



## Conservation Practice Standard Overview

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### Vegetative Barrier (601)

Vegetative barrier is permanent strips of stiff, dense vegetation established along the general contour of slopes or across concentrated flow areas.

#### Practice Information

Vegetative barriers are used to reduce sheet and rill erosion, and improve water quality by trapping sediment

This practice applies to all land uses where sheet and rill erosion are resource concerns. A suitable outlet is needed below the barrier.

Recommended plant species must be adapted to local soil and climate conditions; be easily established, long-lived, and manageable.



#### Common Associated Practices

Vegetative Barrier (601) is commonly applied with conservation practices such as Integrated Pest Management (595), Nutrient Management (590), Crop Rotation (328), and Residue and Tillage Management Practices (329 and 345).

For further information, contact your local NRCS field office.