

**Brookings Conservation District Board Meeting**  
**NRCS Monthly Board Report**  
**February 3, 2021**

**Assistance/Progress**

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- CRP
  - CRP General Sign-up has begun (January 4 – February 12).
    - As of 2/2/21, there are 18 offers.
  - CRP Grasslands Sign-up has been announced for March 15 – April 23.
  - There are ~40 contracts that will need to complete their seedings/reseedings this year.
  
- CSP
  - We have completed all payments for the 2020.
  - CSP-2021-1 Classic Sign-up deadline is March 26<sup>th</sup>.
  - CSP-2021-1 Renewals
    - The approved applicant has signed their contract documents and we are just waiting for the contract to be obligated.
  
- EQIP
  - The eligibility deadline was January 29.
  - Completed the Planning Prioritization Tool for all applications.
  - Working on completing payments for recently completed practices.
  
- WRP/WRE/FPE
  - WRE sign-up ends Friday, Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>.
    - There are 3 applications for this sign-up
    - There are several other landowners that have expressed interest but have not made an application at this time.
  - Off-site monitoring is due March 12<sup>th</sup>.
  
- HEL/Wetland Determinations
  - 0 HEL determination requests on the log
  - 5 wetland determination requests on the log.
    - Craig is working on December requests; consultants are on September requests.
  
- CIS Proposal
  - Within the office, work continues on the Oakwood Lakes proposal.
  - Deadline to submit proposals is April 15.
    - I would like to have feedback in time for me to make changes and present a more polished proposal at the March board meeting.

## Other Items of Interest

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- We are still at Phase I of our reopening. We can have any number of employees in the office; however, we are still not allowing customers in the office. Staff is still encouraged to telework. There is no timeframe for when we'll be back to business as usual, but my feeling is that we will be in Phase I for the foreseeable future.
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