

**Natural Resources Conservation Service
Report To
Papio-Missouri River NRD Board
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Interested Producers Should Sign Up for Conservation Stewardship Program Now

The Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) is a voluntary conservation program that encourages producers to address resource concerns in a comprehensive manner by undertaking new conservation activities; and improving, maintaining, and managing existing conservation activities.



**Land Stewardship
Has Its Rewards**

The time to apply for the Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) is now. Don't wait.

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What is CSP?

The Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) offers payments to producers who maintain a high-level of conservation on their land and agree to adopt additional stewardship practices, such as improved erosion control, better water quality practices, rangeland improvement or wildlife habitat management.

Is CSP right for you?

- Are you a good manager of your land and livestock?
- Are you interested in adopting innovative conservation practices for your operation?

For more information visit:
www.ne.nrcs.usda.gov
or contact your local NRCS Service Center for more details.

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Environmental Quality Incentives Program Update

An additional \$110,000 has been provided to Papio-Missouri River landowners to install conservation practices to control erosion. These funds will be used to install terraces systems on cropland in the district.



WHY ARE WETLANDS IMPORTANT?

Wetlands provide the following functions:

- Improving Water Quality
- Providing Habitat for Wildlife, Fish, and Unusual Plants
- Reducing Flooding and Soil Erosion
- Supplying Water
- Producing Food and Fiber
- Providing Recreational and Educational Opportunities

Wetlands are a good indicator of planetary environmental health. The impact of human activity on wetlands is a major concern of NRCS. Considerable guidance exists to minimize harmful impacts and encourage wetland conservation. Contact your local NRCS office for more information.

May 2013 is Asian American/Pacific Islander Heritage Month!

(A celebration of Asians and Pacific Islanders in the United States)



"Building Leadership: Embrace the Cultural Values and Inclusion."



*The month of May was chosen to commemorate the immigration of the first Japanese to the United States on May 7, 1843, and to mark the anniversary of the completion of the transcontinental railroad on May 10, 1869.



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