



KANSAS SUPPLEMENT TO CONSERVATION ENHANCEMENT ACTIVITY

CONSERVATION STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

E512M- Forage planting that improves wildlife habitat cover and shelter or structure and composition

Conservation Practice 512: Forage and Biomass Planting

Additional Criteria for Kansas

- In addition to the criteria specified in National Enhancement E512M, the following apply in Kansas:
 - Use either the Lesser Prairie-chicken or the Greater Prairie-chicken WHEG found in Kansas Biology Technical Note KS-36 when grassland birds are the species of concern on Pasture land use. For other wildlife species and land uses, use the CART national wildlife questions for the appropriate land use. In order to convert to a WHEG score, take the CART score and divide by 100. Example: CART score = 50, WHEG score would be calculated $(50/100) = 0.50$
 - Use Kansas Conservation Practice Standard 512, Forage and Biomass Planting, Practice Specifications, for detailed guidance on meeting criteria and for management practices during establishment.
 - Seeding mix must contain at least 2 native grasses and 1 native forb/legume.
 - Protect planting, during establishment, from grazing (unless targeted for weed control) and disturbance during the following nesting and fawning dates:
 - Upland bird nesting dates—April 15 to July 15
 - Migratory bird nesting dates—April 1 to July 15
 - Fawning dates—May 20 to June 10
 - When livestock are included in the system:
 - Utilize Kansas Conservation Practice Standard 528, Prescribed Grazing, Construction Specifications, for grazing plan guidance, requirements, and documentation.



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Additional Documentation Requirements for Kansas

- In addition to the documentation requirements specified in National Enhancement E512M, the following apply in Kansas:
 - Use Form KS-ECS-4, Grass Seeding, for seeding design and certification.

