

### Programs Update

- CSP**
  - 2017 activity payments (March 16<sup>th</sup> deadline)
    - o 14 remain (of 91)
      - 7 pending modifications/violations
      - 7 require information from producer
  - 23 FY2018 CSP applications received by March 2nd batching date
  - Renewal CSP applications for contracts expiring in 2018 due April 13, 2018
  - Contract status reviews to be completed by March 30
  
- EQIP**
  - Two Brooking County FY18 applications preapproved for funding
    - o 1 in Honeybee funding pool, 1 in Southern Coteau funding pool
    - o Additional funding is being requested to fund additional FY2018 applications
  - Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP)
    - o March 16 batching date for Ducks Unlimited and Central Big Sioux River Projects
  - Contract status reviews to be completed by March 30
  
- WRP/WRE**
  - Prepared modification to close out 1 restoration contract
  - Submitted signed documentation for 3 easement transfers, learned of 2 more transfers needed for change of ownership
  - Reviewing active and expired CUAs, preparing new CUAs for review
  - Onsite easement monitoring due August 1
    - o For those assigned to partners, send email to DC when completed ones are added to the local shared drive folder
  
- CRP**
  - Contract holders are scheduling appointments with Tabithia to review the burn plans they prepared for their mid-term management burns this spring
  - FSA is not accepting CRP offers until further notice
  
- Wetlands**
  - NRCS has **23** pending CWD requests for Brookings County (1 assigned to a consultant)
  
- CTA**
  - 105 HEL Determination requests completed to date for calendar year 2018
  - Presented information about NRCS at FSA's event for beginning farmers on March 1
  
- Dates**
  - 3/15 Conservation Programs Workshop, Brookings, Days Inn 5:30 pm
  - 3/16 James River & Prairie Pothole RCPP batching date
  - 3/23 Continuing Resolution expires
  - 3/28 Ryan on the Radio Ranch 910 AM, 8:40 am
  - 3/28 FY 2018 EQIP Contract Obligation
  - 4/13 CSP renewal application deadline

