

# Continuous CRP Practices for Water Quality and Wildlife-

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CP9: Shallow Water Area for Wildlife	Rental only	Yes	No	Yes	Limited to 10 acres. Eligible lands include Farmed Wetlands, Prior Converted Wetlands, or other suitable non-hydric soils. Water depth average between 6-18 inches.
**CP21: Filter Strips	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Cropland edges next to perennial, seasonal, or other water water bodies for filtering run-off. Width: 20-120 feet.
CP22: Riparian Forest Buffer	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Cropland or certain pastureland next to perennial or seasonal streams. Width: 35 to 180 feet. Greater widths where certain conditions exist, example- up to the high water mark (sediment deposits) found after flood events in the riparian basin.
CP23: Wetland Restoration & CP23A Wetland Restoration (Non-floodplain)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	CP23- 3 to 1 ratio-buffer to wetlands. Cropland in 100-year floodplain & contains minimum 51% hydric soils. Wetland CP23A does not have to be in floodplain or 51% hydric soils. 4 to 1 ratio-buffer to wetlands can be enrolled.
**CP29: Marginal Pastureland Wildlife Habitat Buffers	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Pastureland adjacent/parallel to river, creeks, seasonal streams, other permanent water bodies such as lakes, ponds that provide water throughout most of the year. Width: 20-120 feet.
CP31: Bottomland Timber Establishment on Wetlands	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Cropland in the 100-year floodplain.

(last revised 6/6/14)

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- ✓ **\*Signing Incentive Payment (SIP)** \$100 per acre in a one time payment for a 10-15 year contract. (CP23, CP23A, CP33 & CP42 receive a \$150/acre SIP.)
- ✓ **Practice Incentive Payment (PIP)** offers a 40% incentive which covers an additional 40% of practice establishment cost.
- ✓ **Maintenance Payment-** CP22 receives \$2/acre maintenance payment added to per acre rental payment without fencing/water planned. CP21, CP22 & CP29 receives \$4 per acre when permanent fencing planned and \$5 per acre when permanent fencing & water development are planned.
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**CP33 Wildlife Habitat for Upland Birds	Rental only	Yes	Yes	Yes	Cropland edges, native grass buffers 30-120 feet eligible.
CP40 Aquaculture Wetland Restoration	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Commercial fish ponds that sold food fish during one year between 2002-2008 of of \$1,000 or more; Maximum water cover- 20%; Average water depth-6-18 inches.
**CP42 Pollinator	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Whole fields eligible; block or strip plantings not less than ½ acre with strips a minimum of 20 feet wide; Seeding mixes of 9 species of NATIVE pollinator-friendly -wildflowers, legumes, and/or shrubs (species selection should include 3 species that bloom April to June 15, June 15 to end of July and August to October- NRCS has plant list to determine these species. The 3 species not need be in bloom these entire periods); Introduced flowering plants (ex. clover, alfalfa) may include no more than 20% of seed mixture; Seeding mixes cannot include more than 25% grasses and must be native species; Trees may not be planted;  Edge feathering is allowed with cost/share by dropping trees where adjacent woodlands are present next to the contract with chain-saw into the pollinator cover.

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**NOTE: Croplands require a cropping history of 4 out of 6 years from passage of Farm Bill.**