



Illinois At-A-Glance

FY2021



Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Accomplishments in Illinois

The information below captures the program and compliance activities in Illinois during fiscal year (FY) 2021. Federal funds are allocated and organized in separate ranking pools in order to direct funds to specific resource issues or watershed locations. FA = Financial Assistance, BF = Beginning Farmer, and SDF = Socially Disadvantaged Farmer.

Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)

Ranking Pools	Contracts	Acres Enrolled	FA Obligated
Cropland	127	10,659	\$5,337,702
Livestock	41	6,112	\$5,816,429
Confinement Operation	13	3,379	\$2,363,810
Pasture Operation	28	2,733	\$3,452,619
Forestland	94	5,568	\$1,446,133
Wildlife	22	218	\$129,651
Conservation Drainage	1	16	\$19,274
On-Farm Energy	4	58	\$161,372
Organic	10	464	\$149,705
Urban Ag	1	2	\$4,721
Source Water Protection	10	818	\$450,143
Beginning Farmer	44	3,162	\$3,055,333
Cropland	25	1,810	\$1,114,317
Forestland	5	179	\$152,248
Livestock	14	1,174	\$1,788,768
Socially Disadvantaged Farmer	2	1	\$12,965
Cropland	2	1	\$12,965
Forestland	0	0	\$0
Livestock	0	0	\$0
Conservation Activity Plans	155	12,994	\$349,822
Comprehensive Nutrient Mgt Plan	15	493	\$88,733
Forest Management Plan	99	10,007	\$175,759
Grazing Management Plan	37	1,909	\$74,541
Nutrient Mgt Plan	3	546	\$8,070
Irrigation Water Mgt Plan	1	39	\$2,719
Total	511	40,072	\$16,933,250

EQIP - Landscape Conservation Initiatives

Ranking Pools	Contracts	Acres Enrolled	FA Obligated
Mississippi River Basin Healthy Watersheds Initiative (MRBI)	13	2,685	\$697,901
Vermilion Headwaters Watershed	7	2,076	\$521,996
Upper Macoupin Creek Watershed	6	609	\$175,905
National Water Quality Initiative (NWQI)	4	689	\$135,668
Lake Bloomington Watershed	4	689	\$135,668
Total	17	3,374	\$833,569

Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP)

Ranking Pools	Contracts	Acres Enrolled	FA Obligated
Agricultural land – Classic	98	85,390	\$8,885,844
Agricultural land – BF	26	6,793	\$1,136,236
NIPF – Classic	12	1,182	\$464,189
NIPF – BF	7	178	\$118,812
Agricultural land - Organic	3	3,069	\$314,788
Grassland Conservation Initiative	7	160	\$14,115
Total	153	96,772	\$10,933,984

CSP Renewals

Ranking Pools	Contracts	Acres Enrolled	FA Obligated
Agricultural land – Renewal	113	83,684	\$8,469,583
Agricultural land – Renewal - BF	8	4,815	\$502,617
NIPF – Renewal	7	916	\$139,478
NIPF – Renewal - BF	1	63	\$11,182
NIPF – Renewal - SDF	1	165	\$28,920
Agricultural land – Renewal - Organic	5	5,010	\$590,088
Total	135	94,653	\$9,741,868

All contract information has been obtained from ProTracts data pulled October 1, 2021 and certified by the Illinois NRCS State Office.

Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP-EQIP)

Ranking Pools	Contracts	Acres Enrolled	FA Obligated
Driftless Area Habitat - Wild & Rare (Phase 2)	3	643	\$137,058
Illinois Headwaters Conservation Partnership	35	1,654	\$203,641
IL's Upper Macoupin Creek Watershed Partnership	4	243	\$49,508
Otter Lake Source Water Protection	3	121	\$40,213
Total	45	2,661	\$430,420

Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP-CSP)

Ranking Pools	Contracts	Acres Enrolled	FA Obligated
IL's Upper Macoupin Creek Watershed Partnership	3	3,461	\$168,065
Precision Conservation Management	32	34,237	\$2,869,926
MRB-Big Bend Enhancing Water- Soil- Habitat Quality	8	7,981	\$486,017
Total	43	45,680	\$3,524,008

Agricultural Conservation Easement Program (ACEP)

Ranking Pools	New Agreements Funded	Acres Protected	FA Obligated
ACEP - Wetland Reserve Easements (WRE)	10	850	\$4,500,000
Emergency Watershed Protection Program Floodplain Easements (EWPP-FPE) @ Dog Tooth Bend	12	2,303	\$9,100,000
ACEP - WRE Wetlands Reserve Enhancement Partnership (WREP)	3	1,341	\$5,800,000

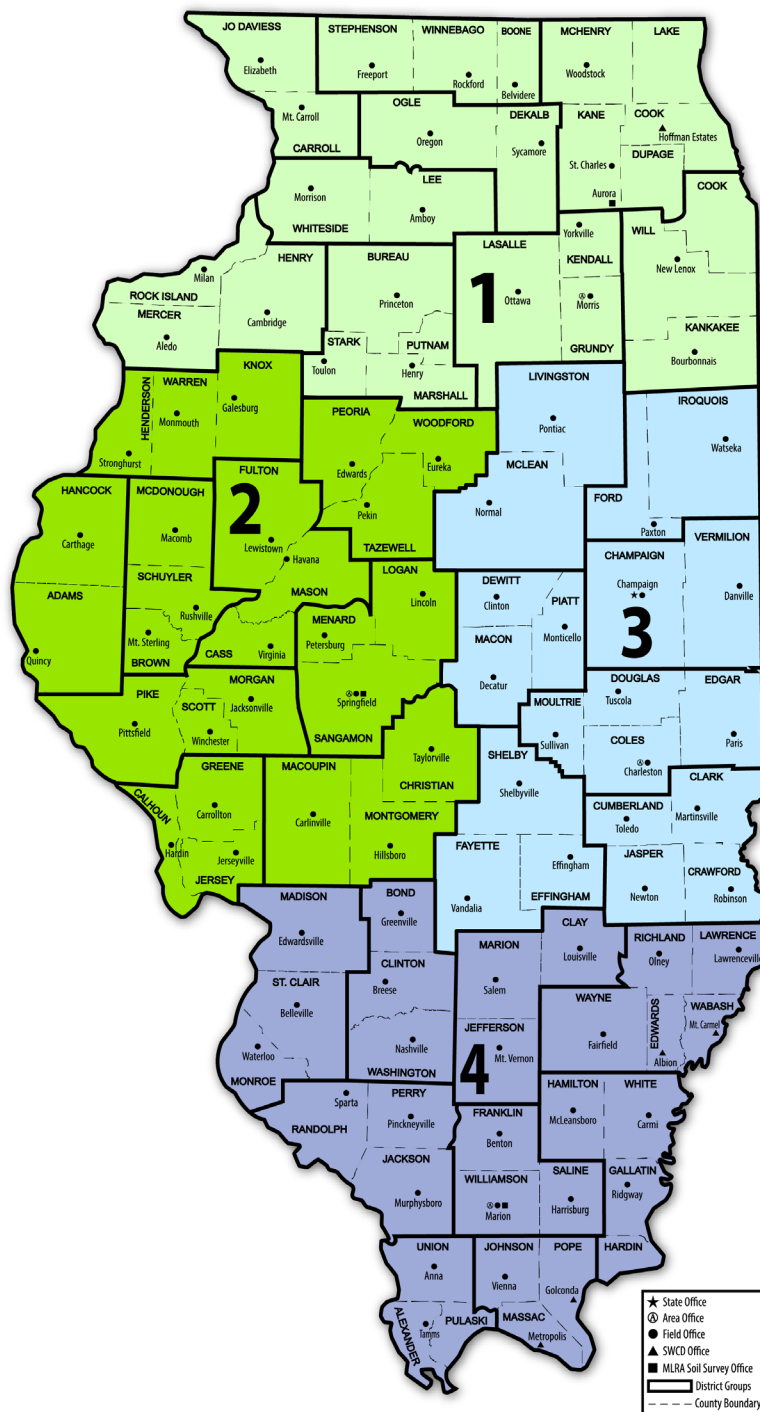
ACEP-Wetland Reserve Easements (WRE)	Emergent Wetland Acres	Bottomland Forested Wetlands
New wetlands protected	934	98
New wetlands restored	99	180
Existing wetlands enhanced	120	0

ACEP-Agriculture Land Easements (ALE)	New Agreements Funded	Acres	FA Obligated
Agricultural Land Easements	3	361	\$566,000

Conservation Compliance Accomplishments

Determinations	FY21
Wetlands	1,484
HEL	1,901

NRCS Illinois Organizational Structure



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