

For: State Offices

CRP Initiatives Acreage Allocations

Approved by: Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs



1 Overview

A Background

On March 2, 2012, Secretary Vilsack announced the opportunity to enroll a total of 1 million acres of land in a new initiative to preserve grasslands and wetlands. Certain CRP initiatives and their associated continuous practices are limited by a national enrollment acreage cap. The March 2nd announcement increased the acreage cap for multiple practices and increased incentives on some of these practices. State Offices are allocated specific acreage amounts and instructed to ensure that their respective allocations are **not** exceeded. Current enrollment authority for CRP is 32 million acres for FY 2012.

Note: It is estimated that 29.6 million acres are currently enrolled in CRP.

Some State Offices have requested additional allocations for certain initiatives. State acreage allocations and acreage enrollments have been reviewed as of June 1, 2012, for the following CRP conservation practices:

- CP23, Wetland Restoration
- CP23A, Wetland Restoration, Non-Floodplain
- CP33, Habitat Buffers for Upland Birds
- CP37, Duck Nesting Habitat.

Acres enrolled under CREP, regardless of the conservation practice, do **not** count against a State’s CRP conservation practice allocation. However, acres enrolled under CREP do count toward the total CRP enrollment cap.

Example: If CREP enrolls 100 acres for CP23, the 100 acres will not be included in the count toward the State’s CP23 enrollment allocation, but rather the acres will count toward the CREP enrollment allocation.

Disposal Date	Distribution
October 1, 2012	State Offices; State Offices relay to NRCS State Offices

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B Purpose

This notice provides State Offices with the following guidance:

- acreage allocations and enrollment data for practices CP23, CP23A, CP33, and CP37
- enrollment authority for CP42 as a continuous practice
- information on available incentives for certain CRP practices.

Note: This notice does **not** provide the following:

- a report with allocation data for CP38, State Acres for Wildlife Enhancement (SAFE)
- a report or allocation for CP42, Pollinator Habitat.

C State Allocations

State allocations are provided in Exhibit 1. Since the demand for practices CP23A and CP37 was greater than available acres, acres were factored as a percent of current enrollment.

Note: Lack of performance may result in acreages being returned to the national reserve.

Specific allocations were not made for practice CP42, Pollinator Habitat; however, this practice is now available through both general and continuous CRP signup.

D Practice Incentives

SIP's will increase to \$150 per acre for newly enrolled acres only regardless of the practice length for the following practices:

- CP23, Wetland Restoration
- CP23A, Wetland Restoration, Non-Floodplain
- CP33, Habitat Buffer for Upland Birds
- CP42, Pollinator Habitat (for continuous signup only).

Note: SIP will **not** increase for practice CP37.

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2 Action

A State Office Action

State Offices must:

- provide a copy of this notice to the NRCS State Conservationist and State Forester
- review this notice with NRCS, State Technical Committee, and other conservation partners
- monitor initiative enrollment to ensure that:
 - enrolled acreage does **not** exceed allocation
 - acreage that State Offices determine are **not** needed are returned to the National Office
- provide a copy of this notice to County Offices and ensure that County Offices understand the provisions of this notice
- ensure that counties do **not** approve offers that will result in exceeding the State acreage allocation.

B County Office Action

County Offices shall review the provisions in this notice.

C Contact

State Offices shall direct any questions about allocations to Jim Michaels by e-mail at **james.michaels@wdc.usda.gov**.

County Offices shall contact the State Office.

State Allocations

CP23 - Wetland Restoration					
State	Current Allocation	Current Enrollment <u>1/</u>	Difference	Change in Allocation	New Total Acres Allocated
Alabama	500	5	495	0	500
Alaska	100	0	100	0	100
Arizona	100	0	100	0	100
Arkansas	25,000	21,145	3,855	10,000	35,000
California	1,000	0	1,000	0	1,000
Colorado	150	0	150	1,150	1,300
Connecticut	0	0	0	0	0
Delaware	75	0	75	10	85
Florida	112	0	112	3	115
Georgia	500	13	487	0	500
Hawaii	100	0	100	0	100
Idaho	200	0	200	0	200
Illinois	11,000	9,705	1,295	14,000	25,000
Indiana	3,000	1,567	1,433	0	3,000
Iowa	118,000	79,709	38,291	10,000	128,000
Kansas	12,500	3,344	9,156	5,000	17,500
Kentucky	300	96	204	500	800
Louisiana	44,053	35,810	8,243	10,947	55,000
Maine	50	0	50	0	50
Maryland	100	10	90	900	1,000
Massachusetts	50	0	50	0	50
Michigan	4,000	860	3,140	0	4,000
Minnesota	45,000	21,710	23,290	0	45,000
Mississippi	45,000	4,536	40,464	0	45,000
Missouri	71,000	11,109	59,891	(30,000)	41,000
Montana	700	93	607	0	700
Nebraska	10,000	1,626	8,374	(1,500)	8,500
Nevada	0	0	0	0	0
New Hampshire	100	0	100	0	100
New Jersey	200	0	200	(150)	50
New Mexico	200	0	200	0	200
New York	200	0	200	0	200
North Carolina	3,000	23	2,977	(500)	2,500
North Dakota	10,550	1,456	9,094	(1,550)	9,000
Ohio	3,000	547	2,453	2,000	5,000
Oklahoma	837	206	631	0	837
Oregon	100	0	100	0	100

State Allocations (Continued)

CP23 - Wetland Restoration					
State	Current Allocation	Current Enrollment <u>1/</u>	Difference	Change in Allocation	New Total Acres Allocated
Pennsylvania	1,000	0	1,000	0	1,000
Puerto Rico	0	0	0	0	0
Rhode Island	0	0	0	0	0
South Carolina	200	0	200	0	200
South Dakota	36,700	18,030	18,670	30,000	66,700
Tennessee	1,000	280	720	0	1,000
Texas	1,221	891	330	29	1,250
Utah	200	0	200	0	200
Vermont	50	0	50	0	50
Virginia	600	0	600	0	600
Washington	300	39	261	0	300
West Virginia	200	0	200	0	200
Wisconsin	5,000	329	4,671	0	5,000
Wyoming	200	0	200	0	200
Total Allocated	457,448		244,309	50,839	508,287
Reserve	42,552			49,161	91,713
Total	500,000	213,139	244,309	100,000	600,000

Note: Figures in parentheses are reductions.

1/ Enrollment data as of April 30, 2012.

State Allocations (Continued)

CP23A - Wetland Restoration, Non-Floodplain					
State	Current Allocation	Current Enrollment 1/	Difference	Change in Allocation	New Total Acres Allocated
Alabama	100	0	100	(100)	0
Alaska	0	0	0	0	0
Arizona	0	0	0	0	0
Arkansas	10,245	9,426	819	7,070	17,315
California	3,000	0	3,000	0	3,000
Colorado	850	172	678	0	850
Connecticut	0	0	0	0	0
Delaware	50	0	50	0	50
Florida	250	0	250	0	250
Georgia	100	0	100	0	100
Hawaii	0	0	0	0	0
Idaho	200	0	200	(100)	100
Illinois	4,000	2,287	1,713	0	4,000
Indiana	2,000	1,239	761	929	2,929
Iowa	11,000	6,048	4,952	4,536	15,536
Kansas	7,500	3,435	4,065	2,576	10,076
Kentucky	150	0	150	0	150
Louisiana	27,000	14,946	12,054	0	27,000
Maine	50	0	50	0	50
Maryland	200	0	200	0	200
Massachusetts	50	0	50	0	50
Michigan	4,000	953	3,047	715	4,715
Minnesota	70,000	56,125	13,875	42,094	112,094
Mississippi	3,000	720	2,280	0	3,000
Missouri	3,000	523	2,477	0	3,000
Montana	200	0	200	0	200
Nebraska	14,000	1,259	12,741	(5,000)	9,000
Nevada	0	0	0	0	0
New Hampshire	0	0	0	0	0
New Jersey	0	0	0	20	20
New Mexico	500	0	500	0	500
New York	500	30	470	0	500
North Carolina	200	0	200	0	200
North Dakota	30,000	19,141	10,859	14,356	44,356
Ohio	1,100	170	930	128	1,228
Oklahoma	4,000	1,508	2,492	0	4,000
Oregon	200	0	200	0	200

State Allocations (Continued)

CP23A - Wetland Restoration, Non-Floodplain					
State	Current Allocation	Current Enrollment <u>1/</u>	Difference	Change in Allocation	New Total Acres Allocated
Pennsylvania	200	0	200	0	200
Puerto Rico	0	0	0	0	0
Rhode Island	0	0	0	0	0
South Carolina	200	0	200	0	200
South Dakota	40,000	35,404	4,596	26,553	66,553
Tennessee	500	0	500	0	500
Texas	5,205	352	4,853	0	5,205
Utah	100	0	100	0	100
Vermont	100	0	100	0	100
Virginia	150	0	150	0	150
Washington	500	0	500	0	500
West Virginia	200	0	200	0	200
Wisconsin	4,700	88	4,612	0	4,700
Wyoming	200	0	200	0	200
Total Allocated	249,500		95,674	93,777	343,277
Reserve	500			6,223	6,723
Total	250,000	153,826	95,674	100,000	350,000

Note: Figures in parentheses are reductions.

1/ Enrollment data as of April 30, 2012.

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CP33 - Habitat Buffers for Upland Birds					
State	Current Allocation	Current Enrollment <u>1</u> /	Difference	Change in Allocation	New Total Acres Allocated
Alabama	1,700	1,202	498	0	1,700
Alaska	0	0	0	0	0
Arizona	0	0	0	0	0
Arkansas	8,900	5,620	3,280	2,000	10,900
California	0	0	0	0	0
Colorado	610	171	439	0	610
Connecticut	0	0	0	0	0
Delaware	10	0	10	0	10
Florida	10	0	10	0	10
Georgia	3,400	2,222	1,178	0	3,400
Hawaii	0	0	0	0	0
Idaho	1,000	0	1,000	0	1,000
Illinois	73,200	59,418	13,782	0	73,200
Indiana	18,500	13,711	4,789	5,000	23,500
Iowa	36,500	25,188	11,312	10,000	46,500
Kansas	55,500	40,156	15,344	15,000	70,500
Kentucky	11,700	8,001	3,699	2,000	13,700
Louisiana	670	401	269	0	670
Maine	10	0	10	0	10
Maryland	1,500	760	740	0	1,500
Massachusetts	0	0	0	0	0
Michigan	1,650	819	831	0	1,650
Minnesota	600	445	155	500	1,100
Mississippi	3,400	2,238	1,162	0	3,400
Missouri	47,300	34,198	13,102	5,000	52,300
Montana	0	0	0	0	0
Nebraska	8,900	5,867	3,033	3,100	12,000
Nevada	0	0	0	0	0
New Hampshire	0	0	0	0	0
New Jersey	0	0	0	20	20
New Mexico	10	0	10	0	10
New York	10	0	10	0	10
North Carolina	10,900	8,637	2,263	2,000	12,900
North Dakota	0	0	0	0	0
Ohio	22,800	15,594	7,206	0	22,800
Oklahoma	1,600	1,054	546	0	1,600
Oregon	0	0	0	0	0

State Allocations (Continued)

CP33 - Habitat Buffers for Upland Birds					
State	Current Allocation	Current Enrollment <u>1/</u>	Difference	Change in Allocation	New Total Acres Allocated
Pennsylvania	10	0	10	0	10
Puerto Rico	0	0	0	0	0
Rhode Island	0	0	0	0	0
South Carolina	8,800	5,669	3,131	0	8,800
South Dakota	3,000	1,535	1,465	3,500	6,500
Tennessee	7,000	5,153	1,847	0	7,000
Texas	7,500	4,821	2,679	2,500	10,000
Utah	0	0	0	0	0
Vermont	0	0	0	0	0
Virginia	2,500	1,613	887	1,000	3,500
Washington	0	0	0	5,000	5,000
West Virginia	0	0	0	0	0
Wisconsin	660	307	353	0	660
Wyoming	0	0	0	0	0
Total Allocated	339,850		95,050	56,620	396,470
Reserve	10,150			93,380	103,530
Total	350,000	244,800	95,050	150,000	500,000

1/ Enrollment data as of April 30, 2012.

CP37 - Duck Nesting Habitat					
State	Current Allocation	Current Enrollment <u>1/</u>	Difference	Change in Allocation	New Total Acres Allocated
Iowa	2,000	638	1,362	606	2,606
Minnesota	9,500	9,267	233	8,804	18,304
Montana	1,000	449	551	0	1,000
North Dakota	70,000	69,703	297	66,218	136,218
South Dakota	67,000	63,308	3,692	60,143	127,143
Total Allocated	149,500		6,135	135,771	285,271
Reserve	500			14,229	14,729
Total	150,000	143,365	6,135	150,000	300,000

1/ Enrollment data as of April 30, 2012.