

# Ducks Unlimited Prairie Pothole Region Working Lands RCPP Project



This Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP) project provides an opportunity for Montana's producers in Blaine and Phillips counties to manage their working lands in a way that is compatible with agricultural production and good stewardship. Financial assistance is available for the project through the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) to:

- Utilize the grassland resource of expired Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) for grass-based agriculture,
- Restore marginally productive croplands back to grasslands and wetlands,
- Improve the management of working lands for agricultural production while minimizing impacts to natural resources, and
- Sustain intact grasslands and wetlands in their current condition.

## When can landowners apply?

Deadline for applications is April 19, 2019.



## Who can participate?

Landowners in Blaine and Phillips counties

## What land is eligible?

- Crop
- Pasture
- Associated Agriculture Lands

## Available Conservation Practices

- 340 Cover Crop on expired CRP
- 342 Critical Area Planting
- 382 Fence
- 500 Obstruction Removal
- 512 Forage Biomass Planting
- 516 Livestock Pipeline
- 528 Prescribed Grazing
- 533 Pumping Plant
- 550 Range Planting
- 574 Spring Development
- 614 Watering Facility
- 642 Water Well
- 645 Upland Wildlife Habitat Management
- 649 Structures for Wildlife

## Benefits to the Land

- Facilitate livestock grazing where infrastructure (e.g. fencing and watering facilities) is limited or non-existent
- Converting marginal cropland to grass and managing for grazing and wildlife habitat
- Reduced soil erosion
- Improved soil, water, and forage quality
- Retention of existing grasslands and wetlands

## For More Information

For more information or to apply, visit your local USDA service center. The address and phone number for each is below.

### Blaine County

228 Ohio Street, Chinook  
406-357-2320

### Phillips County

1120 U.S. Highway 191  
South, Suite 2, Malta  
406-654-1334

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