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Management is Required on Certain CRP practices to address the following conditions in established CRP cover.

1. *Sodbound or Shaded grasses. (Excessive Mulch/Low Plant Vigor)*
2. *Lack of Plant diversity and Proper Vegetative Cover (Vegetative Cover agreed to in the CRP Contract is sparse or not present.)*
3. *Cover is not providing desired wildlife habitat.*

PLANNING MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES ON CONSERVATION RESERVE PROGRAM FIELDS TO MANAGE FOR WILDLIFE

The Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) provides an unparalleled opportunity to improve wildlife habitat on many acres of land in South Dakota. Conversion of cropland to native grasses, forbs, legumes, shrubs, and trees has had an immediate and positive impact on wildlife populations on not only CRP fields but adjacent lands as well. Wildlife can continue to flourish if the vegetative conditions are properly managed on CRP areas. Plants left alone will advance into the less desirable stages of plant succession and produce unfavorable habitat for grassland wildlife such as Pheasants, Quail, White-tailed Deer, etc.

Wildlife habitat can be protected or enhanced by appropriate and timely management activities. Normal management for most grass, forb, legume and shrub CRP plantings consists of mowing, prescribed burning, disking, grazing or herbicide application. These management practices, when properly applied, can have a positive influence on wildlife habitat for many years. The lasting effects of the management techniques will depend upon the soil conditions and type of vegetation. More fertile soils will generally require frequent management to keep plant communities in favorable plant succession conditions.

A plan should be prepared to provide the CRP participants with the best practical management activities for the approved cover and desired wildlife habitat. These management practices shall meet CRP and participant objectives. **Management activities on CRP fields for wildlife purposes should always be consistent with Conservation Reserve Program policies and be appropriately recorded in the Conservation Plan of Operations. NO management activity shall ever occur if we anticipate negative impacts to CRP cover.** Practice narratives, job sheets and other acceptable documentation specifically addressing management shall be included in the plan. For additional guidance on plans and specifications for managing desired wildlife species and/or habitat types, refer to NRCS practice standards, specification sheets, technical notes, and job sheets, or contact a NRCS biologist.



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Approved Management Options for South Dakota CRP

It is the responsibility of the cooperator (producer) along with the planning advice and expertise of the conservation planner to select a management activity from the options listed below to be included in the approved CRP conservation plan. This requirement also pertains to ALL eligible Re-enrolled CRP grass practices.

At the time Farm Service Agency (FSA) is generating the CRP-2 form and prior to Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) developing the CRP conservation plan, the cooperator (producer) shall select an appropriate management option(s) for the contract by completing the information below (see additional pages for more details):

- *If at a later date, a management practice substitution is needed; contact the appropriate NRCS field office for guidance and requirements.*

Please select the desired management(s) option (may select more than one):

Mechanical Disturbance

Prescribed Burning

Non-Emergency Grazing

Non-Emergency Haying

Inter-seeding

Prescribed Spraying

Management Activity Not Needed

- *The Combination option is an extremely technical and precise management technique. Must work closely with the NRCS technical staff when planning and applying this option.*

I (we) concur with the selected management option and management provisions outline in this document.

Cooperator (Producer) Signature		Date	
NRCS Representative Signature		Date	
FSA County Committee Signature		Date	
Conservation District Signature		Date	



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Mechanical Disturbance

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Identify on a plan map the acres to receive management noted and additional details for implementing the Mechanical Disturbance Option.

Management Certification:

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Prescribed Burning

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Identify on a plan map the acres to receive management noted and additional details for implementing the Prescribed Burning Option.

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Non-Emergency Grazing

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Identify on a plan map the acres to receive management noted and additional details for implementing the Non-Emergency Grazing Option.

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Inter-Seeding

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Prescribed Spraying

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Non-Emergency Haying

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Combination of Multiple Management Techniques

CRP Practice	Management Activity	Condition and Limitation	Timing and Interval
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Management Not Needed

CRP Practice	Management Activity	Condition and Limitation	Timing and Interval
CP5A, CP9, CP12, CP16A, CP17A, CP21B, CP22B, CP40, CP88	Management Activity Not Needed (NOTE: On CP22 practices that are 100% trees, NO MANAGEMENT is REQUIRED)	N/A	N/A

The practices above **DO NOT** require management activities.

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