

## ***DFR-05 Woodland Protection through Livestock Exclusion***

### **Purpose**

Protect soil and plant resources from grazing by livestock.

### **Applicability**

Applies to existing woodland areas susceptible to excessive erosion due to livestock grazing.

### **Erosion Requirements**

Practice has no erosion requirements.

### **Specifications**

The completed practice must meet the NRCS Standards and Specifications for Fence (382) and Access Control (472) contained in the Field Office Technical Guide.

### **Policies**

1. The area to be excluded will be protected from fire and grazing for the lifespan of the practice.
2. The area where the practice will be installed must currently have livestock to qualify.
3. The area excluded must have adequate boundary fence prior to installing exclusion fence.
4. ***Cost-share is authorized for:***
  - a. Exclusion fence that lies within an existing functional interior or property line fence.
5. ***Cost-share is not authorized for:***
  - a. Fence that does not serve the purpose of excluding livestock, such as property lines, rights-of-way, or farm road boundaries.
  - b. Bringing electrical power to the site.
  - c. Clearing of rocks or other obstructions from the area.
  - d. Tree plantation.

### **Maximum State Cost-Share**

Assistance is limited to 75% of the county average cost, not to exceed the state average cost.

### **Map Requirements**

1. A CMT Map Number must be entered in MoSWIMS prior to contract approval. The map must show the following information that pertains to the contract:
  - Farm Perimeter
  - Existing Fence
  - Planned Fence
  - Acres treated with practice.
  - Any other feature that may affect the practice.

2. A map that displays the completed practice must be scanned and attached as a “Map Document” in MoSWIMS prior to contract payment submission.

**Technical Responsibilities**

Technical staff has the responsibility for determining the need for the practice, for design of the practice based upon the minimum extent necessary, and to certify that the completed practice meets NRCS standards and specifications within commission policy.

**Acres Served**

Acreage excluded from livestock.

**Extent Installed**

Linear Feet.

**Maintenance Life**

10 years.