

FEDERAL INCENTIVE PROGRAMS AVAILABLE IN OHIO

Program Name	Program Purpose	Contact Agency
Conservation Reserve Program (CRP)	To protect soil, water and wildlife while improving water quality.	United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA), USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS, local soil and water conservation district (SWCD).
Emergency Watershed Protection Program (EWP)	To reduce threats to life and property in the wake of natural disasters.	USDA/NRCS, SWCD.
Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)	To address significant natural resource concerns on agricultural lands.	USDA/NRCS, USDA/FSA, SWCD.
Farmland Protection Program (FPP)	Purchase of conservation easements to reduce erosion	USDA/NRCS, SWCD.
Flood Risk Reduction (FRR)	Provides incentives to not farm frequently flooded lands.	USDA/FSA.
Grassland Reserve Program (GRP)	Voluntary program offering landowners the opportunity to protect, restore, and enhance grasslands, rangeland, pastureland, shrubland and certain other lands in addition to providing assistance for rehabilitating grasslands. The program will conserve vulnerable grasslands from conversion to cropland or other uses.	USDA/NRCS, USDA/FSA, USDA/Forest Service, SWCD.
Forest Land Enhancement Program (FLEP)	To encourage the long term sustainability of non-industrial private forest lands by assisting owners of private forest lands and their related resources through the use of state, federal and private sector resource management expertise, financial assistance, and educational programs.	USDA/Forest Service, Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) Division of Forestry (DOF).
Resource Conservation & Development Program (RC & D)	Enhance environmental and economic well being through resource conservation.	USDA/NRCS.
Wetland Reserve Program (WRP)	Provides funds to help offset costs of wetland restoration and production loss.	USDA/NRCS, USDA/FSA, SWCD.
Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program (WHIP)	Develop habitat for fish and wildlife on private lands.	USDA/NRCS, USDA/FSA, SWCD.
Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP)	To protect soil, water, wildlife and improve water quality.	USDA/NRCS, USDA/FSA, ODNR/Division of Soil & Water Conservation (DSWC), SWCD.