlet for excess water is an asset to the farm. The system was designed and installed to safely remove or discharge excess water from the farm. Estimated life span of this installation is at least 15 years. The life of the system can be assured and usually increased by developing and carrying out a systematic operation and maintenance program.

Failure to Operate and Maintain this system could result in actions to reclaim cost share and/or loss of any future financial or technical assistance.

This practice will require periodic maintenance and may also require operational items to maintain satisfactory performance. Your operation and maintenance program includes:

- Maintain vigorous growth of desirable vegetative coverings. This includes reseeding, fertilization, and controlled application of herbicides when necessary. Periodic mowing may also be needed to control height.
- Repair spalls, cracks and weathered areas in concrete surfaces.
- Repair or replace rusted or damaged metal and paint.
- Replace weathered or displaced rock riprap to constructed grade.
- Remove all debris that hinders system operation.
- Limit livestock usage to sections that will not be hindered by their activity.
- Maintain all fences to prevent livestock and other unauthorized entry.
- 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 vandalism, vehicular or livestock damage to the structure, earthen areas surrounding the structure, or any appurtenances.

