Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program Aggregated from 2006 - 2020 (CREP)

Program	Cropland Water Savings
Lead Implementer	Idaho Soil and Water Conservation Commission
Funders	Idaho Department of Fish and Game, Idaho Department of Water Resources, Idaho Ground Water Association, Idaho Soil and Water Conservation Commission, USDA Farm Service Agency
Other Organizations	Blaine Conservation District, Central Bingham Conservation District, East Cassia Conservation District, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, Jefferson County Conservation District, Madison Conservation District, Minidoka Conservation District, North Side Conservation District, Power Conservation District, South Bingham Conservation District, Twin Falls Conservation District, West Cassia Conservation District, West Side Conservation District, Wood River Conservation District
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Project Stage	Implementation
Duration	2007 - 2020

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A multi-county program assisting landowners to retire ground water sourced irrigated cropland for 15 years to help reduce consumptive use within the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer (ESPA), allowing for stabilization and replenishment of the aquifer. There are 187 active contracts enrolled covering 18,484 acres.

Cumulative program stats from 2006 to 2019 include: Total Area Covered (acres) 235,043; Conservation Cover (acres) 235,043; Water Conserved (acre feet) 470,087. Total Program Reported Expenditures $164,492,666. See individual counties listed under "Conservation Reserve Enhancement" for detailed breakdown of performance measure information.

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Stand of mixed grasses in a CREP field
Credit: Chuck Pentzer

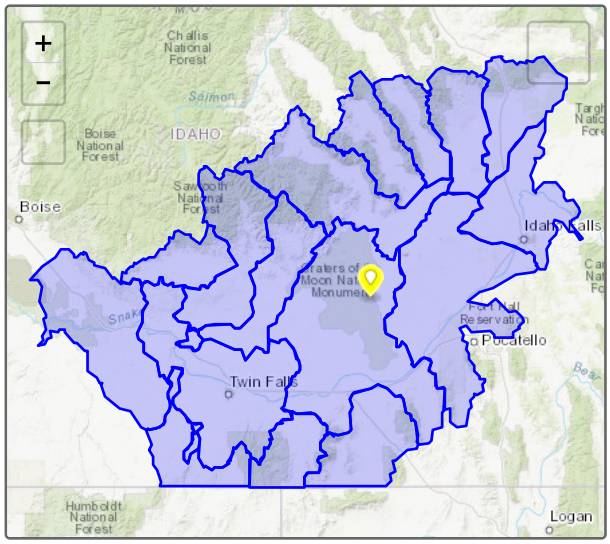
Key Accomplishments

Accomplishments to be provided upon completion of Project

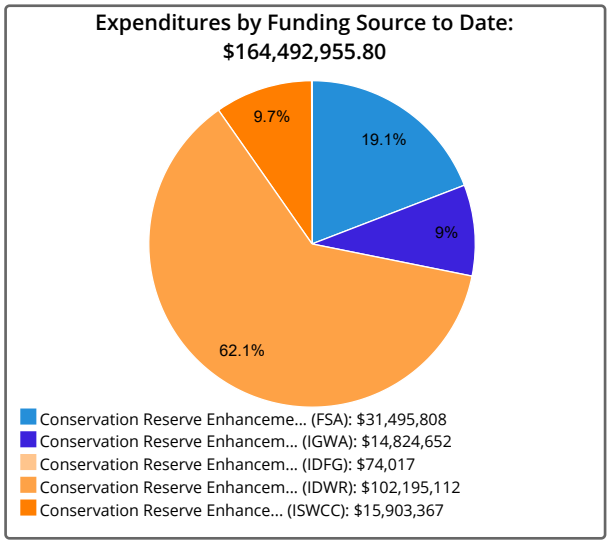
Project Themes

- Agricultural Lands
- Habitat and Species
- Healthy Watersheds
- Soils
- Water

Location



Expenditures



Photos

No additional photos provided

Tracker tells stories at a broad-brush level. Individual project performance measures and expenditures should not be relied upon for complete and total accuracy and should be confirmed with a project's lead implementer. Project locations subject to confidentiality provisions under state and federal law specify the location of a local conservation district or USDA service center office.

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