

**OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PLAN  
FOR  
RESIDUE AND TILLAGE MANAGEMENT – NO TILL/STRIP TILL/DIRECT SEED**

Landowner/user:

Date:

Address:

A properly developed and maintained **No Till/Strip Till/Direct Seed Practice** is an asset to your farm operation and to the environment. Implementation of No Till/Strip Till/Direct Seed, which leaves plant residues on the soil surface all year long with the use of limited soil disturbance, may provide many benefits including: reducing soil erosion caused by water and wind, improve soil organic matter, increase plant-available moisture and provide food and escape cover for wildlife.

This practice will require you to perform periodic operation and maintenance to maintain satisfactory performance. Operation and maintenance is comprised of the following activities:

**Operation and Maintenance**

- Periodic practice review to determine if adjustments or modifications are needed.
- All residues shall be uniformly distributed over the entire field.
- Soil disturbing activities are limited to activities that are necessary to place nutrients, condition residue and plant crops.
- Residues shall not be burned.
- No full-width tillage shall be performed.

**Specific Additional Requirements for Your Practice:**