**U.S. Department of Agriculture**

**Conservation Reserve Program CP9 Shallow Water Areas for Wildlife**

**Documentation of Suitability and Feasibility Worksheet (Version 2.1 May 2019)**

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*Refer to the Worksheet Instructions for guidance on completing a Suitability and Feasibility Determination.*

**CP9, Shallow Water Area for Wildlife Practice Purpose:** Develop or restore shallow water areas to an average depth of 6 to 18 inches for wildlife.

### Element #1 Site Conditions/Program Requirements

Identify if offer area meets CP9 site condition criteria by checking all of the following:

- [ ] Offer area including shallow water area and buffer does not exceed 10 acres per tract.
- [ ] Offer area includes a minimum buffer size of 20 feet in width.
- [ ] Offer area does not include a buffer that exceeds an average of 120 feet in width.

**Current Cover Type in Offer Area:** ___________________________________________________________

**Current Land Use in Offer Area:** _____________________________________________________________

[ ] YES – All Site Conditions Referenced Above are Met  [ ] NO – Site Conditions Not Met

### Element #2 Practice Needs

Is there a resource concern within the offer area that is targeted by CP9 per the practice purpose?

*If existing cover is solving the resource concern(s) in the practice purpose, then the determination must be that the CP is not needed. Reference Worksheet Instructions for guidance on CRP contract re-enrollment.*

The following resource concern cause must be present to meet practice need:

- [ ] Inadequate Habitat for Fish and Wildlife: Habitat Degradation

[ ] YES – Practice is Needed  [ ] NO – Practice Not Needed

### Element #3 Practice Feasibility

Will the implementation of CP9 solve or address the resource concern(s) listed in the practice purpose?

To meet feasibility both of the following must be met, indicate by checking:

- [ ] Water areas will have an average depth of 6” – 18” of water.

- [ ] The shallow water area will provide a source of water for wildlife for the majority of the year, except for areas west of the 100th meridian that receive less than 25 inches of annual precipitation, the shallow water area will provide a source of water for wildlife for a minimum of 4 months of the year.

[ ] YES – Practice is Feasible  [ ] NO – Practice is Not Feasible
Element #4 Practice Suitability

Are the offered acres suitable for installation of the NRCS conservation practices needed to apply CP9?

☐ YES – Practice is Suitable  ☐ NO – Practice is Not Suitable

Suitability and Feasibility Determination Findings:

☐ The location and size of the offered acres as shown on the CRP-2C, digital imagery/map meet all four elements of the Suitability and Feasibility determination.

☐ The offer DOES NOT meet the Suitability and Feasibility requirements. Check the element(s) that were not met.

☐ Site Conditions/Program Requirements
☐ Practice Needs
☐ Practice Feasibility
☐ Practice Suitability

☐ Modification of the offer (either location, size or practice) would result in meeting all four S&F determination elements. See documentation.

Documentation:
Provide information supporting the determination of each element in this section.
Conservation Planner has attached or provided to FSA (check all that applies):

☐ Notes on form NRCS CPA-6  ☐ Map
☐ Photo’s  ☐ Electronic File with GPS Points or GIS Shapefile
☐ Other: ____________________________

Field Visit Completed by: __________________________      Date:_____________ Date returned to FSA:____________

Suitability and Feasibility Determination Completed by: ______________________________