Overview

The Columbia Grassland Recovery Project is a State Acres for Wildlife Enhancement (SAFE) special initiative of the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) located in Wasco County, Oregon.

SAFE is a voluntary, locally led initiative that creates a continuous CRP enrollment opportunity for producers to address wildlife habitat resource concerns for specific species in a targeted region. This initiative is a state and federal partnership between the Farm Service Agency (FSA), Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) and the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW).

Eligible producers can submit offers to enroll eligible land within the project area for 10 to 15-year CRP contracts. In exchange, these producers receive annual rental payments, as well as establishment and maintenance cost-share.

The goal of the Columbia Grassland Recovery SAFE project is to enroll 3,000 acres to enhance native grassland habitat to benefit a multitude of grassland obligate wildlife species, Ring-necked Pheasant and Mule Deer.

Land Eligibility

Land with a cropping history and within the project areas is eligible for SAFE enrollment. Land must have been cropped during 4 of 6 crop years from 2006 through 2013. Summer fallow, CRP and land previously enrolled in CRP where the grass cover continues to be maintained as though enrolled in CRP at the time that the offer is submitted meet eligibility criteria.

Eligible Producers

Eligible producers will be limited to offer 150 acres maximum into a SAFE contract. A producer must have owned or operated the land for at least 12 months prior to submitting the offer, unless;

- The new owner acquired the land due to the previous owner’s death;
- The ownership change occurred due to foreclosure where the owner exercised a timely right or redemption in
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Exhibit 3.8.2 Map for each target species within the project area
All species are located in this area

Wetland Determination Identifiers
- Restricted Use
- Limited Restrictions
- Exempt from Conservation Compliance Provisions
- Section Boundary
- CLU Boundary

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Exhibit 3.8.1 Map of project area

Wetland Determination Identifiers
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Exhibit 3.8.3 Map of project area
with existing CREP agreement overlay

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