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## STATEMENT OF WORK CONTOUR ORCHARD AND OTHER PERENNIAL CROPS (331) Maryland

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

### DESIGN

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#### 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. Vegetative species and seeding rates
    - ii. Minimum/maximum row grade
    - iii. Critical slope length
    - iv. Erosion calculations
    - v. Outlet stability
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.
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

Note: *Design work shall be in accordance with the Maryland conservation practice standard. Plans shall be prepared in accordance with the SUPPORTING DATA AND DOCUMENTATION, Planning Information, Field Data, and Survey Notes and Design Data sections of the Conservation Practice standard.*

### INSTALLATION

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#### Deliverables

1. Pre-installation conference with client
2. Verification that client has obtained required permits
3. Installation guidance as needed
4. Facilitate and implement required design modifications with client and original designer
5. Advise client/NRCS on compliance issues with all federal, state, tribal, and local laws, regulations and NRCS policies during installation
6. Certification that the installation process and materials meets design and permit requirements

Note: *Check out and certification of the conservation practice shall be in accordance with the SUPPORTING DATA AND DOCUMENTATION, Construction Check Data/ As-Built section of the Conservation Practice standard.*

### CHECK OUT

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#### Deliverables

1. Records of installation
  - a. Actual row grade applied
  - 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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**REFERENCES**

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- NRCS Field Office Technical Guide (eFOTG), Section IV, Conservation Practice Standard - Contour Orchard and Other Fruit Area-331
- NRCS National Agronomy Manual
- NRCS National Environmental Compliance Handbook
- NRCS Cultural Resources Handbook

Note: *All references listed in the Reference section of the conservation practice standard apply.*