

NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE  
MONTANA CONSERVATION PRACTICE JOB SHEET

MULCHING (ACRE)

CODE 484

LANDOWNER/OPERATOR

FIELD NUMBER

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PLANNER

JOB CLASS

DATE

DEFINITION

Mulch is a non-living material produced off site and placed on the soil surface to protect the soil from wind and water erosion, conserve soil moisture, reduce energy use and airborne particulates, improve soil health, and facilitate the establishment of vegetative cover.

MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

The need for mulching is based on the potential for erosion and the potential benefits mulch can provide toward the establishment of vegetative cover. On shallow sites where soils are not highly erodible, and soil moisture and organic matter are present, high winds are not a problem and no soil crusting is expected to occur, then mulching may not be necessary.

Mulching is essential on critical areas where the potential for wind and water erosion exists.

RESOURCE CONCERN (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):

- Conserve soil moisture
- Facilitate the establishment of vegetative cover
- Reduce energy use associated with irrigation
- Improve soil health
- Provide erosion control
- Reduce airborne particulates

		PLANNED	APPLIED
1. Type of Mulch			
2. Amount of Mulch	Per 1,000 sq. ft.	lbs.	lbs.
	Per Acre	lbs./ton	lbs./ton
3. Method of Applying Mulch			
4. Time Mulch will be Applied			
5. Type of Anchoring (IF APPLICABLE)			
6. Application Rate of Anchor			

Fencing Required (Check):  Yes  No

Fertilizer Required (Check):  Yes  No Amount \_\_\_\_\_

