

USDA-Farm Service Agency  
Notice of Availability  
North Dakota Riparian Project Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP II)  
Draft Environmental Assessment

U. S. Department of Agriculture, Farm Service Agency (FSA) announces they have prepared a draft Environmental Assessment to evaluate the North Dakota Riparian Project CREP (CREP II), located in portions of Adams, Billings, Bowman, Burleigh, Dunn, Emmons, Golden Valley, Grant, Hettinger, McKenzie, Mercer, Morton, Oliver, Slope, Sioux and Stark Counties. The primary objective of the activity is to help improve water quality in the project area by establishing and maintaining buffers of permanent vegetation between the waterbodies and adjacent agricultural cropland, and to provide benefits to pollinators, including honey bees, and other wildlife by establishing beneficial habitat and forage.

FSA is accepting comments on the potential effects of the proposed project on protected resources and the human environment through November 29, 2016. Information regarding this project can be reviewed either online at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/programs-and-services/conservation-programs/conservation-reserve-enhancement/index> or in person at the FSA office located in either Adams, Billings, Bowman, Burleigh, Dunn, Emmons, Golden Valley, Grant, Hettinger, McKenzie, Mercer, Morton, Oliver, Slope, Sioux or Stark Counties. Comments should be submitted to CREP Program Manager at 6501 Beacon Drive, STOP 8108, Kansas City, MO 64133 or by email at [FSA.EAComments@wdc.usda.gov](mailto:FSA.EAComments@wdc.usda.gov).