



Purpose

- Protect against prevailing winds to manage snow and decrease snow removal costs
- Enhance public safety
- Establish wildlife habitat
- Control erosion



Participating Organizations

USDA Farm Service Agency

<http://www.fsa.usda.gov/>

USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov>

Minnesota Department of Transportation

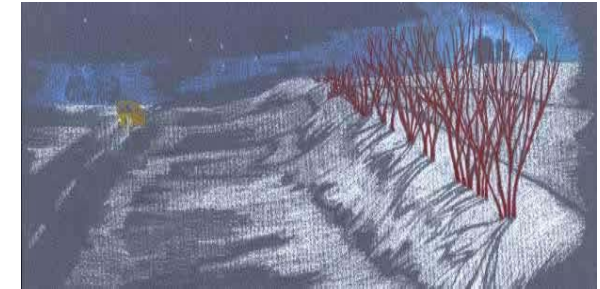
<http://www.dot.state.mn.us/environment/livingsnowfence/index.html>

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Conservation Practice 17A Living Snow Fence



Minnesota CRP Continuous Sign-up

Save Lives
Save Money
Save Time



CP17A Living Snow Fence

CRP Payments*

Cost-share

50 percent cost-share

Annual Rental Payment

Based on the three most predominant soils of the offer

Signing Incentive Payment

\$10 per acre for 10 years

CRP Eligibility*

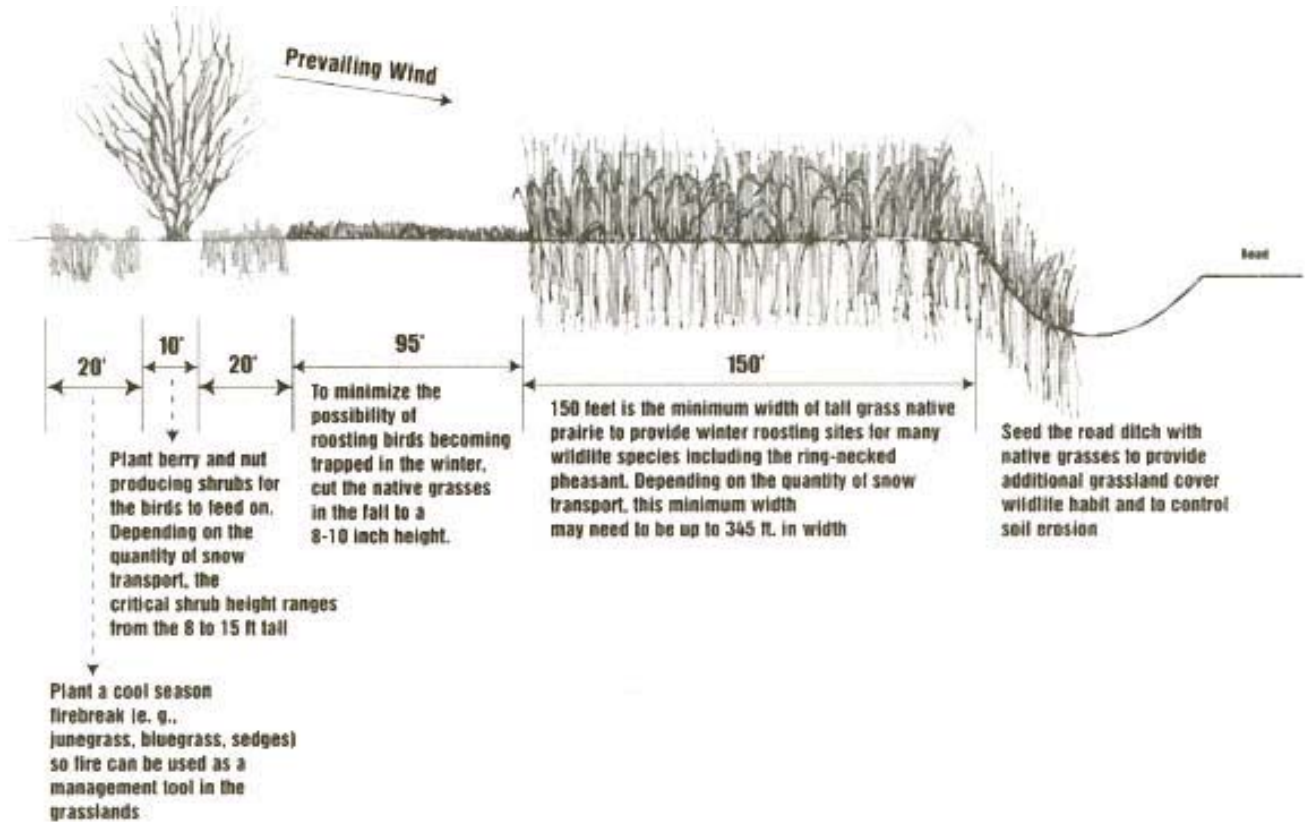
Land that has been cropped four out of the six years between 1996 to 2001

**Please contact the Minnesota Department of Transportation for further eligibility and additional incentives and payments*



For more information

Contact your local USDA Farm Service Agency.



Primary Benefits

- Preventing big drifts that lead to stranded motorists
- Improving driver visibility to reduce vehicle accidents
- Reducing use of the public's money by reducing plowing
- Using fewer plow truck drivers
- Lessening impacts on our environment with less salt use, fewer truck trips and less fuel consumption
- Reducing shipping delays for goods and services

Secondary Benefits

- Environmentally sound solution to improve snow management
- Serve as visual clues and/or landmarks to help drivers find their way
- Provide wildlife habitat
- Control soil erosion and reduce spring-time flooding
- Improve water quality
- Sequester carbon to reduce atmospheric carbon dioxide
- Increase crop yields by 10 percent or more
- Decrease home heating costs when placed around the farmstead
- Costs for livestock