

## CONSERVATION ACTIVITY PLANS (CAP) THROUGH EQIP

1. A producer applies for EQIP assistance for development of a CAP. To be considered for funding, applicants must meet the eligibility requirements for EQIP. In addition, producers are allowed only one CAP on the same acreage at a time.
2. If approved for funding, the producer will select an approved conservation planner to develop the plan from TechReg, the online registry of certified Technical Service Providers: <http://techreg.usda.gov/index.aspx>. Potential applicants should visit the TechReg Web site before they submit an application. In order to receive funding for a conservation activity plan, a qualified TSP registered in TechReg must be available.
3. The CAP must be developed by the Technical Service Provider within 12 months.
4. After the CAP is complete, the landowner or producer submits it to NRCS. After NRCS approves the completed plan, the landowner will receive the EQIP payment for plan development. Set payment rates for CAPs are not more than 75% of the estimated incurred cost of plan development. Historically Underserved (Limited Resource, Beginning Farmer, Socially Disadvantaged) participants can receive up to 90% of the estimated incurred cost of plan development.
5. After the CAP is finalized, the producer may choose to submit another EQIP application for financial and technical assistance to implement conservation measures described in the CAP.

### 2011 WA CAP's:

- 102 Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan.
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- 106 Forest Management Plan.
- 118 Irrigation Water Management Plan.
- 122 HDQ Ag Energy Plan.
- 138 Organic Transition Plan.