

Idaho-NRCS

**CONSERVATION PRACTICES EXEMPTED FROM CULTURAL REVIEW
WITHIN THE NEZ PERCE RESERVATION**

It has been determined the following list of NRCS Conservation Practices do not have the potential to cause an effect to a significant Historic Properties as defined under 36 CFR PART 800.3 either under all conditions or when they meet the conditions indicated in the third column. All proposed project practices must meet the conditions of this list to qualify for an exemption. Any use of an exemption must be documented on the “Cultural Resources” section of the Environmental Evaluation Worksheet (CPA-52). For projects outside the Nez Perce Reservation use the [Idaho Conservation Practices Exempted for Cultural Review](#) list.

Note: Any activity or practice that will result in an effect to a historic property is considered an undertaking regardless of its status relative to this attachment.

PS#	PRACTICE NAME	EXEMPT <u>ONLY</u> UNDER THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS	PRACTICE DESCRIPTION
(472)	Access Control	No new construction.	The temporary or permanent exclusion of animals, people, & vehicles from an area.
(311)	Alley Cropping	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Trees or shrubs planted in a set or series of single or multiple rows with agronomic, horticultural crops or forages cultivated in the alleys between the rows of woody plants.
(591)	Amendments for the treatment of waste water	All conditions.	Treatment of manure process wastewater, storm water runoff from lots or other high intensity areas, and other wastes, with chemical or biological additives.
(450)	Anionic Polyacrylamide Erosion Control	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Application of water-soluble Anionic Polyacrylamide (PAM) to meet a resource concern.
(370)	Atmospheric Resource Quality Management	All conditions.	A combination of treatments to manage resources that maintain or improve atmospheric quality.
(310)	Bedding	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Plowing, blading, or otherwise elevating the surface of flat land into a series of broad, low ridges separated by shallow, parallel dead furrows.
(327)	Conservation Cover	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Establishing and maintaining perennial vegetative cover to protect soil and water resources on land retired from agricultural production.
(328)	Conservation Crop Rotation	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Growing crops in a recurring sequence on the same field.
(332)	Contour Buffer Strips	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Narrow strips of permanent, herbaceous, vegetative cover established across the slope and alternated down the slope with parallel, wider cropped strips.
(330)	Contour Farming	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Farming sloping lands so that preparing, planting, and cultivating are done on the contour.
(331)	Contour Orchard and Other Perennial Crops	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Planting orchards and vineyards, or small fruits so that all cultural operations are done on the contour.
(340)	Cover Crop	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	A crop of close growing grasses, legumes, or small grain grown primarily for seasonal protection and soil improvement.
(342)	Critical Area Planting	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Planting vegetation, such as trees, shrubs, vines, grasses, or legumes, on highly erodible or critically eroding areas.
(589A)	Cross Wind Ridges	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Ridges formed by tillage or planting and aligned across the prevailing wind erosion direction.
(589C)	Cross Wind Trap Strips	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Herbaceous cover resistant to wind erosion established in one or more strips across the prevailing wind erosion direction.
(554)	Drainage Water Management	All conditions.	Controlling the removal of surface or subsurface runoff, primarily through the operation of water control structures.
(373)	Dust Control on Unpaved Roads and Surfaces	All conditions.	Controlling direct particulate matter emissions produced by vehicle and machinery traffic or wind action from unpaved roads and other surfaces by applying a palliative on the surface.
(647)	Early Successional Habitat Development/Management	All conditions.	Manage early plant succession to benefit desired wildlife or natural communities.

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(592)	Feed Management	All conditions.	Management of quantity and quality of feed for livestock.
(386)	Field Border	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	A strip or perennial vegetation established at the edge of a field by planting or by converting it from trees to herbaceous vegetation or shrubs.
(393)	Filter Strip	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	A strip or area of vegetation for removing sediment, organic matter, and other pollutants from runoff and wastewater.
(394)	Firebreak	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	A strip of bare land or fire-retarding vegetation.
(399)	Fishpond Management		Developing or improving impounded water to produce fish for domestic use or recreation.
(512)	Forage and Biomass Planting	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Establishing and reestablishing long term stands of adapted species of perennial, biennial, or reseeding forage plants.
(511)	Forage Harvest Management	All conditions.	The timely cutting and removal of forages from the field as hay, greenchop, or silage.
(383)	Fuelbreak	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	A strip of land on which the vegetation, debris and detritus have been reduced and/or modified to control or diminish the risk of fire crossing the strip or block of land.
(412)	Grassed Waterways	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	A natural or constructed channel that is shaped or graded to required dimensions and established in suitable vegetation for the stable conveyance of runoff.
(422)	Hedgerow Planting	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Establishing a living fence of shrubs or trees in, across, or around a field.
(603)	Herbaceous Wind Barriers	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Herbaceous vegetation established in rows or narrow strips across the prevailing wind direction.
(595)	Integrated Pest Management	All conditions.	Utilizing environmentally sensitive prevention, avoidance, monitoring and suppression strategies, to manage weeds, insects, diseases, animals and other organisms (including invasive and noninvasive species), that directly or indirectly cause damage or annoyance.
(428)	Irrigation Water Conveyance - Ditch and Canal Lining	Within existing or previously tilled cropland or with no new ground disturbance	A lining of impervious material or chemical treatment, installed in an irrigation ditch, canal, or lateral.
(449)	Irrigation Water Management	All conditions.	Determining and controlling the rate, amount, and timing of irrigation water in a planned efficient manner.
(484)	Mulching	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Applying plant residues or other suitable materials not produced on the site to the soil surface.
(379)	Multi-Story Cropping	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Existing or planted stands of trees or shrubs that are managed as an overstory with an understory of woody and/or non-woody plants that are grown for a variety of products.
(590)	Nutrient Management		Managing the amount, form, placement, and timing of applications of plant nutrients.
(512)	Pasture & Hay Planting	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Establishing and reestablishing long term stands of adapted species of perennial, biennial, or reseeding forage plants.
(521C)	Pond Sealing or Lining – Bentonite Sealant	Within footprint of existing pond only.	A liner for a pond or waste impoundment consisting of a compacted soil-bentonite mixture.
(521D)	Pond Sealing or Lining – Compacted Clay Treatment	Within footprint of existing pond only.	A liner for a pond or waste storage impoundment constructed using compacted soil without soil amendments.
(521A)	Pond Sealing or Lining – Flexible Membrane	Within footprint of existing pond only.	A manufactured hydraulic barrier consisting of a functionally continuous layer of synthetic or partially synthetic, flexible material.
(521B)	Pond Sealing or Lining –Soil Dispersant	Within footprint of existing pond only.	A liner for a pond or waste impoundment consisting of a compacted soil-dispersant mixture.
(528)	Prescribed Grazing	All conditions.	The controlled harvest of vegetation with grazing or browsing animals.

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(550)	Range Planting	Within existing or previously tilled cropland or Broadcast seeding only.	Establishment of adapted perennial vegetation such as grasses, forbs, legumes, shrubs, and trees.
(345)	Residue & Tillage Management – Mulch Till	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Managing the amount, orientation, and distribution of crop and other plant residue on the soil surface through mulching
(329)	Residue & Tillage Management – No Till/Strip Till/Direct Seed	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Any tillage and planting system in which at least 30 percent of the soil surface is covered by plant residue after, planting to reduce soil erosion by water; or, where soil erosion by wind is the primary concern, at least 1000 pounds per acre of flat small grain residue-equivalent are on the surface during the critical erosion period.
(346)	Residue & Tillage Management –Ridge Till	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Managing the amount, orientation, and distribution of crop and other plant residue on the soil surface through ridge tillage.
(344)	Residue & Tillage Management –Seasonal	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Managing the amount, orientation, and distribution of crop and other plant residue on the soil surface on a seasonal basis.
(643)	Restoration and Management of Declining Habitats	All conditions.	Restoring and managing rare and declining habitats and their associated wildlife species to conserve biodiversity.
(391)	Riparian Forest Buffer	Within existing or previously tilled cropland or without any new plantings	Leaving or Establishing an area of trees and/or shrubs adjacent to watercourses or water bodies.
(390)	Riparian Herbaceous Cover	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Riparian areas are ecosystems that occur along watercourses or at the fringe of water bodies. Riparian herbaceous cover consists of grasses, grass-like plants, and forbs.
(557)	Row Arrangement	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Establishing a system of crop rows on planned grades and lengths primarily for erosion control and water management.
(610)	Salinity and Sodic Soil Mngt.	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Reducing or redistributing the harmful concentrations of salt and/or sodium in a soil.
(798)	Seasonal High Tunnel for Crop Production	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	A seasonal polyethylene covered structure with no electrical, heating, and/or mechanical ventilation systems that is used to cover crops to extend the growing season in an environmentally safe manner.
(585)	Stripcropping	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Growing crops in a systematic arrangement of strips on the contour to reduce water erosion.
(609)	Surface Roughening	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Roughening the soil surface of a cultivated field by ridge or clod forming tillage.
(660)	Tree/Shrub Pruning	All conditions.	Removing all or selected branches from trees and shrubs.
(645)	Upland Wildlife Habitat Mngt.	With no new construction.	Creating, maintaining, or enhancing areas for food and cover for upland wildlife.
(635)	Vegetated Treatment Area	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	An area of permanent vegetation used for agricultural wastewater treatment.
(601)	Vegetative Barriers	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Permanent strips of stiff, dense vegetation along the general contour of slopes or across concentrated flow areas.
(367)	Waste Facility Cover	All conditions.	A fabricated rigid, semi-rigid, or flexible membrane for a waste treatment or storage facility.
(633)	Waste Utilization	All conditions.	Using agricultural waste or other waste on land in an environmentally acceptable manner while maintaining or improving soil and plant resources.
(355)	Well Water Testing	All conditions.	Testing for physical, biological and chemical characteristics of well water.
(644)	Wetland Wildlife Habitat Mngt.	With no new construction.	Retaining, creating, or managing wetland habitat for wildlife.
(380)	Windbreak/Shelterbelt Est.	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Linear plantings of single or multiple rows of trees or shrubs for environmental purposes.
(650)	Windbreak/Shelterbelt Renovation	Within existing or previously tilled cropland.	Widening, partial replanting, removing and replacing selected trees and shrubs to improve an existing windbreak.