

2006 CSP Job Sheet IN-ENM-10 Nutrient Management

CONSERVATION BUFFERS - Nutrient Management Enhancements #10

DESCRIPTION - This enhancement maintains a minimum width of 40 feet of grass filter strips and/or natural vegetation buffers on all perennial water bodies (lakes, rivers, streams, ponds, wetlands, drainage ditches, etc...) on the operating unit. Increasing the width of new or established Filter Strips or Riparian Buffer Strips will reduce the off-site delivery of nutrients, sediments and pesticides.

Enhancement Requirements

The CSP participant will maintain vegetated buffers of at least 40 feet wide at any single point along *all* perennial water bodies on the operating unit.



40 FOOT BUFFERS - A buffer a minimum of 40 feet wide will be maintained in grasses; grasses/forbs/& legumes mixes; and/or natural vegetation (trees are acceptable). Refer to local NRCS Field Office for seeding and planting recommendations.

For all widths the vegetation will be retained in place annually to provide filtering benefits.

A contract may have only one buffer/filter strip enhancement.

Performance Requirements

Required Documentation = The CSP Participant will certify this activity annually by signing an annual payment certification letter and submitting it to the NRCS office servicing the contract.

Payment will be made on the entire cropland and/or pastureland acres on the tract which has all water bodies buffered. Enhancements must be established for one full crop season before payments can be made.

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