

# 2024 Wildlife Subcommittee Discussions

- Prescribed fire updates
- Wildlife job approval authority fact sheets reviews
- Wildlife practice implementation requirement revisions
- Payment scenarios for practices
  - Changes to wildlife habitat planting Plug Scenario to better match actual costs.
  - Increase payments rates for Prescribed Burning
- CRP and Snowmobile Trail Guidance
- CRP Management

## Announcements, Networking, Troubleshooting and More...



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## Conservation Practice Standards Updates

1. Conservation Cover (327)
2. Hedgerow Planting (422)
3. Wetland Restoration (657)
4. Seasonal Water Management for Wildlife (646)
5. Field Border (386)
6. Upland Wildlife Habitat Management and Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management (644 and 645)

## Interim Wildlife Conservation Practice Standards

- 828 – Wildlife Habitat Site Preparation

## Wildlife Habitat Evaluation Guides (WHEGS)

- Bats
- Bluebirds
- and 16 more



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## National Changes Combining CPS 644-645 and Reduction of Redundancy in Wildlife CPS Scenarios

Natural Resources Conservation Service  
CONSERVATION PRACTICE STANDARD  
WILDLIFE HABITAT MANAGEMENT  
CODE 645

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### DEFINITION

Manipulating existing habitat by implementing actions to benefit target non-domesticated and non-feral vertebrate or invertebrate animal species.

### PURPOSE

This practice is used to maintain or improve existing habitat by reducing or eliminating threats, addressing identified habitat deficiencies (e.g. – food, cover, shelter, etc.) or improving connectivity of available habitat for the target wildlife species or guild by–

- Manipulating the vegetation to alter plant species diversity, composition, structural diversity, etc.
- Annual planting to provide food or cover.
- Altering the timing or manner of planting and harvesting of crops.
- Altering the timing or manner of management and maintenance of existing agricultural systems.



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## **Revising/Combining MN Biology Technical Notes**

- Revising Biology Job Sheets into IR sheets or guides

## **Wildlife Guide Sheets (15)**

- Review and update

## **Seeding Calculator Revisions and Updates**

## **Looking into payment rates**

**AND what you want to discuss, announce, change.**

