

STATEMENT OF WORK
Tree/Shrub Establishment (612)
Michigan

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. Practice standard criteria-related computations and analyses to develop plans and specifications including, but not limited to:
 - i. Determination of adapted species of woody plants, type of planting stock (seedlings, seed, cuttings, etc.), rates, and methods of planting or seeding
 - ii. Protective measures for planted stock including supplemental water, cultural treatments to enhance survival and health, tree shelters, and use exclusion
 - iii. Additional provisions, as required, for improving or restoring natural diversity and increasing carbon storage in biomass and soils
2. Written plans and specifications including sketches and drawings that adequately describe the requirements to install the practice and obtain necessary permits shall be provided to the client.
3. Documentation of needed operation and maintenance, including weed control for at least the first 3 years.
4. Certification that the design meets practice standard criteria and complies with applicable laws and regulations.
5. Design modifications during installation as required.

INSTALLATION

Deliverables

1. Pre-application 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. Application 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, including cultural resources requirements, if applicable.
7. Certification that the application process and materials meet design and permit requirements.

CHECK OUT

Deliverables

1. Records of application.
 - a. Extent of practice units applied
 - b. Actual plant materials used and protective measures
 - c. Weed control applied, including products and rates of herbicide and dates of application
2. Certification that the application meets NRCS standards and specifications and is in compliance with permits.
3. Progress reporting.

REFERENCES

- NRCS Field Office Technical Guide (eFOTG), Section IV, Conservation Practice Standard - Tree/Shrub Establishment, 612
- NRCS National Forestry Handbook (NFH), Part 636.4
- NRCS National Environmental Compliance Handbook
- NRCS Cultural Resources Handbook
- Tree Planting in Michigan, 1997, Lantagne and Koelling, MSU Exten. Bull. E-771
- Weed Control for Tree and Shrub Establishment, Conservation Design Sheet 612, 1997, MI eFOTG, Section IV, MI Conservation Sheets, Forestry
- Illinois Direct Seeding Handbook, Asso. of IL SWCDs, USDA-NRCS, IL Dept. of Nat. Res., & IL EPA. 2002. <http://www.il.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/forestry/dshndbk.html>