

STATEMENT OF WORK
Conservation Cover (327)
Michigan

These deliverables apply to this individual practice. For other planned practice deliverables, refer to those specific Statements of Work.

DESIGN**Deliverables:**

1. Design documents that demonstrate criteria in NRCS practice standard have been met and are compatible with planned and applied practices.
 - a. Practice purpose(s) as identified in the conservation plan
 - b. List of required permits to be obtained by the client
 - c. List all required and/or facilitating practices
 - d. Practice standard criteria-related computations and analyses to develop plans and specifications including, but not limited to:
 - i. Planting dates
 - ii. Seedbed Preparation and Seeding Method
 - iii. Fertilizer and Lime Requirements
 - iv. Seeding Rates and Species
 - v. Seed Quality conforms to MI Act 623 and 329 and Regulation 715
 - vi. Management of vegetation after establishment
 - vii. Wildlife considerations
2. Written plans and specifications including sketches and drawings shall be provided to the client that adequately describe the requirements to install the practice and obtain necessary permits. Plans and specifications shall be developed in accordance with the conservation practice standard Conservation Cover (Code 327).
3. Operation and maintenance plan.
4. Certification that the design meets practice standard criteria and complies with applicable laws and regulations.
5. Design modifications during application as required.
6. Applicable Conservation sheets or job sheets include CREP-CP2.

INSTALLATION**Deliverables**

1. Pre-application conference with client.
2. Verification that client has obtained required permits.
3. Staking and layout according to plans and specifications including applicable layout notes.
4. Application guidance as needed.
5. Facilitate and implement required design modifications with client and original designer.
6. Advise client/NRCS on compliance issues with all federal, state, tribal, and local laws, regulations and NRCS policies during application.
7. Certification that the application process and materials meet design and permit requirements as required in electronic Field Office Technical Guide, Section IV, Conservation Cover, Plans and Specifications subsection.

CHECK OUT**Deliverables**

1. Records of application.
 - a. Extent of practice units applied
 - b. Actual materials used
2. Certification that the application meets NRCS standards and specifications and is in compliance with permits.
3. Progress reporting.

REFERENCES

- NRCS National Range and Pasture Handbook
- NRCS National Biology Manual
- NRCS National Environmental Compliance Handbook
- NRCS Cultural Resources Handbook
- NRCS MI AGRONOMY Conservation Sheets: Establishing Prairie Grass Buffer Strips, Establishing Cool Season Grasses and Legumes for Conservation Cover See MI eFOTG, Section IV, Specifications, Agronomy Section.