

For: State and County Offices

2025 Conservation Payments

Approved by: Acting Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs



1 Overview

A Background

According to 2-CRP, subparagraph:

- 462 B, CRP annual rental payments will be made, when authorized, after October 1 for each effective year
- 801 A, owners or operators who qualify under Transition Incentive Program (TIP) may be eligible to receive annual rental payments for up to 2 additional years after the CRP-1 expiration date.

B Purpose

This notice:

- advises State and County Offices that Conservation System Applications will be shut down at **5:00 p.m. CDT** on September 30, 2025, to prepare for the annual batch payment process for 2025 TIP, and CRP annual rental payments for contracts subject to 1-PL provisions
- advises State and County Offices that Conservation System Applications will be shut down at **5:00 p.m. CDT** on October 15, 2025, to prepare for the annual batch payment process for 2025 TIP subject to 4-PL provisions, and CRP annual rental payments for contracts subject to 4-PL, 5-PL, and 6-PL provisions

Disposal Date	Distribution
September 1, 2026 9-10-25	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

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1 Overview (Continued)

B Purpose (Continued)

- advises State and County Offices that on October 2, 2025, the annual batch payment process will be processed for 2025 CRP annual rental payments and TIP payments subject to 1-PL provisions
- advises State and County Offices that on October 16, 2025, the annual batch payment process will be processed for 2025 CRP annual rental payments for contracts subject to 4-PL, 5-PL, and 6-PL provisions and TIP payments subject to 4-PL provisions
- provides State and County Offices with the upcoming schedule for payment processing for CRP and TIP
- reminds State and County Offices that payment reports are accessible through the Common Payment Reports System according to 9-CM.

2 CRP Schedule

A Batch Processing Order of CRP Contracts

CRP and TIP contracts subject to 1-PL provisions **must** be processed first for the system to properly determine payment limitation; followed by processing TIP contracts subject to 4-PL provisions, and CRP contracts subject to 4-PL, 5-PL, and 6-PL provisions.

There will be 2 separate batch payment processes to ensure that payments are processed in the correct order and to allow time for County Offices to correct any issues that have reduced or prevented payment on 1-PL CRP and 1-PL TIP contracts before the 4-PL, 5-PL, 6-PL CRP, and 4-PL TIP contract batch occurs.

The first batch will begin running the 1-PL TIP and 1-PL CRP contracts on **October 2, 2025**. NPS will remain online allowing payments to be certified and signed as soon as processed.

The second batch will begin running on **October 16, 2025**, to start processing 4-PL, 5-PL, and 6-PL CRP contracts, and 4-PL TIP contracts. NPS will remain online allowing payments to be certified and signed as soon as processed.

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2 CRP Schedule (Continued)

B Conservation Software Schedule

The following is the projected software schedule for CRP and TIP.

Projected Date	Action
September 30, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. CDT	<p>Shut down the following conservation applications to prepare for annual batch payment processing for 1-PL TIP and 1-PL CRP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conservation Contract Maintenance System (CCMS) • Conservation Funds Ledger System (CFLS) • Conservation Online System (COLS) • Conservation Payments (CP) • Cost Share Software (CSS) • GRP.
October 2, 2025	<p>All conservation applications will be back online after 1-PL payment processing is completed.</p> <p>1-PL TIP and 1-PL CRP payments are available in NPS for certification and signature.</p>
October 15, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. CDT	<p>Shut down the following conservation applications to prepare for annual batch payment processing for 4-PL TIP, 4-PL, 5-PL, and 6-PL CRP contracts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CCMS • CFLS • COLS • CP • CSS • GRP.
October 16, 2025	<p>All conservation applications will be back online after payment processing is completed.</p> <p>As payments process to NPS, users may begin certifying and signing payments.</p>

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A State Office Action

For issues regarding payment software problems or payments not issuing as expected, please reach out to Aren Dameron in the Payments and Repayments Branch of PDD or use the DAFP Payments Issues SharePoint.

State Offices must ensure that County Offices are aware of the contents of this notice.

B County Office Action

County Offices must:

- have all contract data updated correctly in CCMS before the first payment run to ensure that manual reprocessing of payments is not necessary after the batch payment processes, which could result in contracts being paid out of the correct 1-PL then 4-PL/5-PL/6-PL order
- use the Common Payment Reports, Prepayment Report to resolve any outstanding reduction issues **before 5:00 p.m. CDT on September 30, 2025**
- begin certifying and signing:
 - 1-PL TIP and 1-PL CRP payments in NPS on or about **October 2, 2025**
 - 4-PL TIP, 4-PL, 5-PL, 6-PL CRP payments in NPS on or about **October 16, 2025**
- use the Common Payment Reports, Nonpayment/Reduction Report to resolve issues that prevented or reduced payments after each batch payment run
- use the Conservation Payments, “Make NPS Payment” option according to 5-CRP, Part 5 after correcting issues causing a contract payment failure, if applicable.