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The Indiana CREP is a partnership between the Indiana State Department of Agriculture and the USDA Farm Service Agency.

### Eligibility

Landowners can offer eligible cropland and marginal pastureland in targeted CREP watersheds.

Cropland must meet cropping history criteria and be physically and legally capable of being cropped in a normal manner. Marginal pastureland along streams, watercourses, and certain upland areas is also eligible for enrollment.

Persons who have acreage under an existing CRP contract or an approved offer with a contract pending are ineligible for CREP on that acreage until that contract expires.



Riparian Buffer

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### Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP)



Grass Filter Strip

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# ELIGIBLE PRACTICES UNDER CREP

## **Establishment of Native Grasses (CP2)**

A mixed stand of at least 3 native grasses and at least 2 forbs or legumes will be established to reduce soil erosion, improve water quality, and create or enhance wildlife habitat. Native grass communities are often associated with prairies and may also include common wildflowers.

- Minimum 50ft wide
- Maximum 180ft wide

**FSA Cost-Share:** 50% NTE \$130 / Acre

**State Incentive:** \$100 / Acre

## **Hardwood Trees (CP3A)**

A mixed stand of 3 or more hardwood tree species will be utilized to establish a wooded corridor along and around water bodies.

- Minimum 35ft wide
- Maximum 180ft wide

**FSA Cost-Share:** 50% NTE \$155 / Acre

**FSA Second Yr Weed Control:** NTE \$34 / Acre

**State Incentive:** \$400 / Acre

## **Permanent Wildlife Habitat (CP4D)**

A mixed stand of at least 5 native grasses and forbs with at least 20% of the acreage being trees and/or shrubs in blocks or strips best suited for various wild-life species in the area.

- Minimum 35ft wide
- Maximum 180ft wide

**FSA Cost-Share:** 50% NTE \$155 / Acre

**State Incentive:** \$100 / Acre

## **Filter Strips (CP21)**

Areas of grass and other perennial (non-woody) vegetation that are established between agricultural fields and water bodies to improve water quality, reduce soil erosion, and stabilize streambanks.

- Minimum 35ft wide
- Maximum 120ft wide

**FSA Cost-Share:** 50% NTE \$73 / Acre for cool-season grasses and \$130 / Acre for native grasses

**One-time Practice Incentive Payment:** : equal to 40% of eligible installation costs

**One-time Signing Incentive:** \$100 / Acre

**State Incentive:** \$100 / Acre

## **Riparian Buffer (CP22)**

Areas of trees, shrubs, and grasses established along open bodies of water to provide soil protection, water quality enhancement and wildlife habitat.

- Minimum 35ft wide
- Maximum 180ft wide

**FSA Cost-Share:** 50% NTE \$266 / Acre

**FSA Second Yr Weed Control:** NTE \$34 / Acre

**One-time Practice Incentive Payment:** : equal to 40% of eligible installation costs

**One-time Signing Incentive:** \$100 / Acre

**State Incentive:** \$400 / Acre

## **Wetland Restoration (CP23 / CP23A)**

Re-establishment of a previously drained wetland by filling ditches, excavation, diking, or removing and/or breaking drains.

- Entire eligible fields may be enrolled.
- Must have hydric soils
- Debris must be removed from pipe inlets/outlets
- Pipes need to be inspected and repaired before restoration
- No maximum width limits

**FSA Cost-Share:** 50% of cost for excavation and hydrology restoration. Native grasses FR \$130 / Acre. Trees FR \$266 / Acre

**FSA Second Yr Weed Control:** NTE \$34 / Acre

**One-time Practice Incentive Payment:** : equal to 40% of eligible installation costs

**One-time Signing Incentive:** \$100 / Acre

**State Incentive:** \$950 / Acre

## **Bottomland Timber (CP31)**

Establish a native stand of predominantly hardwood trees in the 100-year floodplain of a stream with permanent flow to provide soil protection, water quality enhancement, and wildlife habitat.

- Entire eligible fields may be enrolled.

**FSA Cost-Share:** 50% NTE \$266 / Acre

**FSA Second Yr Weed Control:** NTE \$34 / Acre

**One-time Practice Incentive Payment:** : equal to 40% of eligible installation costs

**One-time Signing Incentive:** \$100 / Acre

**State Incentive:** \$400 / Acre

## **Other CREP Notes:**

- **Continuous Sign-up**
- 14 or 15-year contract with the USDA
- Annual rental payments based on Average Soil Rental Rates
  - **FSA:** normal CRP rental rates
  - **State Incentive:** 40% of rental rate for the life of the contract

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# Sullivan County CREP Watersheds

