

# TECHNICAL NOTE

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## Forestry / Agroforestry Technical Note 1

### RIPARIAN FOREST BUFFERS – BENEFITS AND DESIGNS

This coversheet provides links to three short documents from a series relating to riparian forest buffer concepts, designs and considerations published by the USDA National Agroforestry Center in 1997. The fourth link is to a manual for conservation buffers also published by the USDA National Agroforestry Center in 2008.

**Riparian Buffers for Agricultural Land - AF-3** [definition and benefits]

<http://nac.unl.edu/documents/agroforestrynotes/an03rfb02.pdf>

**How to Design a Riparian Buffer for Agricultural Land - AF-4** [design steps]

<http://nac.unl.edu/documents/agroforestrynotes/an04rfb03.pdf>

**A Riparian Buffer Design for Cropland - AF-5** [a general example with suggestions for customization]

<http://nac.unl.edu/documents/agroforestrynotes/an05rfb04.pdf>

**Conservation Buffers – Design Guidelines for Buffers, Corridors, and Greenways**  
[a comprehensive reference manual]

[http://nac.unl.edu/buffers/docs/conservation\\_buffers.pdf](http://nac.unl.edu/buffers/docs/conservation_buffers.pdf)