U.S. Department of Agriculture
Conservation Reserve Program CP29, Marginal Pastureland Wildlife Habitat Buffer
Documentation of Suitability and Feasibility Worksheet (Version 2.2 March 2020)

Name of Client: 
Client Phone Number: ( ) _______ - ________
Client email:

Farm Number: 
Tract Number: 
Field Number(s): 
Location Description: 
State: 
County:

*Refer to the Worksheet Instructions for guidance on completing a Suitability and Feasibility Determination.

CP29, Marginal Pastureland Wildlife Habitat Buffer Practice Purpose: Remove nutrients, sediment, organic matter, pesticides, and other pollutants from surface runoff and subsurface flow by deposition, absorption, plant uptake, denitrification, and other processes, and thereby reduce pollution and protect surface water and subsurface water quality while enhancing the ecosystem of the water body.

Element #1 Site Conditions/Program Requirements
Identify if offer area meets CP29 site condition criteria by checking all of the following:

☐ Offer area is immediately adjacent and parallel to a qualifying water body for CP29.
   *Refer to Worksheet Instructions for definitions of water bodies.
   - Stream having perennial flow
   - Stream having seasonal or intermittent flow
   - Sinkhole or karst area
   - Permanent water body, such as lake or pond, that provides at least a seasonal flow of surface water off the farm
☐ Offer area is not less than 20 feet in width
☐ Offer area does not exceed an average of 120 feet in width. (When the minimum design specification for water quality exceeds 120 feet, the minimum design is the maximum average width that may be enrolled. NRCS must document in writing the need for a minimum design in excess of 120 feet.)
☐ Current vegetation for the site is grasses, shrubs and/or forbs.

Current Cover Type in Offer Area: ________________________________
Current Land Use in Offer Area: ________________________________

☐ YES – All Site Conditions Referenced Above are Met
☐ NO – Site Conditions Not Met

Element #2 Practice Needs
Is there a resource concern within the offer area that is targeted by CP29 per the practice purpose?
*If existing cover is solving the resource concern(s) in the practice purpose, then the determination must be that the CP is not needed. Reference Worksheet Instructions for guidance on CRP contract re-enrollment.

Indicate which NRCS resource concern cause(s) are present within the offer area (minimum of 1 to meet practice need):

☐ Water Quality Degradation: Excess nutrients in surface and ground waters
☐ Water Quality Degradation: Pesticides transported to surface and ground waters
☐ Water Quality Degradation: Excess pathogens and chemicals from manure, bio-solids or compost applications
☐ Water Quality Degradation: Excessive salts in surface and ground waters
☐ Water Quality Degradation: Petroleum, heavy metals and other pollutants transported to receiving waters
☐ Water Quality Degradation: Excessive sediment in surface waters
☐ Inadequate Habitat for Fish and Wildlife: Habitat Degradation

☐ YES – Practice is Needed
☐ NO – Practice Not Needed
Element #3 Practice Feasibility

Will the implementation of CP29 solve or address the resource concern(s) listed in the practice purpose?
*Provide documentation to FSA if minimum design width exceeds 120 feet to address water quality per NRCS practice standard.

☐ YES – Practice is Feasible  ☐ NO – Practice is Not Feasible

Element #4 Practice Suitability

Are the offered acres suitable for installation of the NRCS conservation practices needed to apply CP29?
*Offer area must be suitable for the enhancement of the current grass, shrub and forb plant community to provide water quality improvement and wildlife habitat benefits.

☐ YES – Practice is Suitable  ☐ NO – Practice is Not Suitable

Suitability and Feasibility Determination Findings:

☐ The location and size of the offered acres as shown on the CRP-2C, digital imagery/map meet all four elements of the Suitability and Feasibility determination.

☐ The offer DOES NOT meet the Suitability and Feasibility requirements. Check the element(s) that were not met.

☐ Site Conditions/Program Requirements
☐ Practice Needs
☐ Practice Feasibility
☐ Practice Suitability

☐ Modification of the offer (either location, size or practice) would result in meeting all four S&F determination elements. See documentation.

Documentation:

Provide information supporting the determination of each element in this section.
Conservation Planner has attached or provided to FSA (check all that applies):

☐ Notes on form NRCS CPA-6  ☐ Map
☐ Photo’s  ☐ Electronic File with GPS Points or GIS Shapefile
☐ Other: ___________________________

Field Visit Completed by: ___________________________  Date: ___________ Date returned to FSA: ___________

Suitability and Feasibility Determination Completed by: ___________________________