Animal Enhancement Activity –ANM18- Retrofit Watering Facility for Wildlife Escape

Enhancement Description
Retrofit existing watering facilities (troughs, tanks, etc.) to allow for the escape of wildlife that becomes trapped while trying to drink.

Land Use Applicability:
Pastureland, rangeland and forestland

Benefits
This practice will provide wildlife with a means of escape while utilizing a livestock water facility as a water source. It is also intended to replace escape structures that are not functioning properly.

Criteria
Wildlife escape structures for watering facilities must met the following requirements:

1. Extend into the water and meet the inside wall of the watering facility
2. Reach to the bottom of the watering facility
3. Be firmly secured to the rim of the watering facility so as not to be displaced by livestock
4. Be built of graspable, long-lasting materials, such as painted or coated metal grating, roughened fiberglass, concrete, rock and mortar, or high-strength plastic composites.
5. Have a slope no steeper than 45 degrees
6. Be located to cause minimal interference with livestock drinking
7. One structure for every 30 linear feet of watering facility edge.

Documentation Requirements

1. Producer will provide a photograph that clearly shows properly installed escape/access device for each water facility

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Documentation Form

Producer Name:			**Date:**	
Tract Number(s):			**County:**	
Field Number	**# of Troughs or Tanks with >20 linear ft of edge**	**# of Troughs or Tanks with <20 linear ft of edge**	**# of Retrofits Installed**	**Date Installed**

The documentation submitted accurately reflects the implementation of this enhancement.

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