



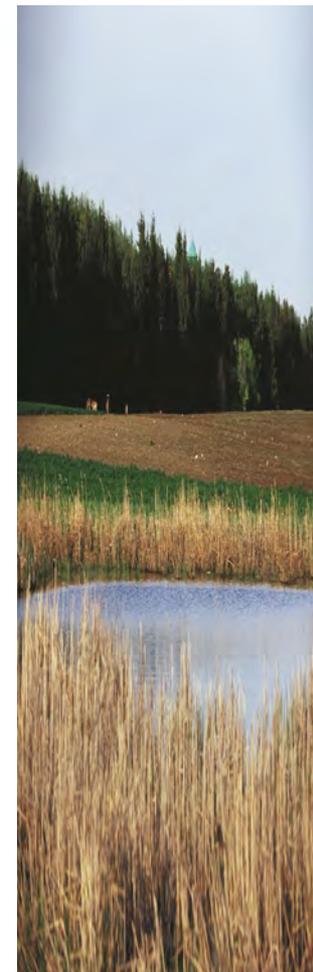
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Informational  
Stakeholder Outreach  
Session**



**Conservation Reserve  
Enhancement Program (CREP)**

# What is CREP?

- Part of the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) and administered by the Farm Service Agency (FSA)
- Partnership with state agencies, Tribes, non-profits and other groups to address state or nationally significant conservation concerns.
- Address conservation and environmental issues of State and the Nation
- Combines Federal and Non-Federal Resources to target a specific geographic area



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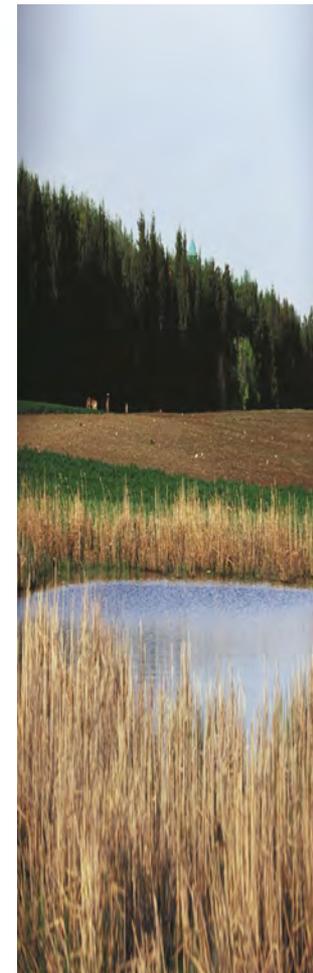
# CREP

## Federal Commitments

USDA provides financial, educational, and technical assistance.

## Partner Commitments

Partners typically provide 30 percent of the total project cost in the form of direct payments to participants, in-kind contributions, or technical assistance.



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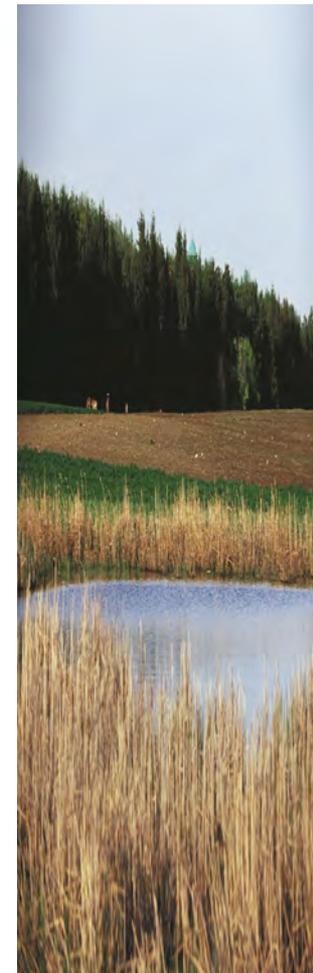
# Administered under the same statutes and Federal regulations as CRP.

## The following statutory requirements are applicable to all CREPs:

- Cropping history for cropland-based projects
- 32.5% Sign-Up Incentive Payment (SIP)
- Practice Incentive Payment (PIP) is considered cost share
- Cost share cannot exceed 100% of establishment costs
- \$900,000 Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) provisions and \$50,000 annual payment limitation

## Discretionary Provisions:

- Rental rate and PIP incentive rates



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# CRP Rental Rates

## Cropland

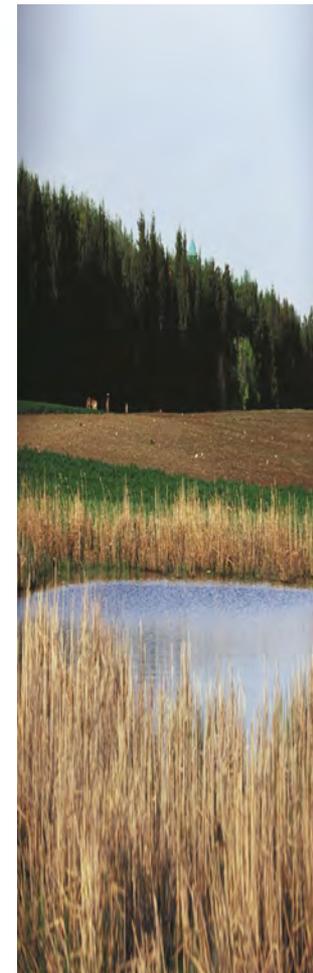
- Based on annual NASS survey estimates
  - Non-irrigated (dryland) rental rates are the same as other CRP.
  - Irrigated soil rental rates are established for applicable counties with CREP agreements which authorize the use of an irrigated rental rate.

## Marginal Pastureland (MPL)

- Based on annual average cash rental values on non-irrigated riparian area grazing land.

## Grasslands CRP

- Based on annual NASS pastureland rental rates.

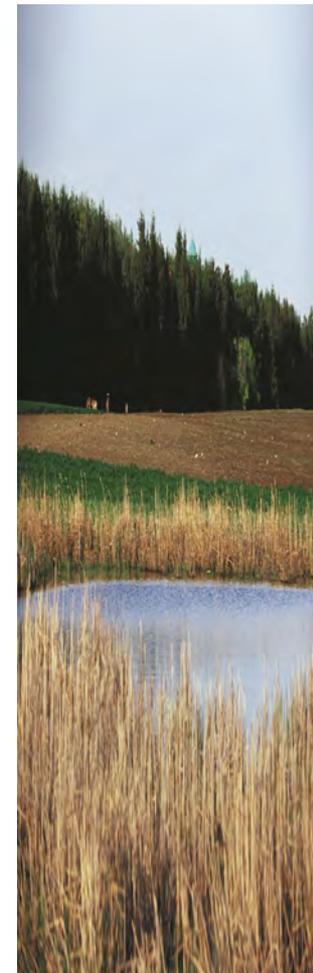


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# New CREP Project Development

- **Concept Paper**
- **Proposal**
- **Environmental Assessment**
- **CREP Agreement**



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# Regional Specialists

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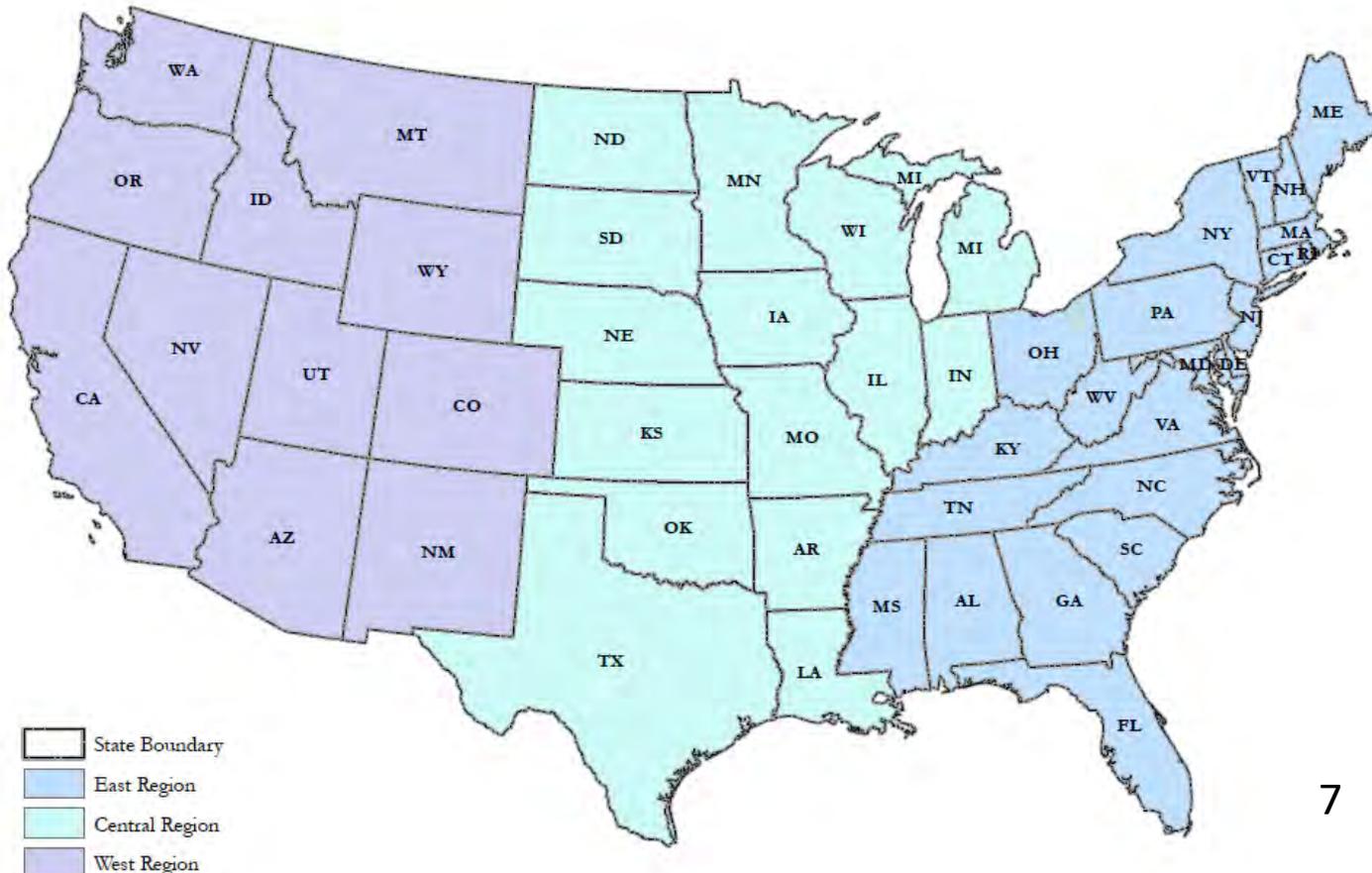
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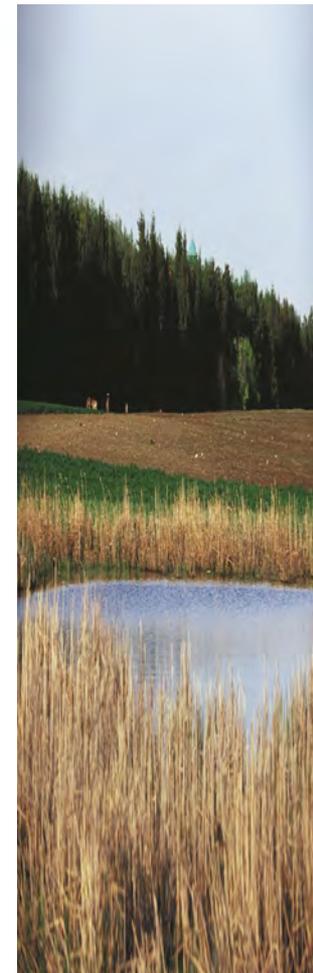
# Questions

# Recordings

- **12/20/2021 CREP Stakeholder Meeting**
- **Today's 01/04/2022 CREP Informational Session**

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