



Continuous CRP Practice Information

CP42 Pollinator Habitat

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The purpose of this practice is to establish habitat to support a diversity of pollinator species.

Practice Guidance:

Eligible sites are defined as cropland which meets CRP eligibility requirements which once supported habitat beneficial to pollinators that can be restored and managed as pollinator habitat. The landscape must attract native pollinators by having adequate sources of food, shelter, and nesting sites.



Pollinator

■ CCRP Practice Contract information

- Contract length 10 years
- \$150/ acre Signing Incentive Payment (SIP)
- NRCS Practice Number 327 for pollinator habitat seeding.

■ Practice Requirements

- Each habitat area must be at least 0.5 acres in size

- Block plantings are preferred, but if planted in strips each strip must be a minimum of 20 ft. wide.
- Seeding mixes shall contain a minimum of 15 species which includes at least 9 pollinator-friendly forbs, and at least 1 legume. More diversity is encouraged.
- At least 3 species shall have their primary onset of blooming during each period of April to June 15th, June 15th through July, and August to October.
- Minimum grass rate is 3 PLS lbs./ac & a max of 5 lbs./ac; Cool season grasses shall comprise no more than 20% of the grass mixture based on seeds/sq.ft.
- Minimum of two native bunch grasses.
- Minimum forb rate is 2.0 PLS lbs. /ac.
- No individual forb shall comprise more than 20% of the mixture based on seeds/sq. foot
- Mixture will result in a minimum 75% forbs based on seeds/square foot.
- Optional blooming shrubs (1-2 rows) may be included.

| Optional Trees and Shrubs | |
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| American Plum | Prunus americana |
| Button Bush | Cephalanthus occidentalis |
| Common Chokecherry | Prunus virginiana |
| Silky Dogwood | Cornus amomum |
| Red Osier Dogwood | Cornus stolonifera |
| False Indigo* | Amorpha fruitcosa |
| New Jersey Tea | Ceanothus americanus |
| Wild Rose | Rosea spp. |
| Pussy Willow | Salix discolor |
| Black Willow | Salix nigra |

Additional Information:

[NRCS CCRP CP42 Eligibility Document](#)

[NRCS CCRP CP42 Jobsheet](#)

[NRCS Practice Code 327 Standard](#)