

Practice: 391 - Riparian Forest Buffer

Scenario: #2 - Bare-root, hand planted, conifers, hrdwds, shrubs

Scenario Description:

Establish a buffer of trees and/or shrubs into a suitably prepared site to restore riparian plant communities and associated benefits. The buffer will be located adjacent to and up-gradient from a watercourse or water body extending a minimum of 35 feet wide. The planting will consist of hand planted bare-root shrubs, evergreen, and deciduous trees. One third of the area will be planted to each woody plant type. Planting for shrubs will be done at 6' x 6' spacing, evergreen tree spacing will be 12' x 15' and deciduous tree spacing at 15' x 15'. Resource concerns to be addressed are Soil Erosion - excessive bank erosion; Water Quality - excess sediment and organics in surface waters and elevated temperature; Degraded Plant Condition - inadequate structure and composition; and Inadequate Habitat for Fish and Wildlife - habitat degradation.

Before Situation:

Typical sites include former riparian forests and habitat used for forage, cropland, speculation property, or other nonforest condition which contains undesirable amounts or types of vegetation. Active bank erosion is depositing sediment, nutrients and organics in the riparian area. Water temperature is high due to lack of shade. Habitat is not desirable for wildlife.

After Situation:

A buffer of trees and shrubs will be established along the riparian corridor which will provide stability, filtration, shade, and desirable habitat to address the above mentioned resource concerns.

Scenario Feature Measure: Area of planting

Scenario Unit: Acre

Scenario Typical Size: 3

Scenario Cost: \$2,029.46

Scenario Cost/Unit: \$676.49

Cost Details (by category):

Component Name	ID	Component Description	Unit	Price (\$/unit)	Quantity	Cost
Equipment/Installation						
Trailer, enclosed, small	1503	Small enclosed trailer (typically less than 30' in length) pulled by a pickup to transport materials and equipment. Truck not included.	Hour	\$3.55	2	\$7.10
Truck, Pickup	939	Equipment and power unit costs. Labor not included.	Hour	\$36.60	2	\$73.20
Hand tools, tree planting	1590	Various hand tools for digging holes and planting trees such as augers, dibble bars, planting shovel, hoe-dad. Equipment only. Labor not included.	Hour	\$11.22	16	\$179.52
Foregone Income						
Fl, Corn Dryland	1959	Dryland Corn is Primary Crop	Acre	\$238.74	3	\$716.22
Labor						
General Labor	231	Labor performed using basic tools such as power tool, shovels, and other tools that do not require extensive training. Ex. pipe layer, herder, concrete placement, materials spreader, flagger, etc.	Hour	\$18.70	16	\$299.20
Materials						
Tree, hardwood, seedling or transplant, bare root, 16-36"	1510	Bare root hardwood trees 18-36" tall. Includes materials and shipping only.	Each	\$0.37	194	\$71.78
Tree, conifer, seedling, bare root, 1-1	1513	Bare root conifer trees, 1-1 (2 years old). Includes materials and shipping only.	Each	\$0.12	242	\$29.04
Shrub, seedling or transplant, bare root, 18"-36"	1507	Bare root hardwood trees 18-36" tall. Includes materials and shipping only.	Each	\$0.54	1210	\$653.40

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Scenario: #3 - Bare-root, machine planted, conifers, hrdwds, shrubs

Scenario Description:

Establish a buffer of trees and/or shrubs into a suitably prepared site to restore riparian plant communities and associated benefits. The buffer will be located adjacent to and up-gradient from a watercourse or water body extending a minimum of 35 feet wide. The planting will consist of machine planted bare-root shrubs, evergreen, and deciduous trees. One third of the area will be planted to each woody plant type. Planting for shrubs will be done at 6' x 6' spacing, evergreen tree spacing will be 12' x 15' and deciduous tree spacing at 15' x 15'. Resource concerns to be addressed are Soil Erosion - excessive bank erosion; Water Quality - excess sediment and organics in surface waters and elevated temperature; Degraded Plant Condition - inadequate structure and composition; and Inadequate Habitat for Fish and Wildlife - habitat degradation.

Before Situation:

Typical sites include former riparian forests and habitat used for forage, cropland, speculation property, or other nonforest condition which contains undesirable amounts or types of vegetation. Active bank erosion is depositing sediment, nutrients and organics in the riparian area. Water temperature is high due to lack of shade. Habitat is not desirable for wildlife.

After Situation:

A buffer of trees and shrubs will be established along the riparian corridor which will provide stability, filtration, shade, and desirable habitat to address the above mentioned resource concerns.

Scenario Feature Measure: Area of planting

Scenario Unit: Acre

Scenario Typical Size: 3

Scenario Cost: \$2,200.24

Scenario Cost/Unit: \$733.41

Cost Details (by category):

Component Name	ID	Component Description	Unit	Price (\$/unit)	Quantity	Cost
Equipment/Installation						
Tractor, agricultural, 60 HP	963	Agricultural tractor with horsepower range of 50 to 90. Equipment and power unit costs. Labor not included.	Hour	\$23.09	6	\$138.54
Mechanical tree planter	1600	Mechanical tree planter. Requires a pulling unit of either tractor or small dozer depending upon site conditions. Does not include labor.	Hour	\$6.37	6	\$38.22
Foregone Income						
Fl, Corn Dryland	1959	Dryland Corn is Primary Crop	Acre	\$238.74	3	\$716.22
Labor						
Equipment Operators, Light	232	Includes: Skid Steer Loaders, Hydraulic Excavators <50 HP, Trenchers <12", Ag Equipment <150 HP, Pickup Trucks, Forklifts, Mulchers	Hour	\$20.08	6	\$120.48
General Labor	231	Labor performed using basic tools such as power tool, shovels, and other tools that do not require extensive training. Ex. pipe layer, herder, concrete placement, materials spreader, flagger, etc.	Hour	\$18.70	14	\$261.80
Materials						
Tree, conifer, seedling, bare root, 1-1	1513	Bare root conifer trees, 1-1 (2 years old). Includes materials and shipping only.	Each	\$0.12	242	\$29.04
Tree, hardwood, seedling or transplant, bare root, 16-36"	1510	Bare root hardwood trees 18-36" tall. Includes materials and shipping only.	Each	\$0.37	194	\$71.78
Shrub, seedling or transplant, bare root, 18"-36"	1507	Bare root hardwood trees 18-36" tall. Includes materials and shipping only.	Each	\$0.54	1210	\$653.40
Mobilization						
Mobilization, small equipment	1138	Equipment <70 HP but can't be transported by a pick-up truck or with typical weights between 3,500 to 14,000 pounds.	Each	\$170.76	1	\$170.76

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Scenario: #6 - Bare root shrubs, 300 stems per acre, no tubes

Scenario Description:

Establish a buffer of hardwood shrubs or trees into a suitably prepared site to restore riparian plant communities and associated benefits. The buffer will be located adjacent to and up-gradient from a watercourse or water body extending a minimum of 35 feet wide. The planting will consist of hand or machine planted bare-root deciduous trees. General, tree spacing is 12' x 12'; (302 trees per acre) however, other spacing may be used depending on the objectives. Resource concerns to be addressed are Soil Erosion - excessive bank erosion; Water Quality - excess sediment and organics in surface waters and elevated temperature; Degraded Plant Condition - inadequate structure and composition; and Inadequate Habitat for Fish and Wildlife - habitat degradation. Payment includes trees, equipment and labor to plant, and foregone income for the land taken out of production to install the riparian buffer. Site preparation is implemented through associated practice 490 Tree/Shrub Site Preparation. Additional associated practices may include: 315 Herbaceous Weed Control, 484 Mulching

Before Situation:

Typical sites include former riparian forests and habitat used for forage, cropland, speculation property, or other nonforest condition which contains undesirable amounts or types of vegetation. Active bank erosion is depositing sediment, nutrients and organics in the riparian area. Water temperature is high due to lack of shade. Habitat is not desirable for wildlife.

After Situation:

A buffer of trees will be established along the riparian corridor which will provide stability, filtration, shade, and desirable habitat to address the above mentioned resource concerns.

Scenario Feature Measure: Area of Riparian Forest Buffer

Scenario Unit: Acre

Scenario Typical Size: 2

Scenario Cost: \$928.64

Scenario Cost/Unit: \$464.32

Cost Details (by category):

Component Name	ID	Component Description	Unit	Price (\$/unit)	Quantity	Cost
Equipment/Installation						
Hand tools, tree planting	1590	Various hand tools for digging holes and planting trees such as augers, dibble bars, planting shovel, hoe-dad. Equipment only. Labor not included.	Hour	\$11.22	3	\$33.66
Foregone Income						
Fl, Corn Dryland	1959	Dryland Corn is Primary Crop	Acre	\$238.74	2	\$477.48
Labor						
General Labor	231	Labor performed using basic tools such as power tool, shovels, and other tools that do not require extensive training. Ex. pipe layer, herder, concrete placement, materials spreader, flagger, etc.	Hour	\$18.70	5	\$93.50
Materials						
Shrub, seedling or transplant, bare root, 18"-36"	1507	Bare root hardwood trees 18-36" tall. Includes materials and shipping only.	Each	\$0.54	600	\$324.00

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Scenario: #8 - Shrub Planting, 871 stems per acre, no tubes

Scenario Description:

Establish a buffer of trees and/or shrubs into a suitably prepared site to restore riparian plant communities and associated benefits. The buffer will be located adjacent to and up-gradient from a watercourse or water body extending a minimum of 35 feet wide. The planting will consist of hand planted or machine planting bare-root shrubs. Generally, planting for shrubs will be done at 5' x 10' spacing however, other spacings may be used depending on the objective. Resource concerns to be addressed are Soil Erosion - excessive bank erosion; Water Quality - excess sediment and organics in surface waters and elevated temperature; Degraded Plant Condition - inadequate structure and composition; and Inadequate Habitat for Fish and Wildlife - habitat degradation. Payment includes trees, equipment and labor to plant, and foregone income for the land taken out of production to install the riparian buffer. Site preparation is implemented through associated practice 490 Tree/Shrub Site Preparation. Additional associated practices may include: 315 Herbaceous Weed Control, 484 Mulching

Before Situation:

Typical sites include former riparian forests and habitat used for forage, cropland, speculation property, or other nonforest condition which contains undesirable amounts or types of vegetation. Active bank erosion is depositing sediment, nutrients and organics in the riparian area. Water temperature is high due to lack of shade. Habitat is not desirable for wildlife.

After Situation:

A buffer of trees and shrubs will be established along the riparian corridor which will provide stability, filtration, shade, and desirable habitat to address the above mentioned resource concerns.

Scenario Feature Measure: Area of Riparian Forest Buffer

Scenario Unit: Acre

Scenario Typical Size: 2

Scenario Cost: \$1,694.92

Scenario Cost/Unit: \$847.46

Cost Details (by category):

Component Name	ID	Component Description	Unit	Price (\$/unit)	Quantity	Cost
Equipment/Installation						
Hand tools, tree planting	1590	Various hand tools for digging holes and planting trees such as augers, dibble bars, planting shovel, hoe-dad. Equipment only. Labor not included.	Hour	\$11.22	8	\$89.76
Foregone Income						
Fl, Corn Dryland	1959	Dryland Corn is Primary Crop	Acre	\$238.74	2	\$477.48
Labor						
General Labor	231	Labor performed using basic tools such as power tool, shovels, and other tools that do not require extensive training. Ex. pipe layer, herder, concrete placement, materials spreader, flagger, etc.	Hour	\$18.70	10	\$187.00
Materials						
Shrub, seedling or transplant, bare root, 18"-36"	1507	Bare root hardwood trees 18-36" tall. Includes materials and shipping only.	Each	\$0.54	1742	\$940.68

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Scenario: #11 - Bare Root Hardwoods with tubes, 300 trees per acre

Scenario Description:

Establish a buffer of hardwood trees into a suitably prepared site to restore riparian plant communities and associated benefits. The buffer will be located adjacent to and up-gradient from a watercourse or water body extending a minimum of 35 feet wide. The planting will consist of hand or machine planted bare-root deciduous trees. General, tree spacing is 12 X 12 (300 trees per acre) however, other spacing may be used depending on the objectives. Resource concerns to be addressed are Soil Erosion - excessive bank erosion; Water Quality - excess sediment and organics in surface waters and elevated temperature; Degraded Plant Condition - inadequate structure and composition; and Inadequate Habitat for Fish and Wildlife - habitat degradation. Payment includes trees, equipment and labor to plant, and foregone income for the land taken out of production to install the riparian buffer. Site preparation is implemented through associated practice 490 Tree/Shrub Site Preparation. Additional associated practices may include: 315 Herbaceous Weed Control, 484

Before Situation:

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After Situation:

A buffer of trees will be established along the riparian corridor which will provide stability, filtration, shade, and desirable habitat to address the above mentioned resource concerns.

Scenario Feature Measure: Area of Riparian Forest Buffer

Scenario Unit: Acre

Scenario Typical Size: 10

Scenario Cost: \$16,953.24

Scenario Cost/Unit: \$1,695.32

Cost Details (by category):

Component Name	ID	Component Description	Unit	Price (\$/unit)	Quantity	Cost
Equipment/Installation						
Hand tools, tree planting	1590	Various hand tools for digging holes and planting trees such as augers, dibble bars, planting shovel, hoe-dad. Equipment only. Labor not included.	Hour	\$11.22	48	\$538.56
Foregone Income						
Fl, Corn Dryland	1959	Dryland Corn is Primary Crop	Acre	\$238.74	10	\$2,387.40
Labor						
General Labor	231	Labor performed using basic tools such as power tool, shovels, and other tools that do not require extensive training. Ex. pipe layer, herder, concrete placement, materials spreader, flagger, etc.	Hour	\$18.70	96	\$1,795.20
Supervisor or Manager	234	Labor involving supervision or management activities. Includes crew supervisors, foremen and farm/ranch managers time required for adopting new technology, etc.	Hour	\$36.51	8	\$292.08
Materials						
Tree shelter, solid tube type, 5" x 48"	1571	5" x 48" tree tube for protection from animal damage. Materials only.	Each	\$2.04	3000	\$6,120.00
Cable ties, plastic	1575	Plastic cable ties (typ. 8-12") to assist in securing items. Materials only.	Each	\$0.05	6000	\$300.00
Stakes, wood, 3/4" x 3/4" x 60"	1583	3/4" x 3/4" x 60" wood stakes to fasten items in place. Includes materials only.	Each	\$1.52	3000	\$4,560.00
Tree, hardwood, seedling or transplant, bare root, 6-18"	1509	Bare root hardwood trees 6-18" tall. Includes materials and shipping only.	Each	\$0.32	3000	\$960.00