

ENERGY MANAGEMENT ENHANCEMENT

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NEBRASKA

Name: _____

The Conservation Security Program (CSP) offers a limited number of enhancement payments as incentives to reward or encourage on-farm energy conservation and management. These enhancements are available once the applicant qualifies for CSP by meeting the program's entry requirements for soil and water quality.

This information will help landowners and managers determine if they are eligible for the offered payment(s) for energy enhancement activities.

Recycle of 100 Percent of On-Farm Lubricants

Payment = \$200.00 / year for recycling of **all on-farm lubricants**.

Farm and ranch waste is inevitable. Without proper disposal, waste enters the environment; some waste, those that are petroleum based, may enter groundwater. Proper management of these wastes can help protect the quality of the groundwater and of drinking water supplies furnished by the watershed.

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The first step in reducing potential associated water quality degradation is to carefully purchase and use only essential products, reuse them when possible, and recycle them at a recycling depot. Through CSP, NRCS is encouraging farmers and ranchers to review how they treat waste lubricants in their operations, look for ways to reduce dependence on fossil fuels, and reduce potential impacts on the environment. Payments are offered for several of these activities through the program.

Definitions – For purposes of CSP, farm lubricants are defined as oils, fluids, or greases, including all mineral-based oils, synthetic oils, or semi-synthetic oils used to reduce friction in equipment and machinery. Recycling involves disposal of lubricants through a recycling company or depot. Burning is not considered recycling.

Required Elements:

- All used motor oil and lubricants for tractors, combines, farm trucks and farm for other farm equipment such as irrigation pumps or grain drying motors is recycled through a recycling company or depot.
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Documentation Required:

Receipts from the receiving recycling company or depot are required prior to payment approval.

Certification:

I certify that I have recycled 100 percent of farm lubricants to a recycling company or deposit.

Name: _____ Date: _____