

**NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE
OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PLAN FOR
CLEARING AND SNAGGING**

CODE 326

Name _____
Legal Desc. _____

Ident. No. _____
County _____

A properly operated and maintained clearing and snagging activity is an asset to your farm. This practice was designed and completed to reduce risks to agricultural resources or civil infrastructure by removing obstructions that hinder channel flow or sediment transport in order to restore flow capacity and direction, prevent excessive bank erosion by eddies or redirection of flow, reduce the undesirable formation of bars, and/or minimize blockages by debris and ice.

- Remove downed trees and debris accumulations that are causing bank erosion problems as soon as possible.
- Inspect the area periodically for signs of streambank undermining or instability.
- Clear any vegetation and/or debris that block side drainage structures and channels.

Specific Recommendations for this Project

The estimated life span of this installation is at least 5 years. The life of this installation can be ensured and usually increased by developing and carrying out a good operation and maintenance program.

This practice will require you to perform periodic operation and maintenance for satisfactory performance. Here are some recommendations to help you develop a good operation and maintenance program.

General Recommendations

- Assess the area after each major storm event for downed trees and debris accumulation.

If you need additional technical assistance to implement the operation and maintenance plan for this structure, contact the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) at your local USDA Service Center (listed in the telephone book under United States Government).