

# Vegetation Removal Conservation Plan Check List

A Conservation Plan for vegetation removal activities includes site plan maps, narratives, drawings, job sheets or other instructions and details of the area (s) proposed for vegetation removal. The following elements are the minimum requirements for preparing a Conservation Plan when vegetation removal is required to meet County Conservation Standards.

- 1. Description of the intended purpose** of the proposed vegetation removal area, (examples: water view or access corridor, manage noxious and invasive species, restore native plant community, conduct land surveying, and soil investigations for future development.) and the method of treatment, (examples: manual removal, chemical treatment, biological treatment, or controlled fire.)
- 2. A scaled site maps showing the location** (s) of the proposed vegetation removal area delineated, (treatment area). If parcel is a waterfront property, mark the 35 foot line from the ordinary high water mark of any body of water and Identify and label any stairways, pathways, piers or other structures, if present. **Show areas to be left undisturbed.** Show drainage ways, wetlands, steep slopes, environmental corridor and any environmentally sensitive features present on the parcel. Show the location of soil borings, or site preparation work, if proposed. Submit the approved subdivision plat, if this removal of vegetation is planned in advance of the land disturbing construction or development activities.
- 3. Prepare a list of the plant species present (by scientific name),distribution and count,** transect line location and **number and description of the targeted tree, shrub and forb species to be cut and cleared.**
- 4. Describe and include instructions of the **vegetation removal (treatment) methods.**
  - ◆ Types of equipment used on the project site.
  - ◆ Schedule and sequence of vegetation removal (treatment) tasks and procedures.
  - ◆ Herbicide Name, if used, rate of application, date of application, mixing instruction, (if applicable or reference to label instructions).
  - ◆ Biological agent, (if used) timing, duration and intensity of grazing or browsing, requirements when using insects or plants as control agents.
  - ◆ Prepare and submit a controlled burn plan complying with County Conservation Standards, if proposed.
- 5. Identify methods and locations for the disposal of cut vegetation.
- 6. Identify and locate **access sites** to the treatment areas on the project site plan. New temporary access driveways may require a County-approved Construction Site Erosion Control Plan and conform with Wisconsin Conservation Practice Code # 1957, Stone Tracking Pad and Tire Washing.
- 7. Identify and locate all **erosion control methods** to be used on the project area; these methods can include, mulching, silt fencing, geo-textile covering or matting
- 8. Replanting Plans**
  - ◆ Replanting location(s) shown on a scaled site plan.
  - ◆ Listing by species (by scientific name) density, and maturity
  - ◆ Planting methods, including site preparation instructions,
  - ◆ Mulching or matting specifications
  - ◆ Prepare a planting schedule
  - ◆ Care and handling of plant materials
  - ◆ Watering plan
- 9. Evaluation and Maintenance Plan.** Include a narrative to insure that sufficient monitoring and maintenance of the project area is undertaken and spot treatment or re-treatment is conducted. (for example, mowing or weeding to achieve desired plant community).
- 10. A project schedule, phasing and sequencing plan.
- 11. Treatment areas with severe or limiting site conditions, such slope, soils, or wetness, may require additional site planning information and considerations.