1. Partial payments may be processed through protracts when the following reasons and conditions exist:
   - Full completion of the project will be delayed for a significant time period due to weather or other circumstances. A significant time period is 60 or more days.
   - The work that has been completed is being done to Idaho Practice Standards – work that is sub-standard at the time of a request for partial payment will not be approved for partial payment.
   - The Designated Conservationist has determined that the completed practice extent is a reasonable attainment toward completing the practice. Reasonable extent in Idaho is defined as more than 50 percent of the practice or component is completed.

2. Partial payments may **not** be made when the following conditions or reasons exist:
   - The purpose is to evade the maximum payment limitation.
   - When the practice “unit” measure is a number and only one (1) is planned – Example, 642 – Water Well – number planned (1) – NRCS will not make a partial payment for “one half of a well” – If two wells were planned on one Contract Item Number (CIN), a partial payment could be made for one completed and functioning well prior to the second well being completed.
   - When the partially installed components or materials do not meet Idaho Practice Standards.
   - When the CIN contains multiple components and the component for which partial payment is requested is not fully complete.

3. When partial payments for a CIN are made, the Designated Conservationist will set a date for full completion of the CIN of not more than 12 months from the date of the payment. This will be documented on the CCC-1245 and initialed by the participant.
   - If the practice is not completed within the time prescribed, the participant must refund the partial payment made unless prevented from completing the practice for reasons beyond the participant’s control.
   - Normal weather conditions are not an acceptable reason for failure to complete a practice (within the agreed upon time frame) on which a partial payment has been made.