

Brookings Conservation District Board Meeting
NRCS Monthly Board Report
April 3, 2023

Assistance/Progress

- CRP
 - Completing CRP Conservation Plans.
 - Completing FY23 expiring contract reviews.
 - General CRP sign-up started 2/27 and runs thru 4/7.

- CSP
 - We had one application selected for funding. We are currently finishing up the planning and contracting paperwork.
 - CSP Renewal letters have been sent out to those eligible contracts that expire this year. They will have until 4/28 to complete an application for renewal.

- EQIP
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 - Contract management and practice certification.
 - We didn't have any applications that were selected for funding.

- WRP/WRE/FPE
 - Our FY21 WRE selection is close to finally closing on the easement and it could happen in the coming weeks if all goes as planned.

- HEL/Wetland Determinations
 - Current with all offsite WC requests as of 3/20/23.
 - Requests requiring onsite reviews will be addressed once the weather breaks and field work commences.
 - Current on HEL requests.

- Upper Deer Creek CIS Proposal
 - Batching date was 3/17.
 - We received 8 applications by the deadline. Personally, I am very pleased with the amount of interest we have received.
 - With this level of interest, it appears we should be able to spend our allocation.
 - Field work/planning will begin in earnest once the weather finally breaks.

- Oakwood Lakes CIS Project
 - The batching date was December 2nd for the FY23 sign-up.
 - We have 3 applications.
 - We may offer a 2nd sign-up this year.

Other Items of Interest

- NRCS had the All-Employee Meeting in Mitchell from March 27-29, as planned. A good time was had by all.

Plans for Board review & approval

- No plans for review this month.

