



## CRITICAL AREA PLANTING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PLAN

All critical area plantings must be maintained and functioning for 10 years (5 years for single-family homes). At a minimum the following operation and maintenance items must be followed:

Critical area planting maintenance activities	Frequency
Checking new seedings and plantings	Every four days during establishment
Watering <i>*Use water conservation measures and rainwater reuse where available.</i>	As necessary <i>* very important during establishment</i>
<b>Vegetation survival</b>	
More than 80% survival	No action necessary
50-80% survival	Apply additional seed or appropriate plant material during next appropriate planting window
Less than 50% survival	Reseed/replant, re-examine original planting plan to ensure appropriate materials are used
Controlling weeds	As necessary, using mechanical removal where feasible
Mowing	As necessary, must maintain a minimum height <a href="#">based on this publication</a> for turf type species. Native plantings will not need mowing.
Applying lime and fertilizer	Apply at the recommended rates based on a soil test. In lieu of a soil test, <a href="#">refer to this publication</a> . After establishment, apply lime and fertilizer every 4 or 5 years at the recommended rates based upon a soil test (highly recommended) or in lieu thereof, <a href="#">refer to this publication</a> . Native plant materials will not need lime or fertilizer.

***Any critical area plantings found not performing its intended function may result in the applicant having to repay a prorated amount of the cost share funds received to install the practice.***

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Landowner Signature

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Date