

**NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE
REPORT TO THE
PAPIO MISSOURI RIVER NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT
May 8, 2025**

STAFFING UPDATES

- Robert Hall, Resource Conservationist in Blair, retired April 29.

ACTIVITIES/Trainings :

- We had a local compliance review training for NRCS staff today, May 8
- Staff have had various online trainings pertaining to CRP and Threatened and Endangered Species
- Select NRCS Staff attended Productivity & Efficiency Training this week
- Staff will soon begin conducting FSA Compliance Reviews
- Staff continue to work on HEL (Highly Erodible Land) determinations as they have time

PROGRAMS:

EQIP & CSP:

- We continue to accept EQIP and CSP applications on a continuous basis.
- We continue to make progress in obligating preapproved EQIP funds
- We continue to work on practice design, certification and maintenance on existing contracts.
- Upcoming deadlines that we are currently working to meet are as follows:
 - April 30- CSP Obligation Deadline
 - We have 11 CSP applications within our NRD preapproved thus far with an approx. dollar value of \$550,000

CRP

- Staff remain busy with the following:
 - Getting the required status reviews completed on existing contracts (those newly installed, establishment, and expiring)
 - Getting mid contract management job sheets to producers and providing technical advice to them as needed so that they can complete any required mid contract management scheduled for this fall through next spring.

Thank you for your time and the opportunity to share with you what the NRCS staff have been up to.

***Respectfully Submitted,
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