

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
 NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE
 OREGON

**OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE WORKSHEET
 HEAVY USE PROTECTION
 CODE 561**

Landowner/Operator						
Job Location						
County				SWCD		
Farm/Tract No.				Referral No.		
Prepared By					Date	

Operation and Maintenance Items

Properly operated and maintained heavy use protection is an asset to the area. Heavy use protection was designed and installed as a travelway for vehicles, maintenance equipment, and personnel. Estimated life span of this installation is at least 10 years. The life of the structure can be assured and usually increased by developing and carrying out a good operation and maintenance program.

This practice will require periodic maintenance and may also require operational items to maintain satisfactory performance. A good operation and maintenance program includes:

- ⇒ Maintain road, parking lot and pathway surfaces in good condition, which includes periodic grading and addition of surface material when necessary. Prevent surface ponding by localized grading or addition of surface materials to remove depressions. Road base-course rock may be required to stabilize the road and parking lot foundation. If so, remove unstable materials and rebuild travelway.
- ⇒ Promptly repair or replace damaged components.
- ⇒ Remove debris or blockage in road, parking lot and pathway drainage ditches, drop inlets, culverts, bridges, waterways and storm water outlets. Maintain road, parking lot and pathway drainage capacities.
- ⇒ Remove debris and liter from road, parking lot and pathway surfaces, adjoining land areas ditches and drainage facilities.
- ⇒ Eradicate or otherwise remove all rodents or burrowing animals. Immediately repair any damage caused by their activity.
- ⇒ Immediately repair any vandalism, vehicular, or livestock damage to earthfills, side slopes, drainage facilities, water ways and storm water outlets or other appurtenances.
- ⇒ Maintain good vegetative cover, mulches, and other covering installed for erosion protection. Limit traffic with fencing or barriers, where needed.

Special Operation and
Maintenance Requirements