

## **Animal Enhancement Activity – ANM01 – Drainage water management for seasonal wildlife habitat**



### **Enhancement Description**

This enhancement consists of managing soil and/or surface water levels during the off season in order to provide seasonal wildlife habitat.

### **Land Use Applicability**

Cropland

### **Benefits**

This enhancement provides food, cover and resting areas for wildlife, especially waterfowl during their migration.

### **Criteria**

1. Acceptance of this enhancement requires that the client must comply with the requirements of the Conservation Practice Standard, Drainage Water Management (554)
2. Maintain water control structures/devices for a minimum of 60 days per year at an elevation to maintain ponded area
3. Fields must be flooded annually
4. For each field that is flooded, at least  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the field area must be flooded
5. Operating water level control equipment/devices to maintain water levels at desired elevations on cropland acres

### **Documentation Requirements**

1. List of fields where this enhancement was utilized, ponded area for each field, and equipment installed
2. Dates when fields were flooded and water removed from fields