NRCS is currently making program payments for the EQIP and CSP programs for producers wishing to get paid in 2020 or those that had yet to certify completion of conservation practices done in 2019. We are still working in the field on a few EQIP/NRD CAP terrace projects thanks to a rather mild start to the winter, however with the understanding that mother nature can shut things down in a matter of a few hours this time of year. We are continuing to accept EQIP applications for conservation work planned in 2020 as well as applications for CSP and CRP referrals to FSA. Between certifying and approving payments and accepting applications staff have been fairly busy for this time of year.

I am happy to announce that the vacancy announcement for the Tekamah Resource Conservationist (RC) position will be advertised on USAjobs.com this week. Looking forward to back filling that position in the next month or so as it is a very busy office and one that will get us closer to our goal of being a fully staffed NRD.

That concludes my brief report for January, hoping you all had a great holiday and looking forward to a new and successful year!

Respectfully,

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