

**OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE**  
**Clearing and Snagging (326)**  
**Tennessee**

Landowner/Operator: \_\_\_\_\_

Practice Location: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_ Farm/Tract Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Prepared By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Operation and maintenance activities are required to achieve the intended function, benefits, and life of the practice. The landowner/operator is responsible to establish and implement an effective operation and maintenance program that includes periodic inspections.

Items to inspect and maintain during the 5-year design life of the practice include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Inspect the practice area after significant storm events and at least annually to identify areas of decreased channel capacity, streambed erosion, sedimentation, stream bank undermining or instability, and other problems.
2. Remove downed trees and other debris that are causing flow capacity or erosion problems as quickly as possible. Promptly repair all damaged areas.
3. Re-establish vegetation immediately where erosion or other conditions have removed bank vegetation. Re-seed, fertilize, mulch, and maintain the vegetated areas as necessary for the vegetation to grow and stabilize the impacted area.
4. Keep inlets and outlets of side drainage structures and channels open. Repair damaged areas.
5. Keep machinery off steep stream banks and slopes and out of the water. Inform equipment operators of all potential hazards.
6. Maintenance activities may require additional environmental permits. Obtain all required environmental permits prior to starting such activities.

**SIGNATURES**

Landowner/Operator: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewer: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_