

Programs Update

- CSP**
 - 10 preapproved CSP applications
 - 15 CSP renewal applications due May 5th
 - o participants were notified via mail April 4th

- EQIP**
 - Two 2017 EQIP contracts obligated
 - Working with programs staff on actions needed for violations on existing contracts

- WRP/WRE**
 - FY2017 Monitoring
 - o Contribution agreement with SDACD has 85 easement monitorings assigned to the Brookings County Conservation District
 - Complete onsite monitoring for all assigned easements
 - Divide up and submit monthly (June 1, July 1, August 1) to assist easement staff with processing
 - o Remaining easements are assigned to an easement support specialist
 - Final restoration plan completed for WRE easement
 - Working on current CUA requests

- CRP**
 - Currently 23 new offer and 15 re-enroll applications to process
 - 23 CRP burn plans reviewed with producer and approved for mid-term management
 - PF Biologist from Murdo assisted on CRP in Brookings for a week
 - o An effort is being made across the state to have a group of partners gather at the state office mid-May to complete CRP plans, field offices have been asked to complete all field visits and mapping for this effort

Wetlands

- There are currently 11 outstanding CWD requests to be completed in Brookings County

Other

- 2017 FSA compliance review information to assigned reviewer by May 12
- 2017 tillage survey information provided April 27th, data to be submitted by June 15

Staffing

- Hiring freeze was lifted, no updates on vacancies
- Pathways student: Victor Tuschen starts May 15
- Ultima: Kristen Ford's last day is May 5

Dates

- 5/29 Service Center closed for Memorial Day
- 5/31 Ryan on the Radio 8:40 am