

Conservation Stewardship Program
Enhancement linkage to NRCS Conservation Practice Standards

Environmental and cultural resources compliance for the Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) is to be carried out in the same manner as compliance for any other conservation program or activity. Under CSP, NRCS is providing payments to participants who undertake enhancement activities and apply new conservation practices. The majority of CSP enhancements are directly associated with and are an extension of existing practices. The chart below provides guidance as to which conservation practice standard each CSP enhancement is either identified in the criteria or considerations.

Code	NRCS Related Practice Code	Enhancement Name	NRCS Practice Name	Primary NRCS Related Practice Code	Reinstated Enhancements	New Enhancements
AIR01	590	Injecting or incorporating manure	Nutrient Management	590		
AIR02	590	Nitrogen Stabilizers for Air Emissions Control	Nutrient Management	590		
AIR03	374	Replace burning of prunings, removals and other crop residues with non-burning alternatives	On-Farm Equipment Efficiency Improvements	374		
AIR04	595	Use drift reducing nozzles, low pressures, lower boom height, and adjuvants to reduce pesticide drift	Pest Management	595		
AIR06	374	Replacing oil- and wood-fired heaters in orchards and vineyards	On-Farm Equipment Efficiency Improvements	374		
AIR07	370/595	GPS, targeted spray application (SmartSprayer), or other chemical application electronic control technology	Atmospheric Resource Quality management & Pest Management	595		
ANM01	544/644	Drainage water management for seasonal wildlife habitat	Drainage Water Management, Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management	544		
ANM02	644/659	Defer crop production on temporary and seasonal wetlands	Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management & Wetland Enhancement	644		
ANM03	512	Incorporate native grasses and/or legumes into 15% or more of the forage base	Pasture and Hay planting	512		
ANM04	393	Extend existing filter strips for water quality protection and wildlife habitat	Filter Strip	393		
ANM05	391	Extending riparian forest buffers for water quality protection and wildlife habitat	Riparian Forest Buffer	391		
ANM06	390	Extending existing riparian herbaceous cover for water quality protection and wildlife habitat	Riparian Herbaceous Cover	390		
ANM07	386	Extending existing field borders for water quality protection and wildlife habitat	Field Border	386		
ANM08	645/647	Improve the plant diversity and structure of non-cropped areas for wildlife food and habitat	Upland wildlife Habitat Management & Early Successional Habitat Development/Management	645		
ANM09	528	Grazing management to improve wildlife habitat	Prescribed Grazing	528		
ANM10	511	Harvest hay in a manner that allows wildlife to flush and escape	Forage Harvest Management	511		
ANM11	338/645	Patch-burning to enhance wildlife habitat	Prescribed Burning & Upland Wildlife Habitat Management	645		
ANM12	644/646/356/587	Shallow water habitat	Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management, Shallow Water Development and Management, Dike, Structure for Water Control	644		
ANM13	390	Non-forested riparian zone enhancement for fish and wildlife	Riparian Herbaceous Cover	390		
ANM14	391	Riparian forest buffer, terrestrial and aquatic wildlife habitat	Riparian Forest Buffer	391		
ANM15	666/645	Forest stand improvement for habitat and soil quality	Forest Stand Improvement & Upland Wildlife Habitat Management	666		
ANM17	528	Monitoring nutritional status of livestock using the NUTBAL PRO System	Prescribed Grazing	528		
ANM18	614	Retrofit watering facility for wildlife escape	Watering Facility	614		
ANM19	386/422/612/645	Wildlife corridors	Field Border, Hedgerow Planting, Tree and Shrub Establishment, Upland Wildlife Habitat Management	645		
ANM20	381/645	Silvopasture for wildlife habitat	Silvo-Pasture Establishment & Upland Wildlife Habitat Management	381		
ANM21	550/528	Prairie restoration for grazing and wildlife habitat	Range Planting & Prescribed Grazing	550		
ANM22	643	Restoration and management of rare or declining habitats	Restoration and Management of Rare and Declining Habitats	643		
ANM23	550/512	Multi-species Native Perennials for Biomass/Wildlife Habitat	Range Planting, Pasture & Hayland Establishment, Prescribed Grazing	550		
ANM24	645	Forest Wildlife Structures	Upland wildlife Habitat Management	645		
ANM25	528	Stockpiling forages to extend the grazing season	Prescribed Grazing	528		
ANM26	528	Managing calving to coincide with forage availability	Prescribed Grazing	528		
ANM27	382	Wildlife Friendly Fencing	Fence	382		
ANM28	396	Aquatic Organism Passage Barrier Removal	Fish Passage	396		
ANM29	528,614, 516, 382	On-farm Forage Based Livestock systems	Prescribed Grazing, Water Facility, Pipeline, Fence	528		
ANM30	528,614, 516, 382	Ultra high density grazing system to improve soil quality	Prescribed Grazing, Water Facility, Pipeline, Fence	528		
CCR99	328	Resource-Conserving Crop Rotation	Conservation Crop Rotation	328		
ENR01	328/329	Fuel use reduction for field operations	Conservation Crop Rotation, Residue and Tillage management/No Till/Strip Till/Direct Seed	590		
ENR03	533	Pumping plant powered by renewable energy	Pumping Plant	533		
ENR05		Locally grown and marketed farm products	N/A			
ENR06	372	Upgrade of Old Diesel Powered Pumping Plants with a Cleaner Power Source	Combustion System Improvement	372		
ENR07	374	On-farm energy audit	On-Farm Equipment Efficiency Improvements	374		
ENR08	590, 340	Using nitrogen provided by legumes, animal manure and compost to supply 100% of the nutrient needs	Nutrient Management, Cover Crops	590		
ENR09	374	Variable Frequency Drive Electric Motors	On-Farm Equipment Efficiency Improvements	374		

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FPP02		On Farm Pilot Projects	N/A			
FRD01		On Farm Research and Demonstrations	N/A			
PLT01	327/386/332/422/645/647	Establish pollinator habitat	Conservation Cover, Field Border, Contour Buffer Strips, Hedge Row Planting/Upland Wildlife Habitat Management/Early Successional Habitat Development/Mgmt	386		
PLT02	528	Monitor key grazing areas to improve grazing management	Prescribed Grazing	528		
PLT03	666/384/338	Forest stand improvement, pre-treating vegetation and fuels	Forest Stand Improvement, Forest Slash Treatment, Prescribed Burning	666		
PLT04	338	Forest stand improvement, prescribed burning	Prescribed Burning	338		
PLT05	379/409/666	Multi-story cropping, sustainable management of nontimber forest plants	Multi-Story Cropping, Prescribed Forestry, Forest Stand Improvement	379		
PLT06	650	Renovation of a windbreak, shelter belt or hedgerow for wildlife habitat	Windbreak/Shelterbelt Renovation	650		
PLT07	666	Hardwood crop tree release	Forest Stand Improvement	666		
PLT08	327/386/332/422	Habitat development for beneficial insects for pest management	Conservation Cover, Field Border, Contour Buffer Strips, Hedge Row Planting	327		
PLT10	528	Intensive management of rotational grazing	Prescribed Grazing	528		
PLT11	666	Conifer Crop Tree Release	Forest Stand Improvement	666		
PLT12	666	Patch Harvesting	Forest Stand Improvement	666		
PLT13	394, 383	Forest Stand Improvement for Wildfire Reduction	Firebreak, Fuel Break	394		
PLT14	311	Alley cropping establishment for wildlife and beneficial insect habitat	Alley Cropping	311		
SOE01	329/340	Continuous no till with high residue	Residue Management & Cover Crop	329		
SOE02	327	Protection of cultural resource	Conservation Cover	327		
SOE03	329/340	Continuous no till organic system	Residue Management & Cover Crop	329		
SQL01		Controlled traffic system	N/A			
SQL02	340	Continuous cover crops	Cover Crop	340		
SQL03	554	Drainage water management for nutrient, pathogen, or pesticide reduction	Drainage Water Management	554		
SQL04	340	Use of cover crop mixes	Cover Crop	340		
SQL05	340	Use deep rooted crops to breakup soil compaction	Cover Crop	340		
SQL06	512	Conversion of cropped land to grass-based agriculture for biomass or forage production and wildlife habitat	Pasture and Hay planting	512		
SQL07	655	Forest stand improvement for soil quality	Forest Trails and Landings; Forest Stand Improvement	655		
SQL08	328	Intercropping to improve soil quality and increase biodiversity	Conservation Crop Rotation	328		
WQL01	314/595	Biological suppression and other non-chemical techniques to manage brush and invasive species	Brush Management & Pest Management	314		
WQL03	528	Rotation of supplement and feeding areas	Prescribed Grazing	528		
WQL04	590	Plant tissue tests and analysis to improve nitrogen management	Nutrient Management	590		
WQL05	590	Apply nutrients no more than 30 days prior to planned planting date	Nutrient Management	329		
WQL06	590	Apply controlled release nitrogen fertilizer	Nutrient Management	590		
WQL07	590	Split nitrogen applications 50% after crop emergence	Nutrient Management	590		
WQL08	590	Apply split applications of nitrogen based on a pre-sidedress nitrogen test on cropland	Nutrient Management	590		
WQL09	590	Apply phosphorus fertilizer below soil surface	Nutrient Management	590		
WQL10	340	Plant a cover crop that will scavenge residual nitrogen	Cover Crop	340		
WQL11	590	Precision application technology to apply nutrients	Nutrient Management	590		
WQL12	472/528	Managing livestock access to water bodies/courses	Access Control & Prescribed Grazing	472		
WQL13	595	High level integrated pest management to reduce pesticide environmental risk	Pest Management	595		
WQL14	629/590	Land application of treated manure	Waste Treatment & Nutrient Management	590		
WQL15	590/592	Reduce the concentration of nutrients on farm by limiting the amount of feed and fertilizer brought on livestock farms	Nutrient Management, Feed Management	592		
WQL16	340/590	Use of legume cover crops as a nitrogen source	Cover Crop & Nutrient Management	340		
WQL17	340	Use of non-chemical methods to kill cover crops	Cover Crop	340		
WQL18	595	Non-chemical pest control for livestock	Pest Management	595		
WQL19	528	Transition to organic grazing systems	Prescribed Grazing	528		
WQL20	328, 340, 590, 595	Transition to organic cropping systems	Conservation Crop Rotation, Cover Crop, Nutrient and Pest management	328		
WQL21	595	Integrated pest management for organic farming	Pest Management	595		
WQL22	317	On-farm composting of farm organic waste	Composting Facility	528		
WQL23	528	Protection of senescent areas on winter grazing land	Prescribed Grazing	528		
WQT01	449	Irrigation system automation	Irrigation Water Management	449		
WQT02	484	Mulching for moisture conservation	Mulching	484		
WQT03	533	Irrigation pumping plant evaluation	Pumping Plant	533		
WQT04	449	Regional weather networks for irrigation scheduling	Irrigation Water Management	449		
WQT05	449	Remote monitoring and notification of irrigation pumping plant operation	Irrigation Water Management	449		
WQT06	328	Conversion of irrigated land to non-irrigated crop production.	Conservation Crop Rotation	328		