

STATEMENT OF WORK
Restoration and Management of Declining Habitats (643)
Illinois

These deliverables apply to this individual practice. For other planned practice deliverables refer to those specific Statements of Work.

DESIGN

Deliverables:

1. Design documentation that will demonstrate that the criteria in Illinois NRCS Restoration and Management of Declining Habitats (643) practice standard have been met and are compatible with other planned and applied practices.
2. Practice purpose(s) as identified in the conservation plan.
3. List of required permits to be obtained by the client.
4. List of facilitating practices
5. Practice standard criteria-related inventories and analyses to develop restoration or management plans and specifications including but not limited to;
 - a. Resource inventories including baseline inventory of vegetation present before treatment, soils and any documentation of presettlement habitat type for the site.
 - b. Identification of the habitat type to be restored and habitat requirements for the targeted wildlife species.
 - e. Planting plans
 - f. Prescribed burning plans
 - g. Plan to manipulate vegetation to maximize plant and animal diversity of the habitat type being restored.
 - c. Grazing plans
6. Completion of Illinois NRCS Job Sheet 643 for Savanna Establishment or Prairie Establishment if seeding or tree/shrub planting is required.
7. Operation and Maintenance Plan meeting maintenance requirements in the practice standard.
8. Written plans and specifications including sketches and drawings and location map with type and extent of each habitat to be restored shall be provided to the client that adequately describes the requirements to install the practice and obtain necessary permits.
9. Certifications that the design meets practice standard criteria and comply with applicable laws and regulations
10. Design modifications during installation as required.

Note: Illinois NRCS Conservation Practice standards, specifications and job sheets may be found in Section IV, Electronic Field Office Technical Guide (eFOTG) at the following link:

<http://www.il.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/>.

INSTALLATION

Deliverables

1. Pre-application conference with client
2. Verification that client has obtained required permits
3. Application assistance
4. Facilitate and implement required restoration and/or wildlife habitat management plan modifications with client and original designer
5. Certification that the application process meets the restoration and/or management plan and permit requirements
6. Advise client/NRCS on compliance issues with all federal, state, tribal, and local laws, regulations and NRCS policies during installation.
7. Certification that the application processes and materials meets design and permit requirements.
 - a. Certification of percent pure live seed for the seed applied.
 - b. Documentation of size and quality of trees planted.
 - c. Documentation of amount of seed applied and/or number of trees and shrubs planted.
 - d. Approved Illinois NRCS Prescribed Burn Plan (338js) or approved alternative burn plan, for applied prescribed burns.

CHECK OUT

Deliverables

1. Records of application
 - a. Extent of practice units applied
2. Certification that the installation meets NRCS standards and specifications and is in compliance with permits
3. Progress reporting

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REFERENCES

- Illinois NRCS Field Office Technical Guide (eFOTG), Section IV, Conservation Practice Standard – Restoration and Management of Declining Habitats – 643. <http://www.il.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/>
- Illinois NRCS Field Office Technical Guide (eFOTG), Section IV, Job Sheets – Restoration and Management of Declining Habitats Prairie Establishment (643) and Restoration and Management of Declining Habitats Savanna Establishment (643) <http://www.il.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/>
- NRCS National Environmental Compliance Handbook
- NRCS Cultural Resources Procedures Handbook
- NRCS National Biology Manual
- NRCS National Biology Handbook