Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (Minidoka, Wood River, Blaine CD)

Program	Cropland Water Savings
Lead Implementer	Idaho Soil and Water Conservation Commission
Other Organizations	Blaine Conservation District, Idaho Department of Fish and Game, Idaho Department of Water Resources, Idaho Ground Water Association, Minidoka Conservation District, USDA Farm Service Agency, Wood River Conservation District
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Project Stage	Implementation
Duration	2006 - 2019

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The CREP acres enrolled in Minidoka county aid in reducing consumptive use of groundwater on cropland in the Eastern Snake River Plain. Some contracts are physically located in neighboring counties but administered thru the Minidoka FSA office. ISWCC staff work with each participant to prepare conservation and seeding plans for establishing and maintaining conservation cover for the 15 year contract period. In FY 2019, there are currently 64 active contracts on 4,808 acres.

Key Accomplishments/expenditures are cumulative amounts. See the aggregated CREP project listed under "Conservation Reserve Enhancement Aggregated from 2006 – 2019
(CREP)" for a breakdown of all program funding.

CREP field
Credit: CPentzer

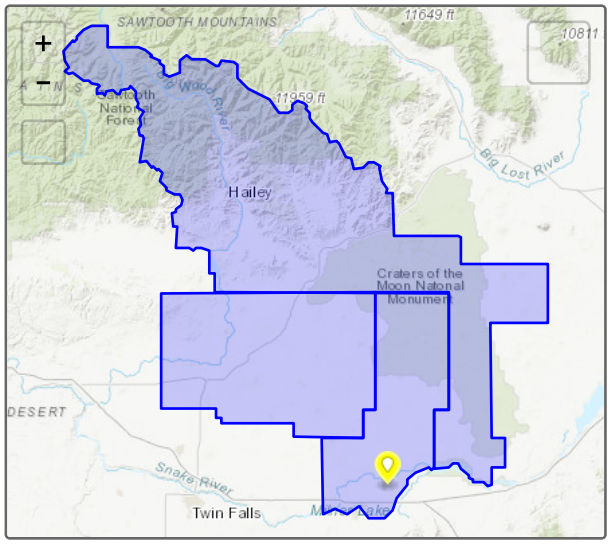
Key Accomplishments

- Acres Enrolled (Conservation Cover 327): **59,230.00 acres**
- Water Conserved: **118,462 acre-ft**
- Engineering & Technical Assistance Hours Requested: **0**
- Engineering & Technical Assistance Hours Allocated: **0**
- Engineering & Technical Assistance Hours Provided: **2461**
- Engineering & Technical Assistance Value: **$153,565.66**

Project Themes

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

Location



Expenditures

No expenditures provided

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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