

## CONTINUOUS CRP PRACTICES

### Eligible Land Criteria

- **Cropland planted or considered planted to an agriculture commodity during 4 of the 6 crop years 1996 - 2001**  
**NOTE: Infeasible to farm option applies to CP-21, CP-22 and allows COC to approve additional enrollment of up to 25% of enrolled acres if more than 50% of a field is enrolled as CP21 or CP22 on cropland**
- **Marginal pasture is eligible for CP22, CP29 and CP30 only (areas with existing tree canopy of >25% are not eligible as marginal pasture)**

### Wellhead Protection Area Practices (10% & PIP)

- **CP1, CP2, CP3, CP3A, CP4B, CP4D & CP10**
- Wellhead areas are automatically eligible if cropping criteria is met
- Offered cropland must be within the wellhead boundary and within 2000 feet from the wellhead.

### Field Windbreaks -- CP5A (20%, SIP, & PIP)

- Up to 5 rows if designed for wildlife - (only 2 rows of same species)
- Minimum cropping between is 10X the height of minimum 20 year height but not less than 150, 180, 220, 240 feet (depending on Vegetative Zone – I-IV respectively)

### Grassed Waterway -- CP8A (20%, SIP, & PIP)

- Width can be up two times minimum design
- Maximum width not to exceed 100 feet
- Waterways that have been completed, or expanded within 12-month period previous to the offer

### Shallow Water Area for Wildlife -- CP9 (PIP)

- Wetland creation (on non-wetland sites)
- Average depth: 6 - 18 inches
- Buffer width: Minimum 20 feet -- Maximum 120 feet
- Field shall not exceed 10.0 acres per tract

### Contour Grass Strips -- CP15A (PIP)

- Fields without terraces (point rows can be eliminated)
- Field borders are also eligible with this practice (join strips together)

### Contour Grass Strips On Terraces -- CP15B

- Seed down existing functioning terraces that are 10 years or older
- Grass the back/front slope (with an optional 10 foot addition on each side) not to exceed 60 feet wide

### Shelterbelt Establishment -- CP16A (SIP & PIP)

- Farmstead and livestock protection with maximum of 12, 10, 8 rows (depending on Vegetative Zone – I&II, III, IV respectively)

### Living Snow Fence -- CP17A (SIP & PIP)

- For protecting roads from snow blowing (need minimum setback)

### Establish Permanent Vegetation to Reduce Salinity -- CP18B (PIP)

- Purpose is to establish vegetation on saline seeps and areas contributing to the seeps
- Technical recommendations must be based on a sound technical basis that will solve the resource problem

### Establish Permanent Salt Tolerant Vegetative Cover -- CP18C (PIP)

- Purpose is to establish vegetation on eligible cropland with existing high water table
- Technical recommendations must be based on a sound technical basis that will solve the resource problem

### Filter Strips -- CP21 (20%, SIP, & PIP)

- Minimum width - 20 feet
- Maximum average width - 120 feet (minus existing buffer grass) or minimum design width (if it exceeds 120 feet using 30:1 ratio)
- Outer edge can be straightened using 'maximum average width'
- Applies to seasonal or perennial streams; permanent lakes and ponds, and most wetlands
- Cost share on fence and water facilities

### Riparian buffer -- CP22 (20%, SIP, & PIP)

- Minimum width - 35 feet of trees/shrubs
- Maximum average width - 180 feet
- Outer edge can be straightened using 'maximum average width'
- Marginal pasture sites must plant the entire offer to trees/shrubs (with up to 20 feet of grassed filter strip in zone 3)
- Natural regeneration only allowed if NRCS/TSP determines the appropriate cover will establish in 2 years under normal conditions
- Cost share on fence and water facilities

### Wetland Restoration -- CP23 (25% to restore hydrology)

- Cropped wetlands adjacent to permanent streams and rivers
- No limit on size of wetland (within the 100-year floodplain)
- A buffer outside the 100-year flood plain may be enrolled if needed
- Up to a 3:1 ratio of upland to wetland may be enrolled as buffer

### Wetland Restoration -- CP23A (25% to restore hydrology)

- Cropped wetlands outside of the 100-yr floodplain (i.e. playa or slope)
- Wetlands eligible for CP-27 are not eligible for CP-23A
- Up to a 4:1 ratio of upland to wetland may be enrolled as buffer

### Cross Wind Trap Strips -- CP24 (PIP)

- Only eligible on cropland with wind erosion  $EI \geq 4$
- Minimum of 2 strips and maximum of 10% of field
- Minimum width of strip is 15 feet – maximum width is 25 feet

### Farmable Wetland FP- CP27 (20%, SIP, & PIP)

- Maximum wetland size: 10.0 acres (including any non-cropped area)
- Only 5.0 acres of wetland are eligible for CRP payment
- Eligibility: cropped wetlands, farmed wetlands, & prior converted wetlands outside of the 100 year floodplain
- Crop history meets minimum of 3 out of previous 10 crop years

### Farmable Wetland Buffer -- CP28 (20%, SIP, & PIP)

- Must be associated with a CP-27 enrolled wetland
- Minimum buffer width: 30 feet
- Maximum buffer width/size: Cannot exceed the larger of a maximum average width of 150 feet or 3 times the size of the eligible wetland (not including any non-cropped wetland).

### Marginal Pasture Wildlife Habitat Buffer -- CP29 (20%, SIP, & PIP)

- Marginal Pastureland must be adjacent to seasonal or perennial streams (use CP-30 for lakes, ponds, and wetlands)
- Minimum width - 20 feet and maximum average width - 120 feet
- Outer edge can be straightened using 'maximum average width'
- Cost share on fence and water facilities
- A minimum of 25% of enrolled acres must be enhanced (See Riparian Herbaceous Cover standard and design procedure for details)

### Marginal Pasture Wetland Buffer -- CP30 (20%, SIP, & PIP)

- Applies to permanent lakes/ponds with an annual 'off-farm' outflow and most wetlands (seasonal to permanent)
- Minimum width - 20 feet and maximum average width - 120 feet
- Outer edge can be straightened using 'maximum average width'
- Cost share on fence and water facilities
- A minimum of 25% of enrolled acres must be enhanced (See Riparian Herbaceous Cover standard and design procedure for details)

### Bottomland Timber Establishment on Wetlands -- CP31

- Must establish a minimum of 3 different varieties of mast producing hardwood tree and shrub species (not less than 75 percent of stand)
- Offer must be in the 100-year floodplain and contain 51% hydric soils
- Natural regeneration is not permitted under this practice
- Contract duration: 14 to 15 years

### Habitat Buffer For Upland Birds -- CP33 (SIP & PIP)

- Minimum width - 30 ft and maximum average width - 120 ft
- Minimum enrollment per tract is 5 acres of field border
- Outer edge can be straightened using 'maximum average width' and center pivot corners can be enrolled if connected by a buffer  $\geq 30$  feet
- Shrubs required if not existing within 1/8 mile – (not to exceed 10%)

**Incidental Grazing only allowed on CP8A, CP15A/B, CP21 and CP33**

**Maintenance rate for new practices: CP5A, CP16A, CP17A - \$6.00**

**Maintenance rate for new practices: CP21, CP29, CP30, and CP22**

|   |        |
|---|--------|
| No fencing or water facility development              | \$4.00 |
| No fencing or water facility development (CP-22 only) | \$6.00 |
| Permanent fencing with no water facility development  | \$8.00 |
| Permanent fencing and water facility development      | \$9.00 |

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| <b>CONTINUOUS CRP PRACTICES</b> |   |                 |                                 |                    |                     |                          |         |         |                          |
|---------------------------------|---|-----------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|---------|---------|--------------------------|
| PRACTICE CODE                   | PRACTICE NARRATIVE  | CONTRACT LENGTH | C/S Fencing & Water Development | ANY ELIGIBLE ACRES | WELLHEAD ACRES ONLY | PERCENT RENTAL INCENTIVE | SIP (1) | PIP (2) | MAINTENANCE PAYMENTS (3) |
| CP1                             | INTRODUCED GRASSES AND LEGUMES                                  | 10 YR           |                                 |                    | YES                 | 10%                      |         | YES     | \$4                      |
| CP2                             | NATIVE GRASSES  | 10 YR           |                                 |                    | YES                 | 10%                      |         | YES     | \$4                      |
| CP3                             | BLOCK TREE PLANTING   | 10 YR           |                                 |                    | YES                 | 10%                      |         | YES     | \$4                      |
| CP3A                            | HARDWOOD TREE PLANTING  | 10 – 15 YR      |                                 |                    | YES                 | 10%                      |         | YES     | \$4                      |
| CP4B                            | WILDLIFE CORRIDORS  | 10 – 15 YR      |                                 |                    | YES                 | 10%                      |         | YES     | \$4                      |
| CP4D                            | WILDLIFE HABITAT  | 10 YR           |                                 |                    | YES                 | 10%                      |         | YES     | \$4                      |
| CP5A                            | FIELD WINDBREAKS  | 10 – 15 YR      |                                 | YES                |                     | 20%                      | \$10    | YES     | \$4 – \$6*               |
| CP8A                            | GRASSED WATERWAY  | 10 YR           |                                 | YES                |                     | 20%                      | \$10    | YES     | \$4                      |
| CP9                             | SHALLOW WATER AREA FOR WILDLIFE                                 | 10 YR           |                                 | YES                |                     |                          |         | YES     | \$4                      |
| CP10                            | ESTABLISHED VEGETATION  | 10 YR           |                                 |                    | YES                 | 10%                      |         | YES     | \$4                      |
| CP15A                           | CONTOUR GRASS STRIPS  | 10 YR           |                                 | YES                |                     |                          |         | YES     | \$4                      |
| CP15B                           | CONTOUR GRASS STRIPS ON TERRACES                                | 10 YR           |                                 | YES                |                     |                          |         | NO      | \$4                      |
| CP16A                           | SHELTERBELTS (FARMSTEAD WINBREAKS)                              | 10 – 15 YR      |                                 | YES                |                     |                          | \$10    | YES     | \$4 – \$6*               |
| CP17A                           | LIVING SNOW FENCES  | 10 – 15 YR      |                                 | YES                |                     |                          | \$10    | YES     | \$4 – \$6*               |
| CP18B                           | VEGETATION TO REDUCE SALINITY (SEEPS & RECHARGE)                | 10 YR           |                                 | YES                |                     |                          |         | YES     | \$4                      |
| CP18C                           | SALT TOLERANT VEGETATION (HIGH WATER TABLE)                     | 10 YR           |                                 | YES                |                     |                          |         | YES     | \$4                      |
| CP21                            | FILTER STRIPS   | 10 – 15 YR      | YES                             | YES                |                     | 20%                      | \$10    | YES     | \$4 - \$8** - \$9***     |
| CP22                            | RIPARIAN BUFFERS  | 10 – 15 YR      | YES                             | YES                |                     | 20%                      | \$10    | YES     | \$6* - \$8** - \$9***    |
| CP23                            | WETLAND RESTORATION – WETLANDS WITHIN THE 100-YR FLOODPLAIN     | 10 - 15 YR      |                                 | YES                |                     |                          |         | 25%+    | \$4                      |
| CP23A                           | WETLAND RESTORATION – WETLANDS OUTSIDE OF THE 100-YR FLOODPLAIN | 10 - 15 YR      |                                 | YES                |                     |                          |         | 25%+    | \$4                      |
| CP24                            | CROSS WIND TRAP STRIPS  | 10 YR           |                                 | YES                |                     |                          |         | YES     | \$4                      |
| CP27                            | FARMABLE WETLANDS ( WETLAND)                                    | 10 – 15 YR      |                                 | YES                |                     | 20%                      | \$10    | YES     | \$4                      |
| CP28                            | FARMABLE WETLANDS (BUFFER)                                      | 10 – 15 YR      |                                 | YES                |                     | 20%                      | \$10    | YES     | \$4                      |
| CP29                            | MARGINAL PASTURE WILDLIFE HABITAT BUFFER                        | 10- 15 YR       | YES                             | YES                |                     | 20%                      | \$10    | YES     | \$4 - \$8** - \$9***     |
| CP30                            | MARGINAL PASTURE WETLAND BUFFER                                 | 10 - 15 YR      | YES                             | YES                |                     | 20%                      | \$10    | YES     | \$4 - \$8** - \$9***     |
| CP31                            | BOTTOMLAND TIMBER ESTABLISHMENT ON WETLANDS                     | 14 - 15 YR      |                                 | YES                |                     |                          |         | NO      | \$4                      |
| CP33                            | HABITAT BUFFER FOR UPLAND BIRDS (QUAIL FIELD BORDER)            | 10 YR           |                                 | YES                |                     |                          | \$10    | YES     | \$4                      |

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(2) = Practice Incentive Payment (PIP) is a one-time payment that equals to 40% of the total eligible cost of practice installation. (Par. 125)

(3) = Annual Maintenance fee per acre not to exceed the amount listed. (Par. 124)

\* = \$6 per acre for new enrolled practices (not re-enrolled). (Par. 124)

\*\* = \$8 per acre with permanent fencing and no water facility. (Par. 124)

\*\*\* = \$9 per acres with permanent fencing and water facility development. (Par. 124)

+ = A one time payment equal to 25% of the cost of restoring the hydrology of the cropped wetland. (Exhibit 9, page 107)

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**ELIGIBLE PRACTICES FOR THE CENTRAL BASINS CONSERVATION RESERVE ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM (CBCREP)**

| PRACTICE CODE | PRACTICE NARRATIVE                                 | CONTRACT PERIOD YEARS | ANY ELIGIBLE ACRES IN THE CREP AREA | % RENTAL INCENTIVE CREP | STATE ADDITIONAL COST-SHARE FOR CREP++ | STATE INCENTIVE PAYMENT + | SIP (1) \$10 | PIP (2) %40 | MAINTENANCE PAYMENTS (3) |
|---------------|--|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|--|---------------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| CP1           | INTRODUCED GRASSES AND LEGUMES                     | 10 -15                | YES                                 | 20%                     | 30%                                    | \$100                     | NO           | NO          | \$4                      |
| CP2           | NATIVE GRASSES                                     | 10 -15                | YES                                 | 20%                     | 30%                                    | \$100                     | NO           | NO          | \$4                      |
| CP4D          | WILDLIFE HABITAT                                   | 10 - 15               | YES                                 | 20%                     | 30%                                    | \$100                     | NO           | NO          | \$4                      |
| CP9           | SHALLOW WATER AREA FOR WILDLIFE                    | 10 - 15               | YES                                 | 20%                     | 50%                                    |                           | NO           | YES         | \$4                      |
| CP21          | FILTER STRIPS CG                                   | 10 - 15               | YES                                 | 30%                     |  | See CG Footnote           | YES          | YES         | \$4 - \$8** - \$9***     |
| CP22          | RIPARIAN BUFFERS (CROPLAND CG or MARGINAL PASTURE) | 10 - 15               | YES                                 | 30%                     |  | See CG Footnote           | YES          | YES         | \$6* - \$8** - 9***      |
| CP23          | WETLAND RESTORATION                                | 10 - 15               | YES                                 | 20%                     | 50%                                    |                           | NO           | NO          | \$4                      |

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++ = Additional Cost-Share paid by Nebraska Game and Parks Commission via Pheasants Forever

+ =State Incentive Payment of a one time payment of \$100/prioritized resource corner, plus an extra \$100 incentive if four corners enrolled in one tract or ¼ section. (Up to 7.0 acres/pivot corner (Par. 18) ---- (Other eligible fields must be at least 5.0 acres but not more than 7.0 acres to receive the \$100 incentive payment)

CG – Corn Growers bonus equals additional 20% of CRP weighted soil rental rate (for a total of 150% not to exceed \$150/ac/yr) - applies to irrigated and dryland cropland.

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**ELIGIBLE PRACTICES FOR THE PLATTE/REPUBLICAN CONSERVATION RESERVE ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM (PRCREP)**

| PRACTICE CODE | PRACTICE NARRATIVE               | CONTRACT PERIOD YEARS | ANY ELIGIBLE ACRES IN THE CREP AREA | IRRIGATED RENTAL RATES - CREP - | DNR ADDITIONAL COST-SHARE FOR CREP++ | ADDITIONAL INCENTIVE PAYMENT TO RESTORE HYDROLOGY + | SIP (1) \$10 | PIP (2) %40 | MAINTENANCE PAYMENTS (3) |
|---------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| CP2           | NATIVE GRASSES                   | 10 -15                | YES                                 | YES                             | 50%                                  |   | NO           | NO          | \$4                      |
| CP4D          | WILDLIFE HABITAT                 | 10 - 15               | YES                                 | YES                             | 50%                                  |   | NO           | NO          | \$4                      |
| CP21          | FILTER STRIPS                    | 10 – 15               | YES                                 | YES                             | 50%                                  |   | YES          | YES         | \$4 - \$8** - \$9***     |
| CP22          | RIPARIAN BUFFERS (CROPLAND ONLY) | 10 – 15               | YES                                 | YES                             | 50%                                  |   | YES          | YES         | \$6* - \$8** - 9***      |
| CP23          | WETLAND RESTORATION              | 10 - 15               | YES                                 | YES                             | 50%                                  | 25%   | NO           | NO          | \$4                      |
| CP23A         | WETLAND RESTORATION              | 10 - 15               | YES                                 | YES                             | 50%                                  | 25%   | NO           | NO          | \$4                      |
| CP25          | RARE AND DECLINING HABITAT       | 10 - 15               | YES                                 | YES                             | 50%                                  |   | NO           | NO          | \$4                      |

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++ = 50% Additional Cost-Share paid by Department of Natural Resources