

STATEMENT OF WORK

Contour Buffer Strip (332)

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

DESIGN

Deliverables:

1. Design documents that demonstrate criteria in NRCS practice standard have been met and are compatible with planned and applied practices
 - a. Practice purpose(s) as identified in the conservation plan.
 - b. List of required permits to be obtained by the client
 - c. List all required and/or facilitating practices
 - d. Practice standard criteria-related computations and analyses to develop plans and specifications including but not limited to:
 - i. Row grade, width of tilled strip and width of vegetated strip
 - ii. Vegetative species selection
 - iii. Spacing and arrangement of strips
 - iv. Erosion calculations
 - v. Slope length
 - vi. Outlet stability
 - vii. Wildlife considerations
2. Written plans and specifications including sketches and drawings shall be provided to the client that adequately describes the requirements to install the practice and obtain necessary permits. Plans and specifications shall be developed in accordance with the requirements of the conservation practice standard for Contour Buffer Strips (Code 332)
3. Operation and maintenance plan
4. Certification that the design meets practice standard criteria and comply with applicable laws and regulations
5. Design modifications during installation as required

INSTALLATION

Deliverables

1. Pre-installation conference with client
2. Verification that client has obtained required permits
3. Staking and layout according to plans and specifications including applicable layout notes
4. Installation guidance as needed
5. Facilitate and implement required design modifications with client and original designer
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 installation process and materials meets design and permit requirements

CHECK OUT

Deliverables

1. Records of installation
 - a. Actual row grade applied, actual width of tilled strip and actual width of vegetated strip
 - b. Extent of practice units applied.
 - c. Actual materials used.
2. Certification that the installation meets NRCS standards and specifications and is in compliance with permits
3. Progress reporting

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SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR COST SHARED PRACTICES

As noted in GM KY Supplement 450-407.12: Certifying Performance for Cost Sharing (June 2008)

- A. All practices will be located and identified using Global Positioning Systems (GPS) unit. (See GM KY 450-407.12 for additional guidance.)
- B. Practices receiving cost share assistance will be photo identified with no less than one before picture and no less than one after picture. (See GM KY 450-407.12 for additional guidance)

A quick link to the policy is: ftp://ftp-fc.sc.egov.usda.gov/KY/GM_Supplement_450.pdf.

REFERENCES

- NRCS Field Office Technical Guide (eFOTG), Section IV, Conservation Practice Standard Contour Buffer Strips - 332
- NRCS National Agronomy Manual
- NRCS National Environmental Compliance Handbook
- NRCS Cultural Resources Handbook