

Definition

The removal and disposal of buildings, structures, plant material, garbage, or any other unwanted material in order to apply conservation practices and facilitate the planned use of the land.

Obstruction Removal (500)



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Conditions:

Applies to lands where there are obstructions that interfere with the use and enjoyment of the lands and their development, public safety and infrastructures. This practice is not designed for the removal of obstructions in aquatic environments.

Practice Information

This practice applies to the safe removal, disposal and reconditioning of any type of material that prevents or hinders the installation of conservation practices, or presents a danger or obstacle to their use or enjoyment. The purpose of this practice is to improve site conditions in order to apply conservation practices or improve the use of the area. If possible, the recycling of materials to be removed should be the first option.

The site may be abandoned mine lands, construction sites, recreational areas, farms, or areas affected by natural disasters. This practice does not apply to waterbodies. Obstruction removal will require maintenance of the installed practice throughout its life span.



Associated Practices

Obstruction Removal (500) is commonly applied with conservation practices such as Critical Area Planting (342), Conservation Cover (327), Access Road (560), and Dust Control on Unpaved Roads and Surfaces (373).

For More Information

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