

Michigan CREP Process Overview

Promotion

Who: Conservation District, FSA, NRCS, & Partners

What: Meetings, Fliers, Brochures, Mailings, & Farm Visits.

Site Visit

Who: NRCS or TSP

What: Based on site visit, resource concern is identified & implementation of CP is feasible & needed. Existing cover is addressing the purpose of CP.

File, Compiled, & Sign

Who: Participant & FSA

What: Participant accepts offer & signs CRP-1/CRP-2C.

Conservation Plan Review

Who: NRCS

What: Conservation Plan & 1155 (*estimated cost share*) ready for review.

Contract Approval

Who: FSA & MDARD

What: Contract approval. Participant may begin practice implementation, FSA issues SIP and MDARD issues enrollment/ re-enrollment bonus.

See 2-CRP subpar. 171 C for fully defined MI CREP step-by-step process



Eligibility

Who: FSA

What: establishes, farm records, determines eligibility, initiates offer.



Participant Notification

Who: FSA

What: Notice to Producer of accepted/ rejected/ modified offer.



Conservation Planning Begins

Who: NRCS or TSP

What: Conservation Plan, supporting documents: 1155s, Maps, CPA-52, Job Sheets, etc.



File, Compile, & Sign

Who: NRCS, FSA, and TSP

What: Producer signs Conservation Plan, & 1155. Assistance from CD for SIGMA.



Practice Installation

Who: Participant

What: Submits receipts for C/S reimbursement & practice installation certification.

Michigan CREP Incentives, Payments, & Practices

Federal Incentives and Payments

- Soil Rental Rate (SRR) Payment base on 3 predominate soils
- 40% SRR Incentive
- Climate Smart Incentive – added to SRR
 - Grasses & Legumes = 5% (CP1)
 - Grass = 3% (CP2 & CP21)
 - Woody Biomass = 10% (CP5A & CP22)
 - Wetland (aquatic or emergent) = 3% (CP23 & CP23A)
- 50% cost-share for practice installation ^{1/}
- Signing Incentive Payment (SIP) based on 32.5% of first full year annual rental payment – applicable to new enrolled acres only ^{1/}
- Practice Incentive Payment (PIP) 10% ^{1/}
- 50% Cost-Share for Management Activities applicable only to CP22

State Incentives and Payments

- 50% cost-share for practice installation ^{1/}
- New Enrollment Bonus
 - Enrollment Bonus \$150 p/ac CP5A, CP21, CP22, CP23/23A, & CP26
 - Water Quality Incentive Payment – applicable to land located in the Western Lake Erie Basin Watershed only ^{1/}
 - \$50/ac CP21, CP22, CP23/23A, & CP26
- Re-Enrollment Bonus
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 - \$50 p/ac CP1 & CP2
 - \$150 p/ac CP5A, CP21, CP22, CP23/23A, & CP26
- Maintenance & Management Payment
 - \$100 p/ac CP1, CP2, CP5A, CP21, CP22, & CP23/23A
 - \$500 p/ac CP26

CREP Practices

- CP1, Establishment of Permanent Introduced Grasses and Legumes
- CP2, Establishment of Permanent Native Grass
- CP5A, Field Windbreak
- CP21, Filter Strips
- CP22, Riparian Buffer
- CP23/23A, Wetland Restorations
- CP26, Sediment Control Structure

Acronym Key

CP= Conservation Practice

CD=Conservation District

SIGMA= State of Michigan Vendor Self Service Registration for EFT.

^{1/} Reenrolled land is not eligible to receive these incentives