



OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PLAN

“POWER FENCE”

Landowner/Operator: _____ **Date:** _____

Address: _____

Legal description of practice location: SEC _____ T _____ R _____

OVERVIEW

A properly operated and maintained fence is an asset to your farm. This fence was designed and installed to control movement of animals and people. The performance life of this installation can be assured and usually increased by developing and carrying out a good operation and maintenance program.

This practice will require you to perform periodic operation and maintenance to maintain satisfactory performance. The following recommendations will help you in performing adequate operation and maintenance.

GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Electric fence will be regularly checked to determine the voltage of the fence. If voltage is not sufficient, determine cause and correct.
2. Inspection of fences after storm events is necessary to ensure the continued proper function of fence. Immediately repair or replace damaged or broken fencing.
3. Retain and properly discard all broken fencing material and hardware. All necessary precautions should be taken to ensure the safety of construction and maintenance crews.
4. Remove fallen limbs and maintain proper tension on the fence wires. Overhanging trees and limbs should be trimmed or removed as needed.
5. Inspect fence wires remove any debris, tighten any loose wires and replace any damaged wires.
6. Inspect fence posts for decay and damage and replace as needed.
7. Inspect and maintain gates in proper working order.
8. Fence repairs will be made with materials that equal or exceed the quality of the original materials.
9. Clear the brush from fence lines to reduce voltage loss. Vegetation control can be achieved by herbicides applied per manufacture's label.

