United States Department of Agriculture
Natural Resources Conservation Service

386 Field Border Implementation Requirements

Producer: _____ **Project or Contract:** _____

Location: _____ **County:** _____

Farm Name: _____ **Tract Number:** _____

Practice Location Map

(showing detailed aerial view of where practice is to be installed on farm/site, showing all major components, stationing, relative location to any landmarks, and survey benchmarks)

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Description of work:

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NRCS Review Only

Designed By: _____ **Date:** _____

Checked By: _____ **Date:** _____

Approved By: _____ **Date:** _____

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Implementation Requirements

The Practice Purpose(s):

_____ Reduce erosion from wind and water
_____ Protect soil and water quality
_____ Manage pest populations
_____ Provide wildlife food and cover and pollinator habitat
_____ Increase carbon storage
_____ Improve air quality

Field Number/Location: _____ **Acres Installed:** _____ **Seeding Date:** _____

Average Width: _____ **Minimum Width:** _____ **Field Border Length:** _____

Site Preparation: _____

Planting Method: _____

Planting Description (*e.g.* shrubs established on outside edge of area, *etc.*):

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SEEDING RATES AND SPECIES (woody species units are plants/linear ft)

Plant species	Lbs/acre of seed (PLS)	Total Lbs of seed for planned acreage
TOTALS =>	0.00	0.00

FERTILIZERS AND AMENDMENTS

Fertilizer Element	Fertilizer Form	Fertilizer Amount (lbs/acre)
N	*e.g. DAP*	as N
P	*e.g. DAP*	as P_2O_5
K	*e.g. K_2SO_4*	as K_2O
S	*e.g. K_2SO_4*	as S
Lime		
Gypsum		

Operation and Maintenance: (check all that apply)

_____ Repair storm damage.

_____ Remove sediment from above or within the field border when accumulated sediment either alters the function of the field border or threatens the degradation of the planted species' survival.

_____ Shut off sprayers and raise tillage equipment to avoid damage to field borders.

_____ Shape and reseed border areas damaged by animals, chemicals, tillage, or equipment traffic.

_____ Maintain desired vegetative communities and plant vigor by liming, fertilizing, mowing, disking, or burning and controlling noxious weeds to sustain effectiveness of the border.

_____ Repair and reseed ephemeral gullies and rills that develop in the border.

_____ Minimally invasive tillage (e.g. paraplowing) may be performed in rare cases where compaction and vehicle traffic have degraded the field border function. The purpose of the tillage is strictly to decrease bulk density and increase infiltration rates so as to provide a better media for reestablishment of vegetation and field border function.

_____ Maintenance activities that result in disturbance of vegetation should not be conducted during the nesting season of grass nesting birds.

_____ Avoid vehicle traffic when soil moisture conditions are saturated.