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CRP contracts require that an annual contract status review be completed by NRCS until the conservation practices are established, not to exceed three years. This provision is also effective for all CREP contracts. Another CREP provision requires that the local SWCD conduct an annual RIM conservation easement site inspection for the first five years. The purpose of the NRCS status review and SWCD site inspection are very similar. Based on the similar function of these requirements and to avoid duplication of efforts, District Conservationist can accept the SWCD RIM site inspection form as our CREP contract status review.

Copies of individual site inspection forms must be filed in the appropriate CREP producer case file and a copy must be forwarded to FSA for their use. If a CREP contract has fully established all of the required conservation practices within the 3-year reporting period NRCS will indicate to FSA that the site inspection form is the "final" status review.

Attached to this CRP Note is a blank copy of the RIM Site Inspection Form, which is completed by local SWCD staff and can serve as a substitute for the LTP-13 annual status review form for CREP contracts.

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