

Conservation Practice Standard Overview

Recreation Area Improvement (562)

Recreation area improvement involves establishing plants or reducing stand density and trimming woody plants to improve an area's recreational value.

Practice Information

This practice is used to increase the attractiveness and usefulness of recreation areas and to protect the natural resources.

Recreation area improvement may involve establishing grasses, legumes, vines, shrubs, trees, or other plants that enhance recreational values. The practice may also include selectively reducing existing stands of vegetation or trimming woody plants, such as trees and shrubs, to improve an area for the planned recreational use.

Conservation benefits may include but are not limited to improved wildlife habitat and reduced wildfire hazard.

Common Associated Practices

Recreation Area Improvement (562) is commonly applied with conservation practices,



such as Recreation Land Grading and Shaping (566), Recreation Trail and Walkway (568), Brush Management (314), Tree/Shrub Pruning (660), Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment (380), Windbreak/Shelterbelt Renovation (650), Access Control (472), Fence (382), Critical Area Planting (342), Heavy Use Area Protection (561), and Herbaceous Weed Control (315).

For further information, contact your local NRCS field office.