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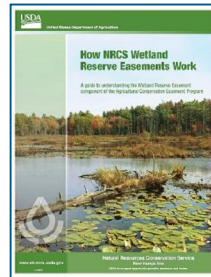
Wetland Reserve Easements



NRCS provides technical and financial assistance directly to private landowners and Indian tribes to restore, protect, and enhance wetlands through the purchase of a wetland reserve easement.

Permanent Easements

Permanent Easements are conservation easements in perpetuity. NRCS pays 100 percent of the easement value for the purchase of the easement. Additionally, NRCS pays between 75 to 100 percent of the restoration costs. NRCS also pays all costs associated with recording the easement in the local land records office, including recording fees, charges for abstracts, survey and appraisal fees, and title insurance.



Eligibility

Land eligible for wetland reserve easements includes farmed or converted wetland that can be successfully and cost-effectively restored. NRCS will prioritize applications based the easement's potential for protecting and enhancing habitat for migratory birds and other wildlife.

To enroll land through wetland reserve easements, NRCS enters into purchase agreements with eligible private landowners or Indian tribes that include the right for NRCS to develop and implement a wetland reserve restoration easement plan. This plan restores, protects, and enhances the wetland's functions and values.

Press Release announcing FY 2018 Batching Dates

Program Application Forms and Appraisal Specifications

Application

[2018 WRE Practice List](#)

[2018 WRE Ranking Sheet](#)

[FY 2018 WRE Geographic Area Rate Cap \(GARC\) Information](#)

[FY 2018 WRE Agreement to Purchase](#)

[Wetland Reserve Easement \(WRE\) Appraisal Specifications](#)

[WRE 24 Month Ownership Waiver Guidance](#)

[WRE Warranty Easement Deed](#)

[Easement Boundary Field Review Memo to the File](#)

[Supplement to APCE Landowner Procurement of Easement Boundary Survey](#)

[NRCS Easement Programs for Land Survey Specifications](#)

[WRE Process Flow Chart](#)

[Producer and Land Eligibility](#)

The information in these documents are for general reference only. Final GARC values will be determined by New Hampshire NRCS staff.

WRE and WRP Archived Documents from prior years

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