Livestock Pipeline (516)

A livestock pipeline is a pipeline installed to convey water for livestock or wildlife.

Practice Information

The purpose of this practice is to convey water from the source of supply to the point(s) of use. Normally, the objective is to decentralize the location of drinking or water storage facilities. The practice is applicable where water must be piped to another location(s) for management purposes, to conserve the supply, or for reasons of sanitation.

Pipelines installed under this practice are generally for livestock management purposes. A single water source can provide livestock water to several locations and be very effective in improving management of a grazing unit.

Livestock pipelines are also used to provide or distribute drinking water facilities for wildlife.

The livestock pipeline will require maintenance over the expected life of the practice.

Common Associated Practices

Livestock Pipeline (516) is commonly applied with conservation practices, such as Water Well (642), Spring Development (574), Pond (378), Prescribed Grazing (528), Fence (382), and Watering Facility (614).

For further information, contact your local NRCS field office.