

STATEMENT OF WORK
Prescribed Forestry (409)
TENNESSEE

These deliverables apply to this individual practice. For other planned practice deliverables refer to those specific Statements of Work.

DESIGN**Deliverables**

1. Design documents that demonstrate criteria in NRCS practice standard have been met and are compatible with planned and applied practices.
 - a. Practice purpose(s) as identified in the forest management plan.
 - b. Practice standard criteria-related computations and analyses to develop plans and specifications including, but not limited to:
 - i. Determination of the harvest-regeneration strategy and the species of tree and understory vegetation to be retained or established.
 - ii. Timing and method of removal for trees and understory to be eliminated.
 - iii. Mitigation of wildfire hazard, erosion, runoff, soil compaction, and soil displacement to acceptable levels.
 - d. Evaluation and completion of TN-CPA-25, Environmental Effects for Conservation and Areawide Plans.
2. Written plans and specifications including sketches and drawings shall be provided to the client that adequately describes the requirements to install the practice and obtain necessary permits.
3. Documentation of needed operation and maintenance.
4. Certification that the design meets practice standard criteria and complies with applicable laws and regulations.
5. Certification that required Best Management Practices are scheduled.
6. Design modifications during installation as required.

Note: If it is necessary to plant additional desirable trees to have the desired trees per acre, utilize the conservation practice standard Tree/Shrub Establishment (612) and where needed Tree/Shrub Site Preparation (490).

INSTALLATION**Deliverables**

1. Pre-application conference with client.
2. Verification that client has obtained required permits.
3. Layout and, as applicable, sample marking of 'leave' trees or 'take' trees according to plans and specifications, including applicable layout notes.
4. Purpose for the practice and management needed for species saved.
5. Tree stocking level, such as basal area or average tree spacing.
6. Cutting cycle.
7. Method of treatment for the area, including restrictions on areas set aside for preservation.
8. Report the area treated in acres.
9. Facilitate and implement required design modifications with client and original designer.
10. Advise client/NRCS on compliance issues with all federal, state, tribal, and local laws, regulations, and NRCS policies during installation.
11. Certification that the application process and materials meet design and permit requirements.

CHECK OUT**Deliverables**

1. Records of application.
 - a. Extent of practice units applied in acres.
 - b. Actual mitigation measures used and applied.
 - c. Purpose for treatment and management needed.
 - d. Species composition and spacing.
 - e. Cutting cycle.
2. Certification that the application meets NRCS standards and specifications and is in compliance with permits.
3. Certification that Best Management Practices were followed.
4. Progress reporting.

STATEMENT OF WORK
Prescribed Forestry (409)
TENNESSEE

REFERENCES

- NRCS *Field Office Technical Guide* (eFOTG), Section IV, Conservation Practice Standards Forest Stand Improvement (666), Riparian Forest Buffer (391), Tree/Shrub Establishment (612), Tree/Shrub Site Preparation (490).
- NRCS *National Forestry Handbook* (NFH), Part 636.4.
- NRCS *National Environmental Compliance Handbook*.
- NRCS *Cultural Resources Handbook*.
- Tennessee Department of Agriculture *Guide to Forestry Best Management Practices in Tennessee*.