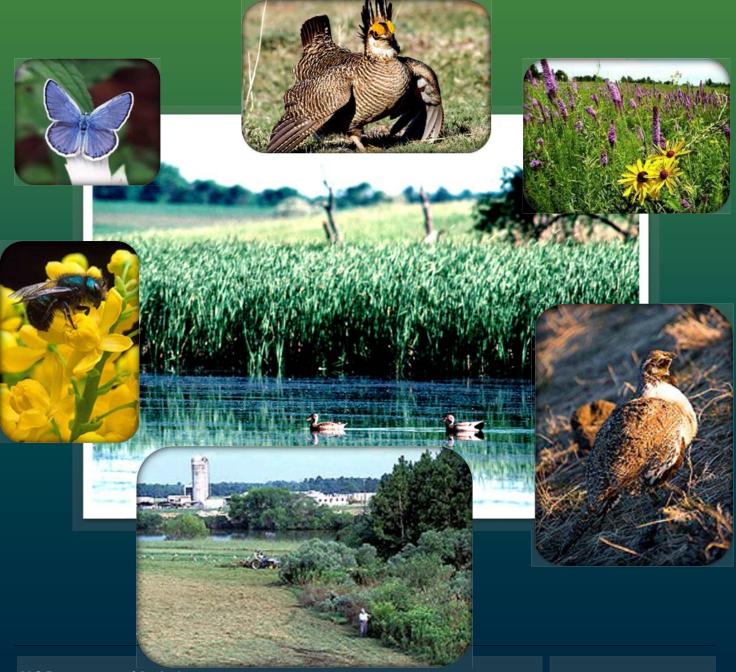


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Dear Conservation Supporters:

The Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) continues to thrive more than 30 years after its authorization in the 1985 Farm Bill. Being the largest voluntary conservation program, CRP provides environmental and economic benefits through partnerships with supporters like you.

CRP is no longer just an erosion-control program. It is a multifaceted program that not only provides natural habitat for wildlife, but also restores wetlands, protects streams, and removes carbon dioxide from the air. The environmental benefits and impacts are seen locally and nationally. CRP is one of the Department of Agriculture's most successful conservation programs.

CRP has prevented the erosion of more than 9 billion tons of soil, restored approximately 2.7 million acres of wetlands including grasses and trees, protected nearly 175,000 miles of streams, and removed hundreds of millions of tons of carbon dioxide from the air.

These conservation lands provide water quality protection, enhance wildlife habitat, and maintain soil productivity. CRP benefits local communities and suburban and urban residents, by protecting the water supply and air quality. It also provides numerous recreation benefits to Americans in the form of wildlife hunting and viewing.

CRP continues to promote partnerships with State and local conservation groups through the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP). Currently, there are 47 CREP agreements in 33 States that improve water quality by filtering agricultural runoff, reducing soil erosion, aiding in flood control, enhancing wildlife habitat, and providing additional protection for watersheds.

The 2016 announcement of the 49th CRP Signup built upon the 30-year legacy of cooperative conservation and continues to help our Nation's farmers and ranchers maintain a healthy environment and a sound agricultural economy. I hope you will come away from this report with informed perspectives about how farmers and ranchers make conservation programs an investment to conserve and protect America's greatest treasure: our natural resources.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Vilsack

Secretary

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CRP Overview

Background

The United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) is a voluntary land conservation program for agricultural producers who agree to remove environmentally sensitive land and grassland from agricultural production and plant species that will improve the health and quality of the environment. Producers enrolled in the CRP plant long-term, resource-conserving covers, such as introduced or native grasses or trees, to improve the quality of water, control soil erosion, and enhance wildlife habitat. In return, the FSA provides participants with rental payments and cost-share assistance for 10 to 15 years.

CRP has a 30 year legacy of successfully protecting the Nation's natural resources through voluntary participation, while providing significant economic and environmental benefits to rural communities across the United States. In 2015, as a result of CRP, the amount of nitrogen and phosphorous leaving farm fields were reduced by 500 million pounds and 100 million pounds, respectively, and improving water quality. CRP has restored more than 2.7 million acres of wetlands and associated buffers and reduces soil erosion by more than 200 million tons per year.

CRP also provides about \$2 billion annually to landowners through rental, cost share, and inventive payments—dollars that make their way into local economies, supporting small businesses and creating jobs. In addition, CRP sequesters more carbon dioxide than any other conservation program on private lands. Over the past 5 years, CRP has sequestered an average of 49 million metric tons of CO2 equivalent per year. This is equal to removing 9 million cars from the road annually.

The 49th CRP Signup

The 49th CRP general signup began on December I, 2015, and continued through February 26, 2016. As of August 2016, 24.2 million acres of land have been enrolled in a CRP contract.

Eligibility Criteria

For land to be eligible for general signup, it must be:

- Cropland that has been planted or considered planted to an agricultural commodity 4 of the 6 years between 2008 and 2013; and
- Physically and legally capable of being planted in a normal manner to an agricultural commodity.

Note: Alfalfa or other multiyear grasses and legumes grown in a rotation, not to exceed 12 years, also may be eligible.

Also, cropland must meet one of the following criteria:

- Have a weighted average Erodibility Index of eight or greater;
- Be expiring CRP; or
- Be located in a national or State conservation priority area.



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CRP Overview

General Signup

FSA enrolls most CRP acres during periodic "general sign ups" at special times announced by USDA. Land is bid into the program on a competitive basis and ranked based on environmental benefits and costs.

Land offers are evaluated and ranked using an Environmental Benefits Index (EBI) based on the environmental benefits expected to improve the land if it is enrolled in the CRP.

The EBI is used to ensure that the most environmentally-sensitive lands relative to cost are selected and that all offers are fairly considered.

The six EBI factors are:

- ■NI, Wildlife Habitat Cover Benefits;
- ■N2, Water Quality Benefits From Reduced Erosion, Runoff and Leaching;
- ■N3, On-Farm Benefits of Reduced Erosion;
- ■N4, Enduring Benefits;
- ■N5, Air Quality Benefits; and
- ■N6, Cost.

Rental and Cost Share Payments

CRP rental rates are based on local dryland cash rental rates. Producers may offer land at these rates or may offer a lower rental rate to increase the likelihood that their offer will be acceptable.

CRP cost share assistance is available to eligible participants in an amount not to exceed 50 percent of the eligible costs of establishing the approved practice.



Other CRP Initiatives

CRP - Grassland Initiative

The Grassland Reserve Program (GRP) was established through the 2014 Farm Bill, which builds on historic economic gains in rural America over the past six years while achieving meaningful reform and billions of dollars in savings for the taxpayer. The program provides up to 50 percent cost-share assistance for conservation covers such as cross fencing to support rotational grazing or improving pasture cover to benefit pollinators or other wildlife.

On May 5, 2016, Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack announced that up to 101,000 acres will be accepted during the first ranking period for the GRP sign-up, which will provide participants who establish long-term, resource-conserving covers with annual rental payments up to 75 percent of the grazing value of the land

The Department received nearly 4,629 offers on more than 1.0 million acres of land, demonstrating CRP's continuing appeal as one of our nation's most successful voluntary programs for soil, water, and wildlife conservation.

Over 97 percent of the acceptable acres were enrolled by a beginning farmer/rancher, veteran, or underserved producer. More than 70 percent of these acres are diverse native grasslands under threat of conversion.

Acres and offers are selected and ranked based on six CRP Grassland ranking factors that include:

- I. current and future use,
- 2. New and underserved producer involvement,
- 3. maximizing grassland preservation,
- 4. vegetative cover,
- 5. various environmental factors, and
- 6. pollinator habitat.



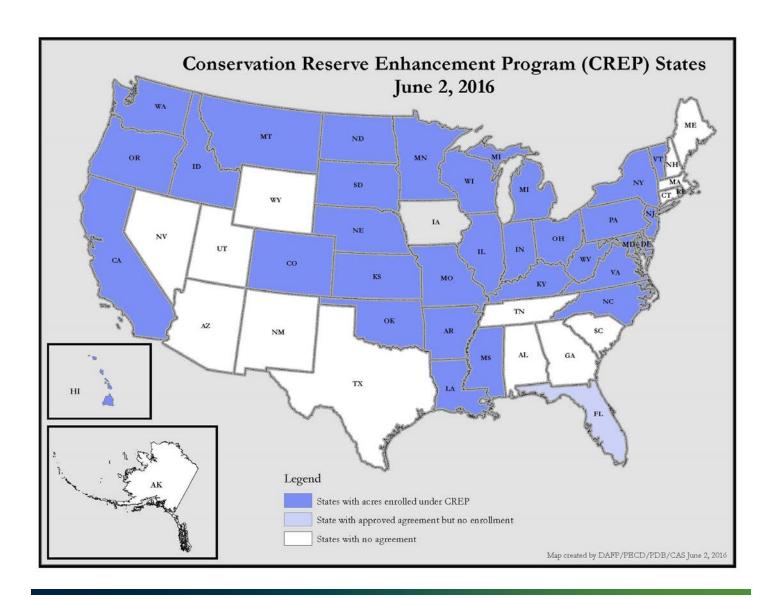
Other CRP Initiatives

Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program

The Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) is a continuous CRP signup program. It is voluntary and helps agricultural producers protect environmentally sensitive land, decrease erosion, restore wildlife habitat, and safeguard ground and surface water. The program is a partnership among producers; tribal, State, and Federal governments; and, in some cases, private groups.

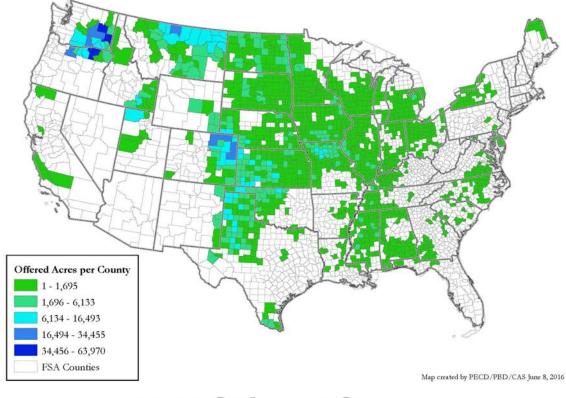
CREP includes targeted conservation practices such as filter strips and riparian buffers. These conservation practices help protect streams, lakes, and rivers from sedimentation and agricultural runoff.

As of August 30, 2016, there were 1.169 million acres enrolled in 47 CREP projects in 33 States.

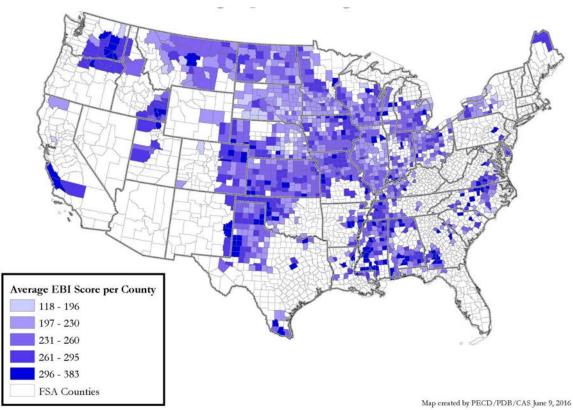


Offered Acres

FSA received 26,279 offers to enroll about 1.86 million acres

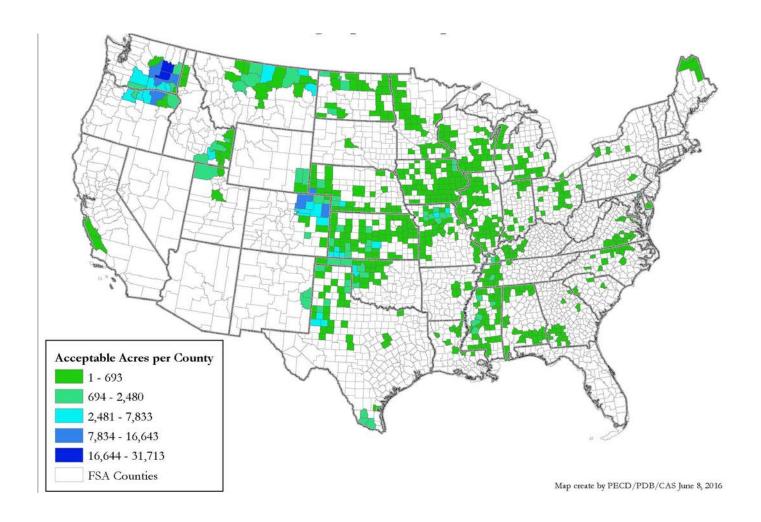


Average EBI Score



Acceptable Acres

About 410,773 acres on 4,857 offers were acceptable.



| | Table 1 - Offers Received, Acceptable Offers, and CRP Acreage | | | | | | |
|----------------|---|----------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| STATE | Offers Received | Acceptable Offers | Offered Acres | Acceptable Acres | Enrollment September 2016 | Expiring 9/30/2016 | Oct. 2016 Enrollment 1/ |
| U.S. | 26,279 | 4,842 | 1,857,414 | 407,416 | 23,880,556 | 1,657,034 | 23,491,305 |
| ALABAMA | 250 | 64 | 9,808 | 2,193 | 255,214 | 20,304 | 242,788 |
| ALASKA | 0 | 0 | 0,000 | 2,173 | 17,424 | 20,504 | 17,424 |
| ARIZONA | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 17,424 | 0 | 17,424 |
| ARKANSAS | 108 | 28 | 4,971 | 1,046 | 231,506 | 14,965 | 230,093 |
| CALIFORNIA | 11 | 3 | 2,021 | 718 | 79,611 | 5,919 | 74,410 |
| COLORADO | 1.093 | 342 | 180,921 | 48,005 | 1,853,269 | 150,305 | 1,777,478 |
| CONNECTICUT | 1,093 | 0 | 180,921 | 48,003 | 1,833,209 | 130,303 | 1,777,478 |
| DELAWARE | 26 | 5 | 458 | 176 | 4,568 | 1,620 | 4,207 |
| | | | 585 | 176 | | | |
| FLORIDA | 20 123 | 35 | | - | 31,478 | 1,282 | 30,239 |
| GEORGIA | _ | | 3,894 | 1,161 | 238,647 | 5,866 | 238,764 |
| HAWAII | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 996 | 19 | 977 |
| IDAHO | 224 | 57 | 28,902 | 10,544 | 569,089 | 20,915 | 566,895 |
| ILLINOIS | 2,426 | 160 | 49,330 | 2,157 | 894,302 | 94,394 | 890,179 |
| INDIANA | 365 | 44 | 7,638 | 851 | 236,075 | 21,982 | 232,117 |
| IOWA | 2,310 | 401 | 63,391 | 9,725 | 1,688,975 | 99,542 | 1,788,890 |
| KANSAS | 2,802 | 498 | 212,939 | 44,156 | 2,132,782 | 142,932 | 2,078,551 |
| KENTUCKY | 367 | 111 | 9,620 | 2,790 | 251,035 | 17,549 | 250,714 |
| LOUISIANA | 81 | 20 | 4,041 | 811 | 289,305 | 5,744 | 287,975 |
| MAINE | 5 | 1 | 130 | 18 | 7,996 | 202 | 7,812 |
| MARYLAND | 20 | 6 | 303 | 130 | 63,326 | 9,948 | 58,484 |
| MASSACHUSETTS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 10 |
| MICHIGAN | 568 | 30 | 13,539 | 923 | 158,051 | 41,386 | 126,033 |
| MINNESOTA | 1,367 | 149 | 31,662 | 2,966 | 1,153,092 | 92,319 | 1,129,200 |
| MISSISSIPPI | 622 | 210 | 36,419 | 13,155 | 724,431 | 59,868 | 705,052 |
| MISSOURI | 2,649 | 472 | 121,307 | 20,867 | 990,321 | 84,867 | 967,893 |
| MONTANA | 1,084 | 138 | 188,276 | 17,829 | 1,408,702 | 71,663 | 1,367,171 |
| NEBRASKA | 1,599 | 288 | 88,381 | 25,024 | 781,976 | 63,103 | 799,969 |
| NEVADA | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 146 | 0 | 146 |
| NEW HAMPSHIRE | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 8 | 5 |
| NEW JERSEY | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2,062 | 132 | 2,058 |
| NEW MEXICO | 39 | 12 | 8,926 | 2,332 | 435,521 | 4,016 | 449,454 |
| NEW YORK | 61 | 3 | 1,365 | 75 | 38,544 | 5,605 | 34,424 |
| NORTH CAROLINA | 152 | 70 | 2,263 | 1,171 | 75,699 | 10,620 | 66,881 |
| NORTH DAKOTA | 1,094 | 69 | 74,059 | 5,944 | 1,539,085 | 44,103 | 1,533,228 |
| OHIO | 350 | 37 | 5,625 | 541 | 263,371 | 21,559 | 257,456 |
| OKLAHOMA | 598 | 139 | 55,528 | 12,188 | 717,251 | 42,324 | 688,901 |
| OREGON | 508 | 169 | 110,534 | 27,812 | | 69,637 | 485,727 |
| PENNSYLVANIA | 3 | 2 | 20 | 9 | | 9,244 | 150,002 |
| PUERTO RICO | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 807 |
| RHODE ISLAND | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 28 | 0 | 28 |
| SOUTH CAROLINA | 35 | 11 | 1,166 | 443 | 79,965 | 3,693 | 78,016 |
| SOUTH DAKOTA | 727 | 2 | 42.352 | 101 | 977,434 | 58,038 | 972,785 |
| TENNESSEE | 306 | 99 | 8,957 | 3,665 | 139,150 | 12,852 | 135,816 |
| TEXAS | 1,452 | 197 | 216,735 | 28,505 | 2,988,614 | 136,682 | 2,912,294 |
| UTAH | 1,432 | 13 | 9,302 | 1,287 | 170,856 | 5,293 | 166,850 |
| VERMONT | 0 | 0 | 9,302 | 1,287 | 2,882 | 586 | 2,715 |
| VERMONT | - | 43 | | 982 | | | |
| | 211 | | 4,236 | | 51,370 | 10,401 | 45,529 |
| UTAH | 54 | 13 | 9,302 | 1,287 | | 5,293 | 166,850 |
| VERMONT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2,002 | 586 | 2,715 |
| VIRGINIA | 211 | 43 | 4,236 | 982 | 51,370 | 10,401 | 45,529 |
| WASHINGTON | 1,578 | 783 | 227,729 | 113,086 | | 171,442 | 1,206,330 |
| WEST VIRGINIA | 1 | 0 | 40 | 0 | 0,001 | 355 | 6,277 |
| WISCONSIN | 957 | 124 | 17,886 | 1,988 | | 22,821 | 231,770 |
| WYOMING | 33 | 7 | 12,155 | 2,043 | 188,337 | 932 | 190,435 |

| Table 2 - Description of Signup 49 Acceptable Acres | | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------------|--------------|---------------------------|--|--|-----------|--|--|
| STATE NAME | Expiring Sept. 2013 | New Lands | Average Rental Payment | Total Rental Payment (\$/Year) | Average EBI Score | | | |
| | (Acres) | (Acres) 1/ | (\$/Acre) | | without cost | with cost | | |
| NATIONAL | 199,397 | 208,019 | \$62.55 | \$25,482,767 | 224 | 321 | | |
| ALABAMA | 2,135 | 58 | \$52.16 | \$114,392 | 213 | 315 | | |
| ARKANSAS | 532 | 514 | \$74.97 | \$78,444 | 249 | 335 | | |
| CALIFORNIA | 718 | О | \$43.04 | \$30,921 | 237 | 338 | | |
| COLORADO | 27,803 | 20,202 | \$37.96 | \$1,822,483 | 204 | 314 | | |
| DELAWARE | 176 | 0 | \$77.01 | \$13,549 | 200 | 302 | | |
| GEORGIA | 910 | 251 | \$75.31 | \$87,414 | 233 | 317 | | |
| IDAHO | 2,034 | 8,510 | \$46.25 | \$487,697 | 214 | 316 | | |
| ILLINOIS | 1,200 | 958 | \$161.05 | \$347,430 | 270 | 310 | | |
| INDIANA | 751 | 99 | \$134.25 | \$114,177 | 252 | 313 | | |
| IOWA | 4,472 | 5,253 | \$198.09 | \$1,926,480 | 290 | 311 | | |
| KANSAS | 19,244 | 24,912 | \$49.53 | \$2,187,219 | 226 | 326 | | |
| KENTUCKY | 7 90 | 2,000 | \$143.37 | \$400,026 | 269 | 315 | | |
| LOUISIANA | 663 | 148 | \$53.44 | \$43,332 | 208 | 314 | | |
| MAINE | | | | | | | | |
| MARYLAND | 45 | 85 | \$100.77 | \$13,130 | 240 | 314 | | |
| MICHIGAN | 531 | 392 | \$89.42 | \$82,521 | 214 | 306 | | |
| MINNESOTA | 904 | 2,062 | \$101.04 | \$299,726 | 233 | 312 | | |
| MISSISSIPPI | 11,502 | 1,652 | \$68.06 | \$895,305 | 214 | 313 | | |
| MISSOURI | 6,333 | 14,534 | \$136.17 | \$2,841,322 | 260 | 310 | | |
| MONTANA | 4,285 | 13,544 | \$36.13 | \$644,191 | 200 | 307 | | |
| NEBRASKA | 5,219 | 19,805 | \$42.63 | \$1,066,747 | 244 | 346 | | |
| NEW MEXICO | 0 | 2,332 | \$31.76 | \$74,078 | 226 | 342 | | |
| NEW YORK | 58 | 17 | \$56.98 | \$4,267 | 221 | 318 | | |
| NORTH CAROLINA | 920 | 251 | \$58.18 | \$68,134 | 218 | 317 | | |
| NORTH DAKOTA | 2,315 | 3,629 | \$45.19 | \$268,594 | 202 | 307 | | |
| OHIO | 283 | 258 | \$105.13 | \$56,849 | 240 | 320 | | |
| OKLAHOMA | 3,784 | 8,404 | \$36.34 | \$442,960 | 203 | 313 | | |
| OREGON | 16,636 | 11,176 | \$67.96 | \$1,890,181 | 215 | 314 | | |
| PENNSYLVANIA | | | | | | | | |
| SOUTH CAROLINA | 443 | 0 | \$33.12 | \$14,665 | 201 | 331 | | |
| SOUTH DAKOTA | | | | • | | | | |
| TENNESSEE | 2,425 | 1,240 | \$112.88 | \$413,705 | 250 | 313 | | |
| TEXAS | 12,963 | 15,542 | \$38.79 | \$1,105,690 | | 323 | | |
| UTAH | 561 | 726 | \$42.30 | | | 317 | | |
| VIRGINIA | 660 | 322 | \$43.40 | | ACTUAL CONTRACTOR CONT | 321 | | |
| WASHINGTON | 66,931 | 46,155 | \$64.28 | | | 325 | | |
| WISCONSIN | 1,154 | 834 | \$109.09 | | 6 | 322 | | |
| WYOMING | 0 | 2,043 | \$28.94 | NAME OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PR | 353.772 871 | 306 | | |

^{1/} Includes land that may have been in CRP in the past.

| Table 3 - Description of Signup 49 Acceptable Acres | | | | | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------|---|---------------------------------|--|
| STATE NAME | Average Erodibility Index (EI) | Highly Erodible (Acres) | National Priority Area (Acres) | State Priority Area (Acres) | | Permanent Wildlife Habitat (Acres) | Pollinator Habitat Offers | Pollinator Habitat (Acres) |
| NATIONAL | 21 | 393,630 | 36,327 | 219,354 | 54,341 | | 444 | 3,530 |
| ALABAMA | 25 | 2,193 | 1,432 | 1,048 | 0 | | 0 | 3,330 |
| ARKANSAS | 19 | 923 | 1, 152 | 909 | 0 | | 0 | |
| CALIFORNIA | 19 | 718 | 0 | 718 | 0 | | 0 | O THE STATE OF THE |
| COLORADO | 17 | 48,005 | 0 | 0 | 384 | | 50 | 860 |
| DELAWARE | 2 | 0 | 176 | 0 | 0 | | 1 | 1 |
| GEORGIA | 12 | 1,069 | 1,063 | 104 | 0 | | 0 | 1 |
| IDAHO | 26 | 10,544 | 0 | 6,686 | 0 | | 4 | 86 |
| ILLINOIS | 28 | 2,144 | 0 | 1,271 | 0 | | 17 | 35 |
| INDIANA | 19 | 705 | 454 | 202 | 0 | | | 5 |
| IOWA | 34 | 9,701 | 923 | 6,805 | 5,462 | | 35 | 320 |
| KANSAS | 17 | 40,066 | 0 | 32,999 | 19,328 | | 39 | 250 |
| KENTUCKY | 52 | 2,790 | 0 | 2,707 | 628 | | 5 | 32 |
| LOUISIANA | 19 | 708 | 197 | 578 | 0 | | 1 | 5 |
| MAINE | 45 | , , , , | , | 2,78 | 3 | 9 | • | |
| MARYLAND | 19 | 130 | 130 | 78 | 0 | 15 | 1 | 1 |
| MICHIGAN | 7 | 379 | 923 | 923 | 0 | | 7 | 224 |
| MINNESOTA | 14 | 2,010 | 2,512 | 585 | 1,718 | 21 | 24 | 88 |
| MISSISSIPPI | 32 | 11,943 | 4,723 | 5,173 | 0 | | Ö | |
| MISSOURI | 22 | 20,773 | 0 | 18,701 | 969 | 73 | 113 | 533 |
| MONTANA | 18 | 17,829 | 17,345 | 258 | 2,168 | 0 | 8 | 46 |
| NEBRASKA | 17 | 25,020 | 0 | 20,921 | 14,443 | 532 | 52 | 647 |
| NEW MEXICO | 17 | 2,332 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| NEW YORK | 19 | 75 | 75 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | A continue |
| NORTH CAROLINA | 22 | 1,062 | 58 | 1,114 | 0 | 74 | 0 | |
| NORTH DAKOTA | 16 | 5,944 | 4,521 | 1,369 | 641 | 3,357 | 4 | 32 |
| OHIO | 33 | 431 | 226 | 24 | 18 | 39 | 14 | 28 |
| OKLAHOMA | 15 | 11,896 | 0 | 10,778 | 117 | 136 | 1 | 7 |
| OREGON | 26 | 27,812 | 0 | 22,852 | 8,236 | 392 | 0 | |
| PENNSYLVANIA | | | | | | | | |
| SOUTH CAROLINA | 14 | 300 | 411 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| SOUTH DAKOTA | | | | | | | | |
| TENNESSEE | 30 | 3,665 | 0 | 116 | 0 | 5 | 0 | |
| TEXAS | 22 | 28,505 | 0 | 21,210 | 0 | 20 | 9 | 179 |
| UTAH | 17 | 1,287 | 0 | 728 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| VIRGINIA | 18 | 906 | 370 | 393 | 0 | 74 | 6 | 68 |
| WASHINGTON | 21 | 107,703 | 0 | 57,123 | 108 | 5,521 | 5 | 37 |
| WISCONSIN | 25 | 1,889 | 780 | 808 | 121 | 56 | 13 | 48 |
| WYOMING | 15 | 2,043 | 0 | 2,043 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |

Note: Acceptable acres may be listed in multiple categories.

| Table 4 - Description of Signup 49 Acceptable Acres | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|--|
| STATE NAME | Introduced Grass | Native Grass | Total Grass | Hardwood Trees | Softwood Trees | Total Trees | |
| NATIONAL | 61,958 | 232,531 | 294,489 | 10,691 | 18,692 | 29,383 | |
| ALABAMA | 01,550 | 0 | 0 | 95 | 2,032 | 2,128 | |
| ARKANSAS | 0 | 139 | 139 | 867 | 31 | 897 | |
| CALIFORNIA | 718 | 0 | 718 | 0 | 0 | 0), | |
| COLORADO | 54 | 40,325 | 40,378 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| DELAWARE | 0 | 0 | 0,2,70 | 172 | 0 | 172 | |
| GEORGIA | 0 | 0 | 0 | 40 | 1,100 | 1,140 | |
| IDAHO | 4,883 | 4,497 | 9,380 | 0 | 79 | 79 | |
| ILLINOIS | 754 | 243 | 997 | 826 | 5 | 831 | |
| INDIANA | 108 | 95 | 203 | 492 | 30 | 492 | |
| IOWA | 962 | 972 | 1,934 | 1,673 | 7 | 1,680 | |
| KANSAS | 48 | 18,012 | 18,060 | 1,075 | 0 | 1,000 | |
| KENTUCKY | 1,458 | 561 | 2,020 | 91 | 0 | 91 | |
| LOUISIANA | 5 | 0 | 2,020 | 328 | 468 | 796 | |
| MAINE | 9 | U | J | 320 | 408 | 130 | |
| MARYLAND | 78 | 30 | 108 | 0 | 7 | 7 | |
| MICHIGAN | 189 | 201 | 391 | 174 | 37 | 210 | |
| MINNESOTA | 168 | 116 | 284 | 611 | 209 | 820 | |
| MISSISSIPPI | 294 | 0 | 294 | 2,490 | 10,302 | 12,792 | |
| MISSOURI | 11,359 | 5,904 | 17,263 | 1,937 | 0 | 1,937 | |
| MONTANA | 5,844 | 9,747 | 15,591 | 0 | 0 | 1,237 | |
| NEBRASKA | 173 | 9,204 | 9,377 | 5 | 0 | 5 | |
| NEW MEXICO | 0 | 2,332 | 2,332 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| NEW YORK | 52 | 2,332 | 52 | 3 | 21 | 23 | |
| NORTH CAROLINA | 32 | 14 | 14 | 0 | 1,083 | 1,083 | |
| NORTH CAROLINA NORTH DAKOTA | 1,542 | 311 | 1,852 | 15 | 1,083 | 1,083 | |
| OHIO | 130 | 120 | 250 | 177 | 22 | 199 | |
| OKLAHOMA | 879 | 11,039 | 11,917 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| OREGON | 11,954 | 7,148 | 19,102 | 0 | 79 | 79 | |
| PENNSYLVANIA | 11,234 | 7,170 | 12,102 | Ų. | 12 | | |
| SOUTH CAROLINA | 0 | 0 | 0 | O | 443 | 443 | |
| SOUTH DAKOTA | | | V | | 772 | 772 | |
| TENNESSEE | 889 | 856 | 1,744 | 138 | 1,770 | 1,908 | |
| TEXAS | 684 | 27,609 | 28,293 | 0 | 1,770 | 1,906 | |
| UTAH | 1,287 | 27,009 | 1,287 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| VIRGINIA | 10 | 74 | 1,267 | 0 | 741 | 741 | |
| WASHINGTON | 14,963 | 92,260 | 107,223 | 0 | 106 | 106 | |
| WISCONSIN | 348 | 687 | 1,035 | 551 | 150 | 701 | |
| WYOMING | 2,043 | 007 | 2,043 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |

Note: Acceptable acres may be listed as multiple categories.

Continuous CRP

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Continuous signup provides an effective, ongoing means to enroll certain practices such as filter strips, riparian buffers, grass waterways, shelterbelts, field windbreaks, wetlands restoration, and high-valued wildlife habitat. Unlike general sign up, there is no bidding and ranking; the land is enrolled automatically if it meets the legibility criteria.

As of August 30, 2016, 24.2 million acres of land have been enrolled in a CRP contract; 5.23 million acres were cumulatively enrolled for all continuous CRP sign up conservation practices; and 1.167 million acres were enrolled in 47 CREP projects in 33 states.

Overall, nearly 6.87 million acres are now allocated and enrolled in the following nine targeted continuous signup initiatives:

- Upland Bird Habitat Nesting: 252,238 acres.

 The Upland Bird Habitat Nesting initiative helps producers plant ground covers, shrubs, and grass, to provide appropriate habitat conditions for common upland birds such as northern bobwhite quail. Studies show that these conservation practices have increased the upland bird species populations. Up to 500,000 acres can be enrolled in this initiative.
- Duck Prairie Pothole Habitat: 349,685 acres
 The Duck Prairie Pothole Habitat initiative helps
 increase duck populations by an estimated 60,000
 birds annually and may restore up to 100,000 wetland
 acres at any one time.
- Bottomland Hardwood: 128,261 acres The Bottomland Hardwood initiative works to improve air quality and water quality on up to 250,000 acres as well as increase wildlife habitat along wetland areas.
- Non-Floodplain Wetland Restoration: 434,927 acres Since 2005, the Non-Floodplain Wetland Restoration initiative has provided an opportunity to enroll up to 568,000 acres of wetlands and playa lakes located outside of the 100-year floodplain.

- Floodplain Wetlands Restoration: 352,490 acres. Available since 2004, the Floodplain Wetlands Restoration initiative has provided an opportunity to enroll up to 482,000 acres of wetlands located in the 100-year floodplain.
- State Acres for Wildlife Enhancement (SAFE): 98 projects in 37 states, and 1,381,865 acres. State Acres for Wildlife Enhancement (SAFE) provides states and regions the opportunity to conserve 175,000 acres for high-priority wildlife such as sage grouse, lesser prairie chicken, and ring-necked pheasant.
- Longleaf Pine: 160,208 acres.

 The Longleaf Pine initiative's goal is to repopulate the natural longleaf pine forest ranges by enrolling up to 250,000 acres throughout nine Southern states. Reestablishing some of the original range of 60 million acres will improve water quality, provide critical habitat for wildlife, and help sequester greenhouse gases.
- Highly Erodible Land Initiative (HELI): 444,268 acres. Enrollment under the Highly Erodible Land Initiative (HELI) began in late 2012 to protect up to 750,000 acres of the Nation's most highly erodible croplands. Eligibility is limited to land with an Erodibility Index of 20 or more.
- Pollinator Habitat initiative: 341,714 acres
 The Pollinator Habitat initiative is used in addition to
 the pollinator practice under General Signup to permit
 producers to develop pollinator habitat for many
 pollinator species by enrolling up to 200,000 acres.

The Farmable Wetlands Program (FWP): 399,787 acres The FWP is allowed to restore up to 750,000 acres of farmable wetland and associated buffers by improving the land's hydrology and vegetation through CRP. Eligible land types authorized include certain cropped wetlands, former commercial aquaculture, flooded land located in the prairie pothole region, and constructed wetlands to receive flows from row crop drainage systems.

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- Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program
- Emergency Forest Restoration Program
- Emergency Conservation Program
- Farmable Wetlands Program
- Grassland Reserve Program
- Source Water Protection Program
- Voluntary Public Access and Habitat Incentive Program

CEPD also coordinates FSA's activities under the Secretary's People's Garden Initiative.

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