

Non-Emergency Haying and Grazing Conservation Reserve Program

All non-emergency haying and grazing must be discussed and approved with your local Farm Service Agency (FSA) county office prior to starting the activity. Under no circumstances may non-emergency haying or grazing be permitted if such activity would cause long-term damage to the vegetative cover on the land, determined on a site-by-site basis. Available to start 12 months after cover is fully established.

- Non-emergency activities may occur according to the conservation plan during drought / natural disaster conditions, but the site conditions should be taken into consideration and the plan modified, as needed.
- Non-emergency harvesting for hay or biomass may occur only once during the approved event. Haying/harvesting may not occur later than August 31. Participants must leave 25 percent of the contract acres unharvested or hayed. The unharvested acreage does not need to be the same acres each year.
- Non-emergency grazing must not exceed 120 days. During the primary nesting season (PNS), there must be a 50 percent carrying capacity reduction.
- Participant may rent or sell the hay or grazing rights. However, the CRP participant is responsible for any damages to the stand.
- Non-emergency haying and grazing requires a 25 percent reduction in annual rental payment.

CONSERVATION RESERVE PROGRAM PRACTICES		OUTSIDE PNS		DURING PNS	
		HAYING (EVERY THIRD YEAR)	GRAZING (EVERY OTHER YEAR)	HAYING	GRAZING
CP1	Establishment of Permanent Introduced Grasses & Legumes	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP2	Establishment of Permanent Native Grasses	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP3	Tree Planting	No	No	No	No
CP3A	Hardwood Tree Planting	No	No	No	No
CP4B	Permanent Wildlife Habitat Corridors	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP4D	Permanent Wildlife Habitat	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP5A	Field Windbreak Establishment	No	No	No	No
CP8A	Grass Waterways, Noneasement	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP9	Shallow Water Areas for Wildlife	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP10	Existing Grass	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP12	Wildlife Food Plot	No	No	No	No
CP15A & B	Contour Grass Sod Strip	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP16A	Shelterbelt Establishment	No	No	No	No
CP17A	Living Snow Fences	No	No	No	No
CP18B & C	Establishment of Permanent Vegetation to reduce Salinity; Establishment of Permanent Salt Tolerant Vegetative Cover	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP21B & C	Filter Strips; Denitrifying Bioreactor on Filter Strips; Saturated Filter Strips	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP22	Riparian Buffers	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP22B	Denitrifying Bioreactor on Riparian Buffers	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP22S	Saturated Riparian Buffers	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP23	Wetland Restoration	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP23A	Wetland Restoration, Non-floodplain	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP24	Cross Wind Trap Strips	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP25	Rare and declining Habitat (tree practices may not be hayed)	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP27	Farmable Wetlands Pilot Wetland	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP28	Farmable Wetlands Pilot Buffer	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP29	Marginal Pastureland Wildlife Habitat Buffer	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP30	Marginal Pastureland Wetland Buffer	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP31	Bottomland Timber Establishment on Wetlands	No	No	No	No
CP33	Habitat for Upland Birds	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP36	Long Leaf Pine - Establishment	No	No	No	No
CP37	Duck Nesting Habitat	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP39	FWP Constructed Wetland	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP40	FWP Aquaculture Wetland Restoration	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP41	FWP Flooded Prairie Wetlands	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP42	Pollinator Habitat	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
CP43	Prairie Strip	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity
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CP38A	SAFE - Buffers			No	
CP38B	SAFE - Wetlands			No	
CP38C	SAFE - Trees			No	
CP38D	SAFE - Long Leaf Pine			No	
CP38E	SAFE - Grass	100% of acres	Yes	No	50% of carrying capacity

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Consult you local FSA County Office before taking any action, all request for Emergency Activities must be pre-approved by the COC.

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- Emergency Haying outside of the primary nesting season (PNS), one cutting may be authorized up to 60 days from when the activity is approved or from when the participant receives their modified conservation plan during the program year. *Emergency Haying is not authorized within the PNS.*
- Emergency Grazing may utilize up to 90 consecutive days or a total of 90 days before and after the PNS (if county is still eligible for emergency grazing) subject to a modified conservation plan during the program year.
- No fee or reduction assessed for Emergency Haying and Grazing. Participant may rent or sell the emergency haying and grazing. However, the CRP participant is responsible for any damages to the stand.

CONSERVATION RESERVE PROGRAM PRACTICES		DROUGHT CONDITION					
		EMERGENCY D2 OUTSIDE OF PNS		D2 FOR 8 WEEKS, D3, D4 (LFP PAYMENTS TRIGGERED)			
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