

**Soil Erosion Enhancement Activity – SOE02 - Protection of Cultural Resource**



**Cultural Resource Protection**

Stabilization and protection of identified cultural resource and/or historic properties with vegetation to prevent damage from erosion and loss of cultural and historic deposits, including associated artifacts.

**Land Use Applicability**

Cropland, pasture land, range land and forest land.

**Benefits**

Culturally important and historic sites can be damaged by erosion. Historic and prehistoric cultural deposits, including associated artifacts and features can be lost or destroyed making later study or interpretation of the sites impossible. Revegetating these areas with conservation cover can protect the sites from further damage and loss of cultural and historic remains.

**Criteria for Protection of Cultural Resources**

- Areas to be protected must be identified as a culturally significant or historic site and documented as such in one of the following ways:
  - 1) Listed on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP)
  - 2) Determined eligible for listing on NRHP through Section 106 review (National Historic Preservation Act compliance).
  - 3) State government or Tribal government registry.
  - 4) State government or Tribal government inventory of historic places.
- Areas must be protected from further degradation by revegetating with conservation covers that emphasize the use of native species that enhance fish and wildlife habitat including pollinator habitat.

**Documentation Requirements**

- Documentation that the site meets one of the 4 criteria listed above.
- A map or sketch showing the location and extent of the area that is protected.
- Documentation of the plant species used for revegetation.



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If you have any questions regarding this Enhancement Activity, please contact Elisha Mackling, State Archeologist, at (402) 437-4128 or by e-mail at [elisha.mackling@ne.usda.gov](mailto:elisha.mackling@ne.usda.gov).

Pollinator habitat areas will include a minimum of ten (10) flowering plant species including forbs, legumes, and vines, which will comprise at least 50% of the seeding rate (by number of seeds/sq. ft., not by weight). Plantings will be composed of native species. The planting will include as a minimum three early, three mid and three late flowering species from the NRCS state list.

All site preparation and plant establishment shall be accomplished according to the appropriate NRCS conservation practice standards and specifications.

Once established, management or maintenance activities such as mowing, haying, grazing must be conducted outside of the growing season or period of bloom.

### Native Forbs

#### Early

- Blanketflower
- Canada milkvetch
- Illinois bundleflower
- Leadplant
- Purple coneflower
- Purple prairieclover
- Roundhead lespedeza
- Scarlet globemallow
- Western yarrow
- White prairieclover

#### Middle

- Blackeyed Susan\*
- Blanketflower
- Canada goldenrod
- Canada milkvetch
- Dotted gayfeather
- False sunflower
- False boneset
- Illinois bundleflower
- Leadplant
- Missouri goldenrod
- Plains coreopsis\*
- Prairie sunflower
- Purple coneflower
- Purple prairieclover
- Roundhead lespedeza
- Scarlet globemallow
- Showy partridgepea
- Stiff goldenrod
- Stiff sunflower
- Upright coneflower
- Western yarrow
- White aster
- White prairieclover
- Wild bergamot\*

#### Late

- Canada goldenrod
- Dotted gayfeather
- False sunflower
- False boneset
- Maximilian sunflower\*
- Missouri goldenrod
- Prairie sunflower
- Showy partridgepea
- Stiff goldenrod
- Stiff sunflower
- Upright coneflower
- White aster

\* = only appear in one season (no native forbs appear in all three seasons)



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**Participant Acknowledgement Statement:**

I agree to apply this enhancement under the terms and conditions of my CSP contract and understand the requirements of the activity.

Tract	Field	Acres	Site Number	Description of previous plant vegetation	Description of plant species used for Revegetation

**I certify that the stabilization and protection of identified cultural resource and/or historic properties with vegetation, meets these specifications including the following documentation as applicable:**

Complete, sign, and attach Grass Seeding Jobsheet NE-CPA-8.

**Certified by:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_