

Watershed Agriculture Program Guideline

4.2.08

INVASIVE SPECIES OBSTRUCTION REMOVAL

The purpose of this guideline is to determine the need for obstruction removal of invasive species along fence lines that are beyond the normal Operation & Maintenance (O&M) of an approved BMP.

- 1) For the purpose of this guideline the invasive species list will be identified by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation - Title 6 of the New York Code of Rules and Regulations (NYCRR) Part 575 Prohibited and Regulated Invasive Species Express Terms information website <http://www.dec.ny.gov/regulations/93848.html>
- 2) Landowner/Producer(s) that have one or more of these invasive species that have excessively grown into the fences would be eligible for further review by the WAP Managers.
- 3) Excessive growth of invasive plants would have a minimum of 30 feet of continuous growth along the fence line and into the fenced area. This would be considered beyond the normal O& M.
- 4) Obstruction Removal (NRCS practice code 500) BMPs approved by the WAP Managers will be added to the Landowner/Producer(s) WFP-2. This practice will be limited to 1 occurrence per WFP.
- 5) Obstruction Removal BMPs shall be linked with the fence BMP(s) where applicable and bid as one project. No partial implementation of the project by the Landowner/Producer will be allowed.