

# ILLINOIS FARM SERVICE AGENCY

## 2012 EMERGENCY HAYING AND GRAZING

The counties on the attached map are approved for emergency CRP haying and grazing.

The authorization will become effective August 2, 2012, which is after the wildlife nesting and brood rearing season in Illinois and shall not exceed August 31, 2012 for haying. The authorization to graze will also begin August 2, 2012 and shall not exceed September 30, 2012.

Before haying or grazing, CRP participants:

- shall request approval at their county FSA office to hay or graze eligible acreage
  - eligible conservation practices are:
    - CP1 – Introduced Grasses and Legumes
    - CP2 – Native Grasses
    - CP4B – Wildlife Habitat Corridors
    - CP4D – Wildlife Habitat (except shrubs)
    - CP8A - Grass Waterway-Noneasement
    - CP10 – Grass Already Established
    - CP18B – Permanent Vegetation to Reduce Salinity
    - CP18C – Permanent Salt Tolerant Vegetative Cover
    - CP23 – Wetland Restoration
    - CP23A – Wetland Restoration, Non-Floodplain
    - CP25 – Rare & Declining Habitat
    - CP27 – Farmable Wetlands Pilot Wetland
    - CP28 – Farmable Wetland Pilot Buffer
    - CP37 – Duck Nesting Habitat
    - CP38E – SAFE (only acreage planted to practice standards correlating to standards of one of the above practices)
    - CP41 – FWP Flooded Prairie Wetlands
- shall obtain a modified conservation plan to include haying and grazing requirements, as determined by NRCS or TSP
- shall not hay or graze within 120 feet of a stream or other permanent water body
- if requesting to graze, shall leave 25% of each field or contiguous CRP fields ungrazed for wildlife, or graze not more than 75% of the stocking rate determined by NRCS or TSP
- if requesting to hay, shall leave at least 50% of each field or contiguous CRP fields unhayed for wildlife
- shall not hay or graze the same acreage
- producers may sell harvested hay under authority granted July 23, 2012
- shall limit haying to 1 cutting
- shall be assessed a 10% payment reduction based on the number of acres actually hayed or grazed
- shall remove all hay from all CRP fields by August 31, 2012 and remove all livestock from all CRP fields by September 30, 2012
- who do not own or lease livestock, may rent or lease the haying or grazing privilege to an eligible livestock producer.

For more information on eligibility requirements and to request approval for emergency haying and/or grazing of CRP acres, contact your local County FSA office.

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## Illinois Counties Approved for 2012 Emergency Haying & Grazing of Certain CRP Acreage

Effective After August 1 (End of Primary Nesting Season)  
As of August 3, 2012

