

**EAST AREA FY2011 WILDLIFE HABITAT INCENTIVES PROGRAM
APPLICATION QUESTIONNAIRE**

1. WHIP Application Number (obtain from NRCS/ProTracts): _____

2. WHIP APPLICANT: ¹	LANDOWNER:
Name _____	Name _____
Phone (s) _____	Phone(s) _____
Email _____	Email _____

- Are you a current USDA program participant (e.g., CRP, CSP, CREP, EQIP, GRP, WHIP, WRP, commodity or loan programs)? No Yes - indicate programs _____
- Is any of the land in this application currently enrolled in CRP, CREP, CSP, EQIP, or WRP? No Yes indicate programs _____
- Name and phone number of your local NRCS contact: _____

3. PROJECT LOCATION:

County _____ 1/4 Section _____ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____
FSA Farm No: _____ FSA Tract No: _____ If riparian project: Stream Name _____

4. PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

- Describe existing site conditions and vegetation, and severity of the wildlife habitat problems:

- Describe your project objectives and how your project will contribute to fish and/or wildlife habitat restoration:

- Describe type of treatment planned. List all planned vegetative or structural practices, extent of each practice (acres, length, number, etc.), methods and equipment to be used, type of materials, monitoring and maintenance plan, etc. Attach additional page if needed. Also include a site plan (aerial photo or hand drawn) if possible:

- Have plant control chemicals been used that may have a residual effect on new plantings on the WHIP offered acres? No Yes if yes, list: _____
- Do you know of any cultural resources, such as archeological sites, historic properties, etc., located within the proposed WHIP project acres? No Yes
- For structural practices, have designs been completed by a licensed Professional Engineer? No Yes
- Describe how you would ensure the long-term success of this project:

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5. SPECIES AND HABITATS:

Fish/wildlife species documented in project vicinity that will directly benefit from the project:

Enter acres for each Habitat Type you intend to establish under the planned treatment:

Habitat Type	Acres	Planned restoration or enhancement
Shrub Steppe		Establish native herbaceous species and at least 1 native woody shrub species
		Establish native and non-native herbaceous species and at least 1 native woody shrub species
		Addition of forbs and/or legumes to the shrub-steppe mixes above
		Interseeding of sagebrush into established native grass stand
Eastside Grassland		Mix of native herbaceous species
		Mix of native and non-native herbaceous species
		Addition of forbs and/or legumes to the eastside grassland mixes above
Aspen Forest		Enhance or restore native aspen forest.
Riparian and Wetlands		Restore or enhance native vegetation on riparian areas
		Restore or enhance native vegetation on forested wetland
		Restore or enhance native vegetation, add woody debris, or enhance microtopography on herbaceous wetland
Forest		Establish understory vegetation to enhance habitat diversity in coniferous forest
		Establish or manage vegetation to enhance wildlife habitat diversity in native deciduous forest
Agricultural Land		Establish a Field Border or Hedgerow to provide food and cover for wildlife.
		Establish a mix of native and non-native herbaceous species, at least one native woody species, and 10 to 20% species composition of forbs and/or legumes, to benefit wildlife (non shrub-steppe)

- Will flowering plant species beneficial to native pollinators be established? No Yes
- Will annually tilled cropland and/or annually harvested hayland be converted to wildlife habitat as the primary land use? No Yes on _____ acres
- Will livestock be excluded or grazing managed on all rangeland, pastureland and/or grazed woodland in "the WHIP offered acres? If yes, check one: livestock excluded grazing managed
- Proximity to other lands managed for wildlife (enter all that apply):
 - Permanent wildlife area is: within 1 mile more than 1 mile
Name and location of permanent wildlife area: _____
 - Area managed for fish or wildlife habitat is: within 1 mile more than 1 mile
Name and location of managed wildlife area: _____

6. EDUCATIONAL OR RECREATIONAL BENEFITS:

- Is the project part of a research project? No Yes If yes, describe the research project: _____
- Will a local entity or conservation organization be a partner in this project? No Yes If yes, list the partner and describe their contribution (financial, technical assistance, materials, etc.): _____
- Will you allow public access to the project area for the purpose of educational or recreational benefits? No Yes - describe activities you would allow _____

Applicant Signature: _____ **Date** _____

² such as public land designated as permanent wildlife area; private land under a permanent wildlife easement; existing WRP easements

³ such as public land managed for wildlife; private land under a wildlife habitat agreement; CRP, WHIP, WRP, GFA cost-share agreements in effect for life of proposed WHIP project.