

Continuous CRP Re-Enrollments

Indiana – August 2008 (ver. 1.1)

Vegetation Already Established Program Job Sheet

Landowner:			County:		
Farm:	Tract:	Field(s):	Acres:	Date:	
Applicable Practice:					

REQUIRED ACTIONS

No Actions Required: current condition of the CRP practice(s) meet the purpose of practice standards and CRP requirements.

Minor Repairs must be completed within 1 year of contract approval.

- Fill** to repair drainage tile, ruts and/or minor erosion.
 - _____ of **sized stone** will be needed. Fill the gully/rill to the top of the existing ground level.
 - _____ of **soil** will be needed. Fill the gully/rill to the top of the existing ground level and re-seed according to the attached specifications.
 - _____ **square feet of sod** will be needed.
 - _____ **square feet of erosion control blanket** will be needed.
- Edge Disking:** to spread sediment and debris deposits that currently exist along edges of the practice(s).
 - ✓ **Disk** the areas with accumulated sediment to a level that surface water can enter the vegetated areas.
 - ✓ **Re-Seed** the disked areas according to the attached specifications
- Vegetation Re-Establishment:** see the attached specifications for details.

Species Control must be completed within 1 year of contract approval.

- The following noxious weeds currently exist and state law requires that they be controlled:
 Recommended Control Method(s):
- The following unapproved species currently exist and must be controlled to no more than 10% of the CRP acreage:
 . Recommended Control Method(s):

Re-Construction: see the attached engineering designs for details.

Other:

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OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Maintenance activities are allowed only on a spot basis and only if necessary to maintain stand health, maintain stand diversity, or control pests that will damage the CRP cover or adjacent lands.

- ✓ **Inspect** the practice on a seasonal basis and following major storm and runoff events. Any damages or sediment accumulation that would adversely impair the function of the practice must be corrected.
 - ✓ **Channels or rills** must be immediately repaired.
 - ✓ **Sediment** within the practice should be removed before it accumulates to a height higher than 6 inches. Level and re-establish sheet flow. Re-seed if necessary.

Replace dead trees and shrubs or grass as needed to insure that the practice functions as intended.

✓ **Control Unapproved Vegetation** to ensure the practice functions as intended.

Potential Unapproved Vegetation likely to encroach on your site includes
Recommended Control Method(s):

Mowing*: only allowed when used as a preparation method for Mid-contract Management practices, such as prescribed burning or strip disking, or as needed for operation and maintenance of grass practices.
Mowing for Generic Weed Control or Cosmetic Purposes is prohibited.

Native Grass = 12" MINIMUM Mowing Height*

Non-Native Grass = 4" MINIMUM Mowing Height*

Prescribed Burning: according to an approved burn plan, and as a method to control volunteer trees and brush.

Herbicide (per label): to control volunteer trees, brush, weeds and/or invasive species

Other:

***NOTE: Weed control and other maintenance activities will not be conducted from April 1 to August 1. All activities will be on a "spot" basis only, unless prior approval is granted by the FSA County Committee.**

MID-CONTRACT MANAGEMENT (Grasses only) STARTING IN YEAR:

The predominant cover consists of woody vegetation, or is a grassed waterway, so Mid-Contract Management is not required.

Prescribed Burning **Strip Spraying** **Strip Disking** **Inter-seeding**

The Specific Mid Contract Management Activity will be decided by the participant in the scheduled year based on condition of the vegetation, site considerations, capabilities of the participant, etc.

✓ Treatment will not occur more than once every 3 years on the same acreage. Reimbursement will be dependant on the activity(s) performed based on local FSA Not-To-Exceed rates.

For CRP Mid-contract Management specifications see:
<http://www.in.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/CRP/crphomepage.html>

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

REQUIRED ACTIONS

See the attached specifications sheet for any required actions. Any actions must be completed within one (1) year after CRP Re-Enrollment contract approval.

OPERATION and MAINTENANCE

- Vegetation will be maintained according to your CRP conservation plan.
- Maintenance activities are allowed only if necessary to maintain stand health or diversity, or to control pests that may damage the CRP cover or adjacent lands.
- In grass or grass/legume plantings, volunteer brush and trees should be controlled by use of prescribed burning (with an approved burn plan), spot disking, or spot spraying.
- Noxious weeds (such as Canada Thistle and Johnsongrass), and unapproved species (such as Autumn Olive, Bush Honeysuckle, Multiflora Rose, Reed Canarygrass etc.) must be controlled. Additional resources include:
 1. *2006 Weed Control Guide for Ohio and Indiana* - Bulletin 789, Publication # WS16
<http://www.btny.purdue.edu/Pubs/WS/WS-16/ProblemWeeds.pdf>
 2. Noxious and Invasive Weeds and The Weed Laws in Indiana
<http://www.btny.purdue.edu/weedscience/2005/WeedLaw05.pdf>
- Maintenance activities will be conducted on a **“spot” basis only**.
- Maintenance activities are not allowed from **April 1 - August 1** to protect ground-nesting wildlife. If maintenance activities are needed within these dates, the FSA County Committee **must** approve the maintenance activity **prior to** the activity occurring.
- **Mowing is only allowed when used as a preparation method for Mid-contract Management practices, such as prescribed burning or strip disking, or as needed for operation and maintenance of grass practices.**
- **Mowing for generic weed control or for cosmetic purposes is strictly prohibited.**

- All acres should be excluded from haying and grazing year round, unless authorized.
- The contract area may not be used for field roads or other uses that will damage or destroy the cover.
- **Inspect** the practice on a seasonal basis and following major storm and runoff events. Any damages or sediment accumulation that would adversely impair the function of the practice must be corrected.
- **Replace** dead trees and shrubs or grass as needed to insure that the practice functions as intended.
- Protect the drainage area above the practice against erosion to the extent that expected sedimentation will not shorten the planned effective life of the practice. Consider such practices as Residue Management (No-Till, Mulch Till, etc.), Conservation Crop Rotation, Contour Farming, Cover Crops, etc.

MID-CONTRACT MANAGEMENT

All new CRP contracts must include scheduled mid-term contract management activities that are site specific and will ensure plant diversity, wildlife habitat, and protection of soil and water resources. Management activities that will ensure these benefits include prescribed burning (according to an approved burn plan), strip disking, strip spraying, and inter-seeding of legumes. All management activities must be performed according to Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Standards and Specifications as found in the electronic Field Office Technical Guide (eFOTG) and CRP policy.

Mid-contract Management Practices for practices originally planted to trees are not required unless requested by the participant and included in a management plan.

Mid-contract Management Practices are not required for grass waterways.

If using herbicide for any purpose, work with a local consultant or Purdue Extension Specialist to determine the best herbicide combination and timing. Follow the manufacturer's label rates and guidelines when applying herbicides.

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Noxious and unapproved Species – Additional Information

NOTE: control of the species identified in your plan must be initiated within the first year of CCRP Re-Enrollment contract approval. Since these species have a tendency to re-appear from seed and other methods, annual monitoring and follow-up control efforts are required to ensure the species are controlled to and maintained at the acceptable levels described in your plan. Follow-up efforts are not be eligible for cost-share.

General References	
Invasive.org:	Source for information and images of invasive & exotic species (includes information on bio-control agents) http://www.invasive.org/
<input type="checkbox"/>	Autumn Olive, Bur Cucumber, Canada Thistle, Johnsongrass, Quackgrass, and Shattercane: 2007 Weed Control Guide for OH and IN (Pub WS16W) Includes section on weed control in grass pastures (pages 164-170), and weed responses to herbicide. http://www.btny.purdue.edu/Pubs/WS/WS-16/
<input type="checkbox"/>	Buckthorn, Glossy: (IPSAWG) Fact Sheet http://www.in.gov/dnr/files/glossy_buckthorn_factsheet.pdf
<input type="checkbox"/>	Honeysuckle, Asian Bush: (IPSAWG) Fact Sheet http://www.in.gov/dnr/files/Bush_Honeysuckle.pdf
<input type="checkbox"/>	Honeysuckle, Japanese: (IPSAWG) Fact Sheet http://www.in.gov/dnr/files/Japanese_Honeysuckle.pdf
<input type="checkbox"/>	Japanese Knotweed: (IPSAWG) Fact Sheet http://www.in.gov/dnr/files/Japanese_Knotweed.pdf
<input type="checkbox"/>	Kudzu in Indiana (WS-30-W) http://www.btny.purdue.edu/weedscience/2004/articles/Kudzu3-8-04.pdf
<input type="checkbox"/>	Olive, Autumn: (IPSAWG) Fact Sheet http://www.in.gov/dnr/files/Autumn_Olive.pdf
<input type="checkbox"/>	Multiflora rose: Identification, Biology, Control and Management Resources http://www.invasive.org/browse/subject.cfm?sub=3071
<input type="checkbox"/>	Multiflora Rose: (USFS Weed of the Week 3-15-06) http://www.na.fs.fed.us/fhp/invasive_plants/weeds/multiflora-rose.pdf
<input type="checkbox"/>	Periwinkle, Common: (USFS Weed of the Week 2-1-06) http://www.na.fs.fed.us/fhp/invasive_plants/weeds/common-periwinkle.pdf
<input type="checkbox"/>	Phragmites: (IPSAWG) http://www.in.gov/dnr/files/phragmitesrecommendations.pdf
<input type="checkbox"/>	Purple Loosestrife: IDNR http://www.in.gov/dnr/files/purple_loosestrife.pdf
<input type="checkbox"/>	Reed Canarygrass: (IPSAWG) Fact Sheet http://www.in.gov/dnr/files/Reed_Canarygrass.pdf
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sorghum Alnum: (Indiana Select-A-Herb) http://btny.agriculture.purdue.edu/herbsel/
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tall Fescue: (IPSAWG) Fact Sheet http://www.in.gov/dnr/files/tall_fescue_discussion_and_recommendations.doc
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tree of Heaven: (USFS Weed of the Week 3-19-06) http://www.na.fs.fed.us/fhp/invasive_plants/weeds/tree-of-heaven.pdf