

APPENDIX B - LANDOWNER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

This appendix covers the landowner's responsibility for constructed conservation system with USDA assistance. The landowner is responsible for ensuring proper installation of all components of the NMP.

Landowner's Responsibility for Constructed Conservation Systems with USDA Assistance

	Landowner	Contractor	Technical Agency or TSP
During Planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Identifies problems and management objectives. ▪ Checks utility locations. ▪ Assists with survey and site investigation as needed. ▪ Identifies needed permits. ▪ Selects from conservation practice alternatives. ▪ Applies for cost-share, if desired. ▪ Obtains needed permits. ▪ Consults with regulatory agencies as needed. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inventory resources and identify resource problems. • Analyzes resource data. • Alerts landowner to apparent wetlands, threatened and endangered species, archeological sites, and utilities. • Formulates conservation practice alternatives to protect resources and meet objectives of landowner. • Evaluates alternatives. • Develops plan for landowner's selected alternative. • Conducts site investigations. • Informs landowner of operation and maintenance responsibilities. • Identifies needed permits.
During Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Is available for consultation. ▪ Follows up with historical society, if required. ▪ Obtains needed permits and easements. ▪ Identifies utilities and contacts utility company to locate buried utilities. ▪ Reviews design for agreement. ▪ Concurs in Operation, Maintenance, and Replacement Plan. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May provide assistance for survey and site investigation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surveys site, if needed. • Designs system based on plan. • Reviews design and specifications with landowner. • Prepares cost estimates for construction. • Develops operation and maintenance plan. • Develops Construction Quality Assurance Plan including staking, inspection, documentation, and certification. • Approves Design. • Informs landowner of safety responsibilities.