



Conservation Practice Overview

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Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management (Code 644)

Wetland wildlife habitat management involves developing or managing habitat for wetland wildlife.

Practice Information

This practice is used to create or improve habitat for waterfowl, furbearers, or other wildlife. It can be applied on or adjacent to wetlands, rivers, lakes, and other water bodies where wetland-associated wildlife habitat can be managed.



The practice is planned for specific species of wildlife. Specifications for the application of this practice may include items such as:

- Seasonal water depths necessary to provide adequate habitat during different seasons of the year,
- Plant species required for reproduction, food, and cover by target species of wildlife.
- Management of vegetation to assure sustainability.

Invasive plant species and Federally/State listed noxious and nuisance species shall be controlled on the site.

Common Associated Practices

Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management (644) is commonly applied with conservation practices such as Wetland Restoration (657), Wetland Enhancement (659), Structures for Wildlife (649), Wildlife Habitat Planting (420), Restoration and Management of Rare and Declining Habitats (643), Shallow Water Development and Management (646), Upland Wildlife Habitat Management (645), Prescribed Burning (338), and Riparian Forest Buffer (391).

For further information, contact your local NRCS field office.