

Conservation Practice Lifespans – Vermont

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Practice	Code	Units	Practice Lifespan
Access Control	472	Acres	10 years
Access Road	560	Feet	10 years
Agrichemical Handling Facility	309	Number	15 years
Anaerobic Digester	366	Number	25 years
Animal Mortality Facility	316	Number	15 years
Animal Trails and Walkways	575	Feet	10 years
Brush Management	314	Acres	1 year **
Channel Bed Stabilization	584	Feet	10 years
Clearing and Snagging	326	Feet	5 years
Closure of Waste Impoundments	360	Number	15 years
Composting Facility	317	Number	15 years
Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan – Written *	102	Number	1 year
Conservation Cover	327	Acres	5 years
Conservation Crop Rotation	328	Acres	1 year
Conservation Plan Supporting Organic Transition – Written *	138	Number	1 year
Contour Buffer Strips	332	Acres	5 years
Contour Farming	330	Acres	5 years
Cover Crop	340	Acres	1 year
Critical Area Planting	342	Acres	10 years
Diversion	362	Feet	10 years
Dry Hydrant	432	Each	15 years
Early Successional Habitat Development/ Management	647	Acres	1 year
Feed Management	592	Number and AU	1 year
Fence	382	Feet	20 years
Field Border	386	Feet	10 years
Filter Strip	393	Acres	10 years
Fish Passage	396	Miles	5 years
Forage and Biomass Planting	512	Acres	5 years
Forage Harvest Management	511	Acres	1 year
Forest Management Plan – Written *	106	Number	1 year
Forest Stand Improvement	666	Acres	10 years
Forest Trails & Landings	655	Acres	5 years
Grade Stabilization Structure	410	Number	15 years
Grassed Waterway	412	Acres	10 years
Grazing Management Plan – Written *	110	Number	1 year
Heavy Use Area Protection	561	Acres	10 years
Hedgerow Planting	422	Feet	15 years
Herbaceous Weed Control	315	Acres	1 year **
Integrated Pest Management	595	Acres	1 year
Integrated Pest Management Plan – Written	114	Number	1 year
Irrigation Pipeline	430	Feet	20 years
Irrigation Reservoir	436	Number & Ac Ft	15 years
Irrigation System-Microirrigation	441	Number & Acres	15 years
Irrigation System-Sprinkler	442	Number & Acres	15 years
Irrigation System, Surface & Subsurface	443	Number & Acres	15 years
Irrigation Water Management	449	Acres	1 year

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Irrigation Water Management Plan – Written	118	Number	1 year
Lined Waterway or Outlet	468	Feet	15 years
Monitoring Well	353	Number	15 years
Mulching	484	Acres	1 year
Nutrient Management	590	Acres	1 year
Nutrient Management Plan – Written	104	Number	1 year
Obstruction Removal	500	Acres	10 years
Pipeline	516	Feet	20 years
Pond	378	Number	20 years
Pond Sealing or Lining – Bentonite Sealant	521C	Number	15 years
Pond Sealing or Lining – Compacted Clay Treatment	521D	Number	15 years
Pond Sealing or Lining – Flexible Membrane Lining	521A	Number	20 years
Pond Sealing or Lining – Soil Dispersant	521B	Number	20 years
Prescribed Burning	338	Acres	1 year
Prescribed Grazing	528	Acres	1 year
Pumping Plant	533	Number	15 years
Residue and Tillage Management, Mulch Till	345	Acres	1 year
Residue and Tillage Management, No-Till/Strip Till/Direct Seed	329	Acres	1 year
Residue and Tillage Management, Ridge Till	346	Acres	1 year
Residue Management, Seasonal	344	Acres	1 year
Restoration and Management of Rare and Declining Habitats	643	Acres	1 year
Riparian Forest Buffer	391	Acres	15 years
Riparian Herbaceous Cover	390	Acres	5 years
Roof Runoff Structure	558	Number	15 years
Roofs and Covers	367	Number	10 years
Row Arrangement	557	Acres	5 years
Sediment Basin	350	Number	20 years
Solid/Liquid Waste Separation Facility	632	Number	15 years
Spring Development	574	Number	20 years
Stream Crossing	578	Number	10 years
Stream Habitat Improvement and Management	395	Acres	5 years
Streambank and Shoreline Protection	580	Feet	20 years
Stripcropping	585	Acres	5 years
Structure for Water Control	587	Number	20 years
Subsurface Drain	606	Feet	20 years
Surface Drainage, Field Ditch	607	Feet	15 years
Trails and Walkways	568	Feet	15 years
Tree/Shrub Establishment	612	Acres	15 years
Tree/Shrub Pruning	660	Acre	10 years
Tree/Shrub Site Preparation	490	Acres	1 year
Underground Outlet	620	Feet	20 years
Upland Wildlife Habitat Management	645	Acres	1 year
Vegetated Treatment Area	635	Acres	10 years
Waste Storage Facility	313	Number	15 years
Waste Transfer	634	Number	15 years
Waste Treatment	629	Number	10 years
Waste Utilization	633	Acres	1 year

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Water & Sediment Control Basin	638	Number	10 years
Water Well	642	Number	20 years
Water Well Decommissioning	351	Number	20 years
Watering Facility	614	Number	20 years
Wetland Creation	658	Acres	15 years
Wetland Restoration	657	Acres	15 years
Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management	644	Acres	1 year
Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment	380	Feet	15 years
Windbreak/Shelterbelt Renovation	650	Feet	15 years

** National variance provided for several Northeastern States for fiscal year 2011 to deviate from the national 10 year to a 1 year lifespan.