



United States Department of Agriculture
Natural Resources Conservation Service

CSP Job Sheet H-10

HABITAT MANAGEMENT ENHANCEMENT

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LOWER BIG BLUE AND LOWER LITTLE BLUE WATERSHEDS IN NEBRASKA

Name: _____

Establish or maintain threatened or endangered species habitat

Payment = \$2.00 / acre / year for those acres impacted by the completion of the management activity identified within the habitat management plan. Payment applies only to the year(s) when the management actions are implemented and those subsequent years when the management actions are maintained.

The intent of this enhancement is to provide specific habitat components for a state or federal listed, proposed, or candidate threatened or endangered species.

This enhancement requires that the targeted species be documented to occur within the area being managed and concurrence is provided by a wildlife biologist from the state wildlife agency or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (e.g. wildlife species is documented within two miles during the past five years and suitable habitat exists on the site being considered for habitat management). The wildlife biologist will also approve of the plan or management actions being used to benefit that species. Examples might include: 1) haying operation on a meadow with a known population of western prairie-fringed orchid is delayed until after seed has formed and matured; 2) maintain a high-quality filter strip or riparian forest buffer adjacent to a stream with a documented occurrence of Topeka shiner. In each example, payment would be made on those acres impacted by the management activity (e.g. acres with delayed haying, acres within the buffer).

Documentation Required: Attach copy of concurrence from wildlife biologist as noted above for identified targeted species and habitat management plan with management actions to be implemented. Use the following table for documentation of applied management actions and attach a plan map showing the location of the activity. An example is provided.

Example

Tract & Field #s	Target Species	Management Action Applied per Management Plan	Acres Impacted by Management Action
T 555 - 1	Western Prairie-fringed Orchid	Delayed Haying	15

