Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)
EQIP helps promote farm and forest production by enhancing the environmental quality of soil, water, air, plants and animals.

Within the Papio-Missouri River NRD, 25 applications have been approved for funding in fiscal year 2016. The 25 contracts are providing $436,980.00 in incentives to install conservation practices. Of the approved applications, 3 were with Beginning Farmers/Ranchers.

- Cropland – 13 contracts
- Grassland – 3 contracts
- Forestland – 3 contracts
- High Tunnels – 5 contracts

Cropland – Practices being installed include:
- Cover Crops
- Terrace Systems – terraces, grassed waterways, underground outlets

Grassland – Practices being installed include:
- Grazing Systems - water well, livestock pipeline, tanks, fence, grass planting

Forestry – Practices being installed include:
- Timber Stand Improvement
- Windbreak Renovation
- Tree/Shrub Establishment
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