

PRAIRIE RESTORATION RESOURCES



Are you considering converting your land to prairie? Here are a number of programs and resources available to you as you start your journey!

EQIP (ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY INCENTIVES PROGRAM)

- THROUGH THE NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE (NRCS)

- Offers a large selection of practices producers and landowners can implement
- Contract length varies depending on practice(s) chosen, applicants receive payments after they implement the practice(s)
- Payment rates are approximately 60% of actual costs
- Can submit an application at any time. NRCS will process applications 1-2 times annually generally in the spring, the program is competitive.



CONTINUOUS CRP (CONSERVATION RESERVE PROGRAM)

- THROUGH THE FARM SERVICE AGENCY (FSA) AND THE NRCS

- Up to a 15 year program of putting crop ground into perennial vegetation (native and introduced species)
- Receive an annual rental payment based on the 3 most predominant soils in the offer area.
- Contracts begin 10/1 - 11/1 annually, can apply anytime.



CSP (CONSERVATION STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM)

- THROUGH THE NRCS

- A 5-year program in which you receive a payment based on the conservation practices currently utilizing and payment for additional practices agreed to implement. CSP offers a variety of enhancements to add to the operation.
- Applications can be submitted at any time, applications are processed annually (typically in spring).



Also contact your county soil and water conservation district to learn about potential programs and cost-share!