Drainage Water Management Enhancement Activity – ANM01 – Drainage Water Management for Seasonal Wildlife Habitat

Seasonal Wildlife Habitat
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
This enhancement is applicable on cropland.

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

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

Documentation Requirements for Seasonal Wildlife Habitat
- List of fields where this enhancement was utilized, ponded area for each field, and equipment installed.
- Dates when fields were flooded and water removed from fields.