



NRCS Rhode Island Districts

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BRISTOL & NEWPORT
COUNTIES
- NORTHERN RI:
PROVIDENCE COUNTY
- SOUTHERN RI:
KENT & WASHINGTON
COUNTIES



FY-24 NRCS RHODE ISLAND PROGRAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS

In fiscal year (FY) 2024 (October 1, 2023, - September 30, 2024), Rhode Island NRCS was allocated **\$12,057,659** for program activities and obligated **301** contracts for **~\$8.35 million** (more than double our annual average) to improve over **11,900 acres**. Federal funds are organized in separate ranking pools to direct funds to specific resource issues or watershed locations. Rhode Island NRCS also received separate funds allocations for targeted watershed projects.



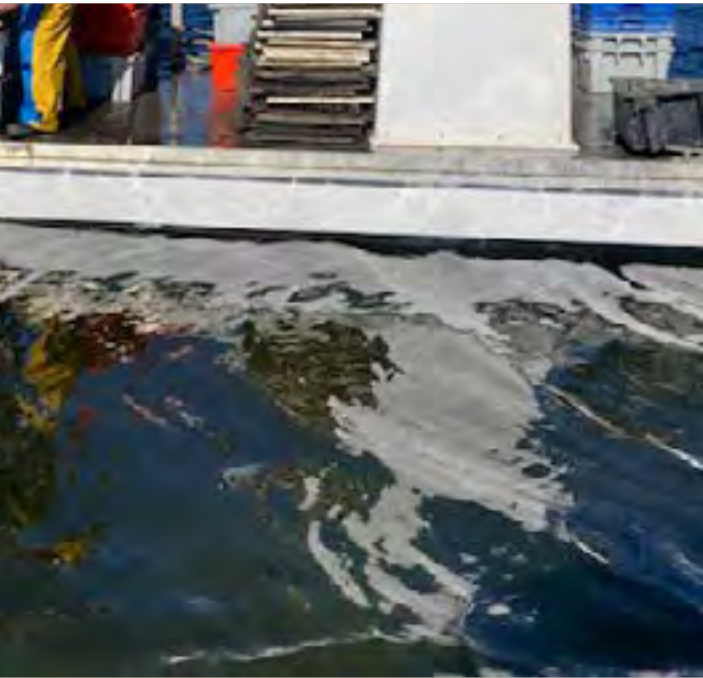
Watershed Projects

NRCS Rhode Island reviewed and evaluated **13** new Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) project requests in FY24, submitted 9 Damage Survey Reports (DSRs) and received approval for 7 DSRs. As of Oct. 1, 2024, we had **9** active EWP projects: 6 buyouts, 2 streambank stabilization and 1 debris removal. We also have multiple Watershed & Flood Prevention Operations (WFPO or PL566) projects* underway.



ACTIVE WFPO PROJECTS - PLANNING	WFPO PROJECTS - DESIGN & IMPLEMEN- TATION	ACTIVE EWP PROJECTS
2 PROJECTS	1 PROJECTS	9 PROJECTS
3 COUNTIES	2 TOWNS	7 TOWNS
\$2.9M OBLIGATED	\$10.6M OBLIGATED	\$20.8M TOTAL FUNDING

In 2024, NRCS Rhode Island worked on Preliminary Investigation Findings Reports (PIFRs) for 9 Watershed & Flood Prevention Operations projects, submitted 7 and are reviewing 2.



EQIP Projects

Environmental Quality Incentives Program

EQIP STATE PROJECTS	DISTRICTS	CONTRACTS	OBLIGATION
Act Now Conservation Planning Activities (CPAs), Design & Implementation Activities (DIAs), Conservation Evaluation & Monitoring Activities (CEMAs)	3	29	\$49,974
Act Now Combustion System Improvement (CSI) & Energy Efficiency	2	3	\$230,855
Beginning Farmer and Rancher	3	17	\$367,600
Socially Disadvantaged Farmer and Rancher	2	4	\$170,610
CPAs, DIAs, CEMAs	3	32	\$115,665

* All contract information has been obtained from ProTracts data pulled February 10, 2025, and certified by the Rhode Island NRCS State Office.



EQIP INITIATIVES

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY INCENTIVES PROGRAM

IRA FUNDING

INFLATION REDUCTION ACT

CSP PROJECTS

CONSERVATION STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

RCPP PROJECTS

REGIONAL CONSERVATION PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

ACEP SUMMARY

AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION EASEMENT PROGRAM

AMA PROJECTS

AGRICULTURAL MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE

OYSTERS	URBAN	NATIONAL WATER QUALITY INITIATIVE
2	2	1
DISTRICTS	DISTRICTS	DISTRICT
11	5	2
CONTRACTS	CONTRACTS	CONTRACTS
\$2.02M	\$168.6k	\$109.5k
OBLIGATED	OBLIGATED	OBLIGATED

EQIP	CSP
3	3
DISTRICTS	DISTRICTS
94	24
CONTRACTS	CONTRACTS
\$1.3M	\$511.7k
OBLIGATED	OBLIGATED

RENEWALS	GENERAL
2	3
DISTRICTS	DISTRICTS
4	26
CONTRACTS	CONTRACTS
\$80k	\$576.5k
OBLIGATED	OBLIGATED

RI FOREST HEALTH WORKS US-HELD EASEMENTS
3
DISTRICTS
4
CONTRACTS
\$819.5k
OBLIGATED

RI STATEWIDE NATURAL SYSTEMS DEMONSTRATION
2
DISTRICTS
4
CONTRACTS
\$197k
OBLIGATED

ALE	WRE
3	3
DISTRICTS	DISTRICTS
1	4
CONTRACT	CONTRACTS
\$621.5k	\$297.7k
OBLIGATED	OBLIGATED

GENERAL	RMA
2	3
DISTRICTS	DISTRICTS
6	5
CONTRACTS	CONTRACTS
\$118.9k	\$71.9k
OBLIGATED	OBLIGATED



Top 10 Applied Practices

NAME (NUMBER) AMOUNT

BRUSH MANAGEMENT (314)	70
OYSTER RESTORATION (643)	39
MULCHING (484)	38
FOREST STAND IMPROVEMENT (666)	35
STRUCTURES FOR WILDLIFE (649)	29
COVER CROP (340)	27
HERBACIOUS WEED TREATMENT (315)	21
TREE/ SHRUB ESTABLISHMENT (612)	19
FOREST TRAILS & LANDINGS (655)	19
PRESCRIBED GRAZING (528)	11
ACCESS CONTROL (472)	9
PASTURE & HAYLAND PLANTING (512)	9



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