

**Brookings Conservation District Board Meeting**  
**NRCS Monthly Board Report**  
**July 5, 2023**

**Assistance/Progress**

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- CRP
  - Completing CRP Conservation Plans.
  - Wrapped up FY24 expiring CRP Status Reviews.
  - General CRP - 8 of the 10 offers were accepted.
  
- CSP
  - 2 CSP-IRA applications were selected for funding and wrapping up planning/contracting.
  - Checklists were sent to all contract holders to help with documentation and payment certification.
  
- EQIP
  - EQIP Classic
    - Contract management and practice certification.
  - Act Now
    - Our 4 selected applications have now gone to contract.
  
- WRP/WRE/FPE
  - David will be on paternity leave until September, so Marcus Rock will be the point of contact during that time.
  
- HEL/Wetland Determinations
  - 3 wetland determinations to complete.
    - Jacob will be working on easement checks and training and won't be getting back to wetland determinations until ~August.
  - 0 HEL requests outstanding.
  - They did not have the number of applicants they had hoped for to fill Craig's position in Brookings, so they will be reposting that position again.
  
- Upper Deer Creek CIS Proposal
  - Batching date was 3/17.
    - We have 8 applications for this sign-up
    - We have set a deadline of 7/21 to have assessments and rankings done on these applications.
  
- Oakwood Lakes CIS Project
  - We have 3 applications.
    - We have set a deadline of 6/30 to have assessments and rankings done on these applications. Hopefully by the time you read this, we met our deadline and have know which applications have been pre-approved.

## Other Items of Interest

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- Emily attended the Soil Health & Sustainability Training 6/21 – 6/23.

### **Plans for Board review & approval**

- 4 EQIP ACT Now plans for review this month.
  - All 4 plans are for partial shelterbelt renovations.

