

EMERGENCY WATERSHED PROTECTION PROGRAM

NORTH DAKOTA NRCS

EWP EMERGENCY RECOVERY PLAN



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Introduction

The North Dakota NRCS Emergency Recovery Plan (ERP) provides an overview of the Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Program, describes the ND NRCS process in implementing the program for potential sponsors, and provides guidance for the coordination, cooperation and communication prior to, during, and after natural disasters. Development and maintenance of an ERP is a requirement of NRCS State Offices, per GM Title 390, Part 510.10. The ERP provides guidelines that address recovery actions and inter-agency coordination that ND NRCS will follow when a disaster is declared, and the EWP Program is initiated and/or implemented.

Note that the ERP does not address the Floodplain Easement component of the EWP Program. Contact the ND NRCS Assistant State Conservationist for Programs, for information and assistance on EWP Floodplain Easements.

Emergency Watershed Protection Program

Definition

The EWP program is used to provide assistance to communities whose watersheds have been impaired by natural disasters. The program provides technical and financial assistance to eligible Sponsors for implementing emergency recovery measures to relieve imminent hazards to life or property created by a natural disaster. In North Dakota, EWP has historically been used to provide protection during and immediately after major flood disaster events.

The Natural Resources Conservation Service administers the EWP program through the following authorities:

Section 216, Public Law 81-516

- Section 403 of Title IV of the Agricultural Credit Act of 1978, Public Law 95-334
- Section 382, Title III, of the 1996 Farm Bill Public Law 104-127

Responsibility for the EWP program is assigned to the USDA - Secretary of Agriculture and is delegated to the Chief of USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS). NRCS State Conservationists (STC) administers the EWP program in their respective states and has sole authority to declare local watershed emergencies.

All applicable Federal, State, and local laws, rules and regulations must be adhered to in carrying out emergency watershed protection measures.

Declaration of a Disaster

The EWP Program may be utilized for two different types of emergencies:

- Presidentially Declared Disaster
- Local Disaster

Through Public Law 93-288, the President of the United States can declare an area a “major disaster area.” When a Presidentially declared disaster occurs, the Federal Emergency

Management Agency (FEMA) is responsible for coordinating all disaster activities. NRCS is a participant in the FEMA ND Silver Jackets Team, which acts as an interagency coordination group in disaster response.

In the absence of a Presidentially declared disaster and when local conditions warrant, the NRCS State Conservationist may declare a local emergency and, pending funding, provide assistance to requesting sponsors under the EWP program. FEMA is usually not involved in recovery activities for local disasters, creating a greater coordination role for NRCS.

The EWP program can be used whenever a natural disaster creates a sudden watershed impairment that is a threat to life and/or property. Normal rainfall events and normal maintenance do not meet these criteria.

The State Conservationist must submit an Electronic Disaster Report through the EWPP Tool, within 5 working days after any natural disaster event for it to qualify for EWP assistance. This applies to either presidentially declared or local disaster event categories. Processes in ND to generate this action are outlined in the Initial Disaster Response section of this document.

Exigent vs Non-exigent EWP Measures

There are two categories of work within the EWP program— exigencies and non-exigencies.

Exigencies are emergency situations that require an immediate response to protect against an imminent threat to life and/or property. An “imminent threat” is present when there is the potential for a subsequent natural occurrence of the same intensity or less to cause significant damage to property and/or threaten human life. The term “property” applies to significant infrastructure such as homes, commercial/government buildings, barns, utilities, bridges, and roads. Land is not defined as property for the EWP program. EWP requires that construction of exigent situations is completed within 10 days of funding authorization from the National EWP Program Manager. A single 10 day extension may be granted by the State Conservationist. The National Grants and Agreements Team has a fast-tracked process for preparing Cooperative Agreements between NRCS and Sponsors for exigent EWP measures. In addition, the ND State Resource Conservationist will typically assist Sponsors negotiate for emergency construction permits with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, ND State Water Commission, ND State Health Department, and local floodplain management authorities, as applicable.

All other situations are termed non-exigent, the measures for which are required to be constructed within 220 days from the date that national funds are received by ND NRCS. Note that the time lag between requesting funds for non-exigent measures, and receiving them, may be months to a year. Construction may not proceed prior to signature of the Cooperative Agreement between a Sponsor and NRCS, in order to be eligible for reimbursement through EWP.

Note that funding for the EWP program is not a budgeted line item. Funding for this program is in the form of supplemental appropriations from Congress on an as needed and available basis. Therefore, funding to carry out this program is never guaranteed to be available at all times.

Request for exigent requests are always handled as priorities over non-exigent situations on a national basis.

Site Eligibility

For a site to be eligible for EWP program assistance, all of the following questions must be answered YES:

1. Does an imminent hazard to life or property exist at this site?
2. Is the threat due to damage from a sudden disaster event, which did not exist prior to the event?
3. Has the site not had EWP assistance on it more than twice over the last 10 years?
4. Can the threat be mitigated with structural or vegetative measures designed under NRCS technical policy and procedures?
5. Will proposed measures result in runoff retardation or prevention of further erosion?
6. Do the proposed measures meet EWP economic, environmental, and social defensibility criteria?

All measures must conform to all applicable NRCS policy and procedures, including those related to compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), Executive Order 1990 (Wetland Protection), Executive Order 11988 (Floodplain Management), and Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) (16 U.S.C. § 470f).

Common protection measures include installation of rock riprap, sheetpile/soldier pile walls, or bioengineering measures to mitigate eroding riverbanks threatening buildings, roads, bridges, private levees, and high value irrigation infrastructure. Removal of large debris or ice jams threatening bridges, and stabilizing eroding auxiliary spillways of high hazard dams are also typical projects.

Ineligible Activities

EWP program funds cannot be used to:

- Repair, rebuild, or maintain public or private transportation facilities or correct damage to transportation facilities eligible for assistance under the Emergency Relief Program administered by Federal Highway Administration of the Department of Transportation.
- Perform work on land owned by and/or managed by other Federal departments and agencies. The only exception is land managed by the USDA-Forest Service (FS). The FS receives their emergency EWP funds for restoration activities separately from NRCS.
- Repair erosion damage to beaches, dunes, and shorelines damaged by erosion as a result of wave action.
- Work on levee projects on streams with a drainage area greater than 400 square miles unless there is a prior agreement established with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE).
- Make improvements not essential to the reduction of the threat.
- Increase pre-disaster level of protection.

- Increase pre-disaster capacity of a channel by constructing a new channel, enlarging the old channel, or relocating the stream. Sediment and debris removal is not considered new construction or increasing flow capacity.
- Landscape for aesthetic purposes.
- Remove sediment or debris from reservoirs or debris basins. This is considered operation and maintenance, regardless of the cause.
- Perform operation and maintenance or solve watershed problems that existed before the disaster.
- Rebuilding or protecting when there is not anything left to protect.
- Drilling wells, constructing pipelines, installing irrigation equipment, or purchasing portable equipment to address drought.

Eligible Sponsors

EWP assistance must be through an eligible project sponsor. Any legal subdivision of a state government or a state agency may be an eligible sponsor, including the following:

- Soil and Water Conservation District
- Water Resource District
- Tribal Government
- City Government
- County Government
- Township Board
- Irrigation District

A project sponsor must:

- Have a legal interest in, or responsibility for, the areas threatened by a watershed impairment.
- Provide 25% local construction cost share, unless within an EWP Limited Resource Area designation in which Sponsors are required to provide 10% local construction cost share.
- Enter into a Cooperative Agreement with the NRCS to deliver and manage project funds. Registration in the Federal System for Award Management (SAM) is required. See the EWP Administrative Readiness Questionnaire for further guidance. Particularly for exigent EWP projects, Sponsors with prior NRCS Cooperative Agreement experience are much more likely to be able to effectively implement EWP. There are many such organizations in North Dakota who could act as Sponsors.
- Be capable of obtaining necessary land rights and required permits. Sponsors will be required to sign the AD-78 Assurances Related to Real Property, and may need to consult with an attorney at their own expense.
- Be capable of performing all required operation and maintenance (O&M) responsibilities.

Construction Cost Share

EWP funds will reimburse up to 75% (or 90% in EWP Limited Resource Areas) of eligible construction costs for emergency measures, as outlined in the Cooperative Agreement developed for the project. An analysis of counties across the country is completed by national EWP staff

each year, and a list of counties that meet the criteria for a Limited Resource Area is issued. Should an EDR request come into the SCE, they will provide guidance on LRAs current for that point in time. Construction costs may include mobilization/demobilization, heavy equipment, materials, and labor. Sponsors may complete work with their own equipment and manpower, hire a contractor, or utilize a combination both. The Cooperative Agreement will identify a maximum eligible reimbursable amount, based on an engineer's estimate, for the projects involved. Actual invoices or time/material records will be utilized for reimbursement of eligible costs, subject to terms of the agreement negotiated with Sponsors up front.

Although NRCS may provide technical assistance to the Sponsor for regulatory agency permitting processes, any associated costs for permits are not reimbursable.

Engineering Services

Sponsors are encouraged to utilize their own engineering staff, or retain the services of a private consulting firm, for survey, design, inspection, and construction management. Engineers must be ND licensed Professional Engineers, and work under all applicable NRCS technical policy and procedures. Reimbursement is available for engineering services, for up to 7.5% of the total project construction cost, as outlined in the Cooperative Agreement. Sponsor contribution to non-reimbursed engineering services may be utilized as part of the local cost share.

If a non-NRCS engineer will be utilized for implementation of the project, the DSR team should seek input in the DSR process. Provision of a conceptual design alternative and associated construction cost estimate from the Sponsor's engineer will ensure efficiency and prevent future delays in the process. For exigency projects, the Sponsor's engineer will need to provide a final design concurrent with submittal of the DSR. Final designs prepared by non-NRCS engineers will be subject to functional review by the NRCS per National Engineering Manual (NEM) policy.

Alternatively, NRCS will provide engineering services to Sponsors based on a priority system set by the STC. Exigent projects will always be the priority for engineering staff assignments. No reimbursement for associated costs is required of the Sponsor.

ND EWP Roles and Responsibilities

State Conservationist

The ND State Conservationist (STC) has the overall responsibility for administering the EWP Program. The STC announces the EWP program to the public, receives requests for assistance from Sponsors, approves the DSR, and requests funds for the EWP Program. The STC may declare local emergencies on behalf of NRCS.

The STC has the authority to extend project performance time for 60 calendar days for non-exigency projects and 10 calendar days for exigency projects.

State Conservation Engineer / EWP Program Manager

The State Conservation Engineer (SCE) is the EWP- Traditional (i.e. not EWP- Floodplain Easements) Program Manager in ND is responsible for:

- Coordinating among Federal and State agencies to develop list of priorities on proposed emergency work and ensure coordination with other efforts via the FEMA ND Silver Jackets Team.
- Coordinating the day-to-day implementation of the EWP Program from the initial request for assistance to project close out.
- As soon as there are indications that a watershed impairment from a natural disaster has occurred and there is a potential EWP project, the EWP Program Manager (PM) will complete the NRCS Electronic Disaster Report (EDR), secure the electronic approval from the STC, and submit to the NRCS National Headquarters (NHQ) alerting them of a potential request for EWP Program funds to address the watershed impairment. As disaster updates are received, the EWP PM will submit an updated EDR to NHQ.
- Work with the SRC, ASTC-FOs, CDU supervisors, and other members of the State Leadership Team to assign DSR Teams.
- Provide program and technical guidance and support to the work of DSR Teams and Sponsor engineering staff.
- Work with Sponsors to determine engineering assistance methodology for projects, and appropriate scope of agreements. Develop agreement Statements of Work.
- Review and recommend approval to the STC for final electronic DSRs, and submit to NHQ via EWPP tool.
- Work with the ASTC-Partnerships and ASTC-Management & Strategy to collect required pre-agreement forms from Sponsor, prepare a scope of work, and initiate cooperative agreement process with FPAC team.
- Complete design reviews for both non-NRCS and NRCS engineers, providing technical guidance, and managing overall engineering workload.
- Review construction inspection and O&M plans.
- Provide the necessary technical guidance for inspection, documentation, and acceptance of all construction work within NRCS' scope of responsibility.
- Track program activities and expenditures along with approving all pay requests from sponsors.
- Prepare and submit a project status report once every 60 days to the National Headquarters (NHQ). For exigency projects the EWP PM will inform NHQ on the status of relieving the exigency.
- Prepare final reports.

State Resource Conservationist

The State Resource Conservationist (SRC) is responsible for:

- Providing technical guidance and reviews for National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) documentation and completion of the DSR Environmental Evaluation.
- Providing technical guidance review of final designs, as necessary, for all vegetated design components.
- Providing input to Cooperating Agreement statements of work as needed to ensure effectiveness of vegetative components of projects.
- Determining vegetative O&M requirements if needed.

Assistant State Conservationists for Field Operations

Assistant State Conservationists for Field Operations (ASTC-FO) and are responsible for ensuring District Conservationist responsibilities outlined below are completed, and overall coordination of EWP activities within their administrative boundaries. They will work cooperatively with the SCE and SRC to assign experienced staff with appropriate technical skills and knowledge to implementation activities (DSR teams, engineering designs, revegetation designs, inspections).

The ASTC-FO will ensure that staff within his/her administrative area are trained in EWP recovery efforts. Staff should be capable of determining if projects are eligible for EWP assistance, how to initiate a request, and should have an understanding of the eligibility requirements for an entity to be a sponsor.

District Conservationists

District Conservationists (DC), or other field staff as assigned by the ASTC-FO, are responsible for maintaining ongoing relationships with potential Sponsors and ensuring they are aware of the EWP Program. When a natural disaster occurs, the DC becomes the local facilitator for EWP program activities in his/her assigned counties working with Sponsors, landowners, and government entities. The DC will immediately notify the Conservation Delivery Unit (CDU) supervisor, ASTC-FO and SCE of the disaster and begin the process of determining whether the presence of eligible projects, an eligible disaster event, and a willing/eligible Sponsor create the need to initiate EWP. Contacting the County Emergency Manager may be appropriate at this time, as well, see Appendix A for list, and web link for updates. Provision of the ND EWP Fact Sheet to potential Sponsors is recommended as well.

The DC is responsible for keeping the CDU supervisor, ASTC-FO and SCE informed of the potential EWP recovery in his/her county(ies). A summary of the DCs responsibilities include the following.

1. Maintaining working relationships with the local County Emergency Manager and potential Sponsors and informing them of the EWP Program.
2. Within 48 hours of the disaster conduct outreach to Sponsors to determine whether to request that EWP be initiated in response to the disaster, i.e. determine if there is a willing Sponsor and potentially eligible sites. This can be accomplished quickly by making telephone calls to Sponsors and producers, visual inspections, weather service reports, internet weather maps, and contacts with county and agency personnel.
3. If at least one Sponsor would like to proceed, and appears to have eligible projects, notify the CDU supervisor, ASTC-FO and SCE to initiate EWP. If not a federally declared disaster, this must be done no later than 5 days after the disaster event.
4. Work with the Sponsor, and any additional Sponsors who come forward within 60 days from the end of the event, to prepare initial paperwork required (see Engineering Sharepoint for forms):
 - Sponsor Letter of Request
 - Administrative Readiness Questionnaire

- SF-424
- 5. Work with Sponsor to maintain a log sheet of requests for assistance that includes the name, governmental entity, address, telephone number, statement of problem, stream name, date, and time of call.
- 6. Serve as a member of the DSR Team if so assigned, or assist the team with locating project sites, contacting Sponsors/landowners, finding temporary work space, and other functions. Likewise participate and/or support construction quality assurance activities.

Damage Survey Report Team

The SCE will work with the SRC and ASTC-FOs to identify staff that will serve on the DSR Team(s). Each DSR Team will have a NRCS employee with adequate engineering Job Approval Authority (JAA) for anticipated structural practices as well a Level 2 certified planner. The DSR Team, as assigned, will be responsible for developing a DSR for each eligible project site, and consulting with the SCE and SRC as needed throughout the process. The DSR Team should invite Sponsor's representatives to participate, particularly if the Sponsor will be providing engineering services for that particular EWP project. Note that a Sponsor could choose to provide engineering on some projects, and utilize NRCS engineering on others, for individual project sites covered within one Cooperative Agreement.

ASTC- Management and Strategy, ASTC- Partnerships

Work with the SCE to develop, implement, and manage Cooperative Agreements with Sponsors. Overall budget management and accounting responsibilities within the State, and coordination/communication with NHQ and FPAC teams as necessary.

ASTC- Programs

Provide economic support to the EWP Program, particularly as it relates to identification of Limited Resource Areas and economics guidance/assistance on individual DSRs. Review of final submitted DSR economics. Program Manager for EWP-Floodplain Program.

State Public Affairs Specialist

The State Public Affairs Specialist (PAS) is responsible for coordinating statewide efforts to inform the public about EWP program activities before, during, and following a natural disaster in order to provide uniform, consistent information to sponsors and the general public. The PAS will keep State and National NRCS managers informed of media activities as well as keep decision makers and legislative staffers informed.

Utilizing information obtained from the SCE, DC(s), and others, the PAS will be responsible for communicating EWP recovery progress through all appropriate platforms targeted to the public, partners, NRCS NHQ, local, and State officials. The DCs will help identify and coordinate possible feature stories about people affected by the disaster and how NRCS EWP provided assistance. Based on scope and intensity of the disaster, the PAS will tailor an appropriate communication plan commensurate with the identified need to inform the public and governmental agencies of the EWP program.

Responsibilities of the PAS include:

- Managing media, serving as statewide contact, answering inquiries, coordinating interviews and pitching stories.
- Organizing information from the DC for release to the public.
- Preparing news releases, fact sheets, news advisories, and other material for local use.
- Managing the North Dakota NRCS social media account(s) throughout the event and key phases of recovery.
- Inform the public on how tax dollars are being spent.
- Working with the DC to identify news and feature stories.
- Assisting the DC with photography needs.
- As requested by the STC, prepares a summary of EWP program efforts for local sponsors, elected officials, partners, media, and residents.

NRCS Technical Representative

NRCS will assign a technical representative for each Cooperative Agreement with a Sponsor, typically a senior level engineer in the agency. The responsibilities of this appointment include: providing technical guidance to the Sponsor, keeping the SCE/ASTC-FO/CDU supervisor/DC informed of progress, reviewing Sponsor prepared engineering designs, quality assurance plans, and O&M plans, performing periodic construction monitoring to ensure quality assurance plan implementation, monitoring schedules, reviewing payment requests for accuracy, making recommendations to SCE for approval, and completing final inspection and acceptance of work.

Sponsor

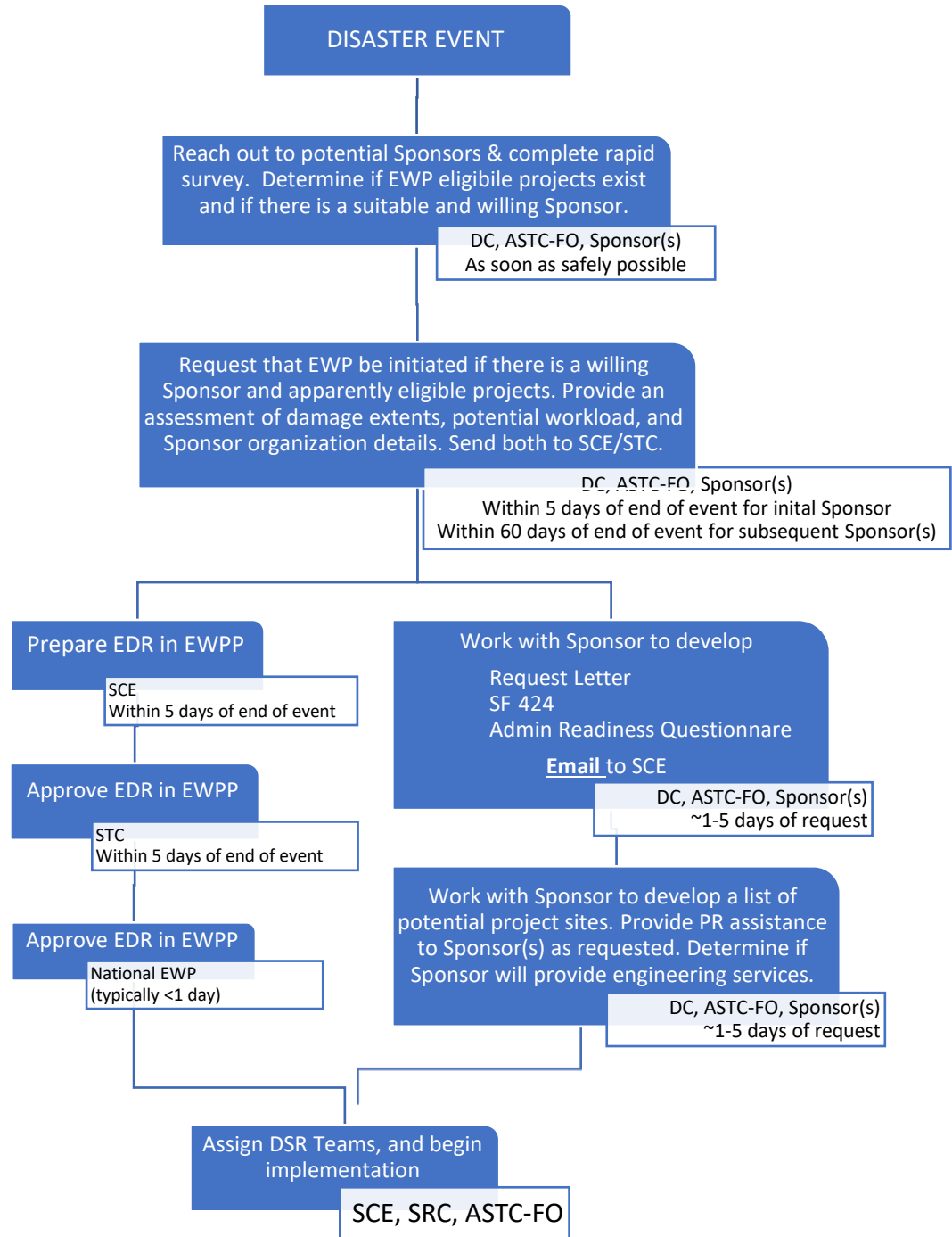
Sponsors participating in the EWP program are responsible for the following:

- Submitting an official written request for EWP assistance to the STC with a SF-424. While this is typically expected within the timeframe of 5 days from the end of the event, in order to initiate filing of the EDR, for large disasters with multiple Sponsors new requests may be submitted up to 60 days from the end of the event.
- Publicizing the availability of the EWP Program.
- Conducting outreach to underserved populations.
- Participating on a DSR Team as needed. Particularly if the Sponsor will be providing engineering services, it is critical that their engineer be involved.
- Developing an EWP project schedule for each site, documenting a project schedule that will be completed within 200 calendar days, or 10 days for exigency projects. The start day will be when the Cooperative Agreement is sent to the Sponsor for signature.
- Obtaining necessary real property rights, including any rights needed for the relocation of fences, bridges, etc. and submitting a signed NRCS-ADS-79 “Assurances Related to Real Property Acquisition”, and a signed attorney’s opinion as appropriate.
- Accept and process requests from landowners.
- Obtain all necessary permits (Federal, State, Tribal, and local) to complete the project prior to construction.
- Ensure utilities are located and appropriate easements have acquired before construction begins.

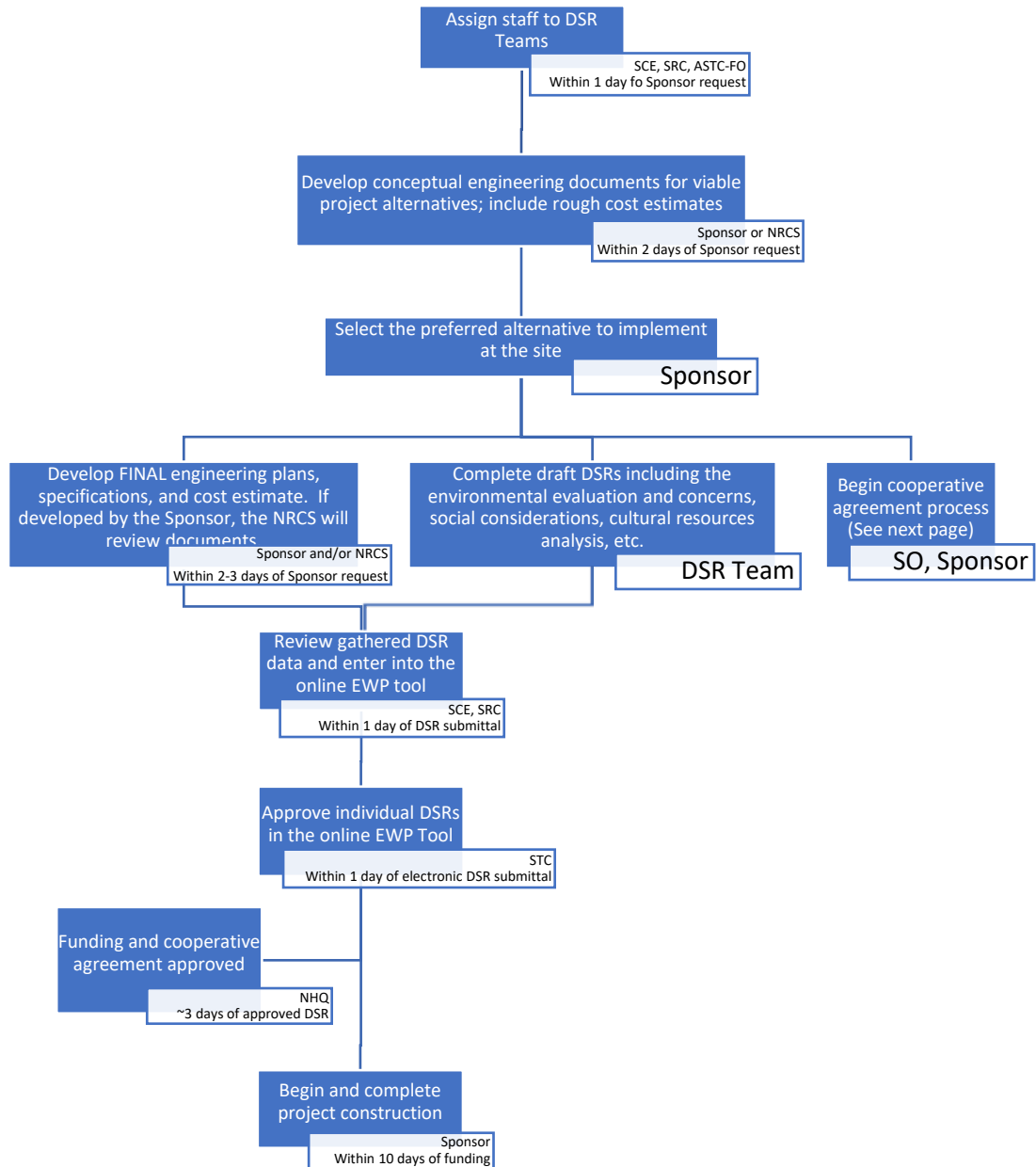
- Enter into a Cooperative Agreement with NRCS prior to starting work. *EWP funds may not be used to reimburse Sponsors for work carried out prior to signing cooperative agreement with NRCS.*
- Provide final design documents (construction plans, specifications, inspection plan, O&M, and design report) to NRCS for review.
- Administer construction contracts and/or complete with own labor and equipment.

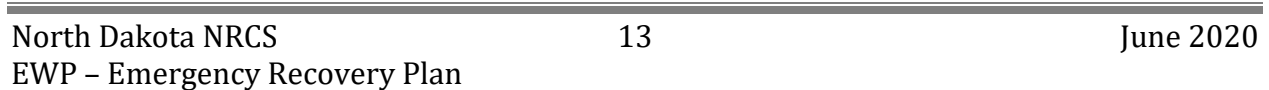
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Process to Initiate an EWP

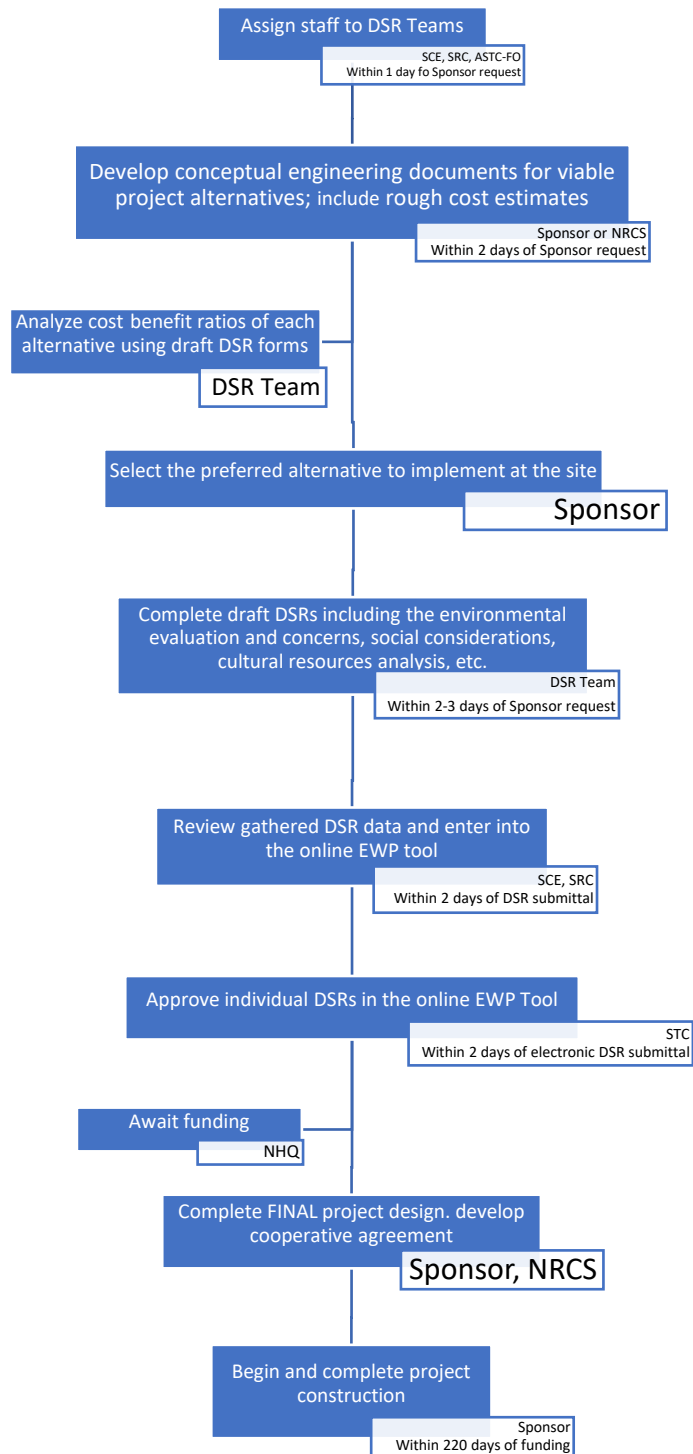


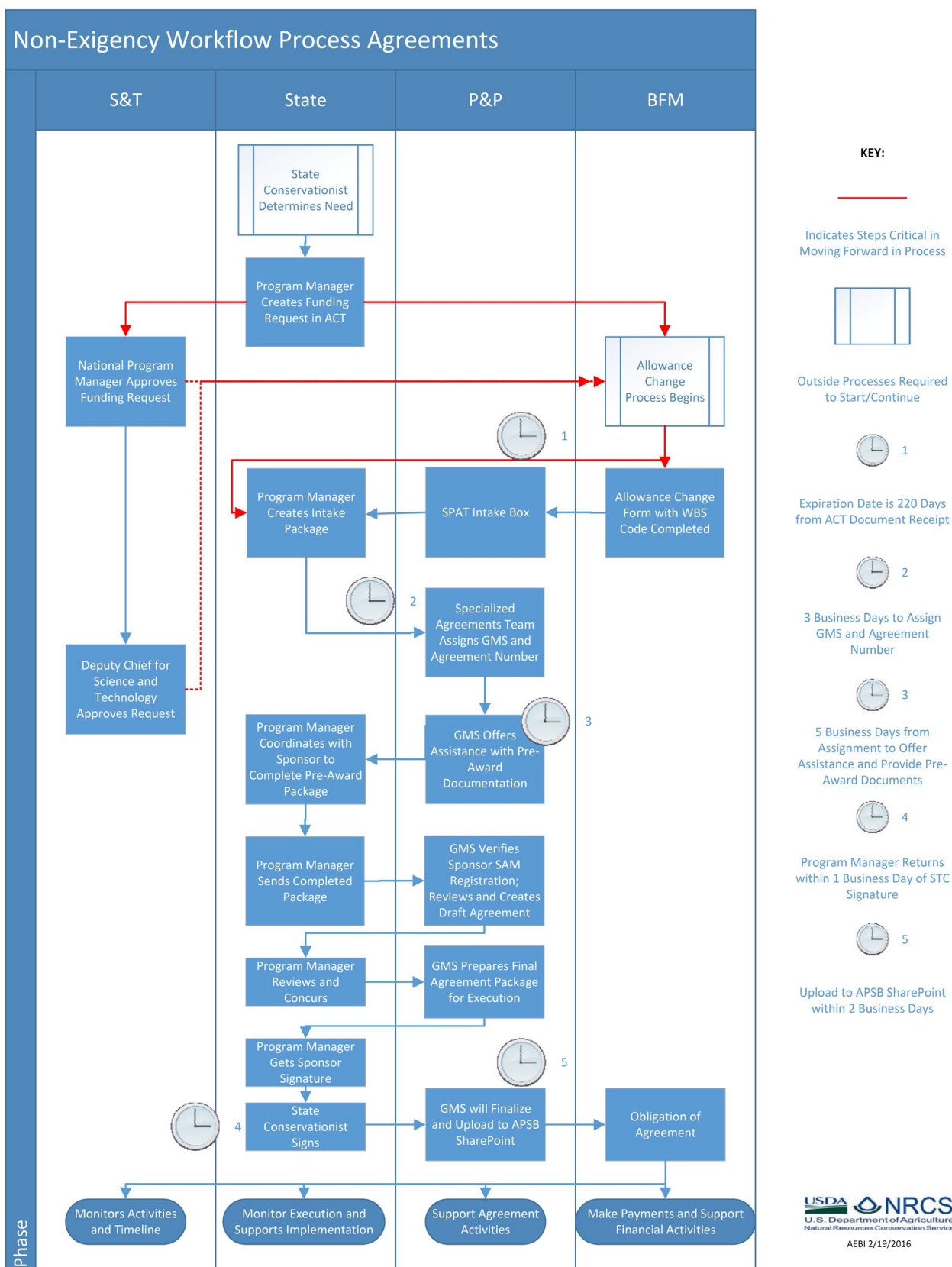
Process to Implement an Exigent Project





Process to Implement a Traditional Project





Final Report

Within sixty (60) days of the completion of the emergency work, the SCE will submit a final report to the NRCS National Headquarters EWP PM. This report will follow the guidelines as stated in the National Emergency Watershed Protection Manual Part 503. This report may be distributed to other NRCS offices, the State Technical Committee, congressional offices, and other interested partners.

APPENDIX A – STATE AND FEDERAL AGENCIES - COORDINATION

FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA)

For “Presidentially declared” disasters, FEMA coordinates the federal government activities and is the lead federal agency. The NRCS EWP Manager will coordinate NRCS recovery efforts with the appropriate FEMA official, if needed.

FEMA Region VIII
Lee dePalo, Regional Administrator
Phone: 303-235-4800
Website: <https://www.fema.gov/about-region-viii>

NORTH DAKOTA DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Agency responsibilities include the following:

- Alerting the public to hazardous situations
- Assessing the magnitude of disasters
- Coordinating evacuations and relocation sites
- Coordinating efforts to protect life, property, and the environment
- Providing for rapid restoration of services and utilities
- Managing/providing recovery assistance
- Mitigating the impact of future emergencies
- Providing emergency training to local units of government
- Maintaining statewide disaster preparedness education program
- Providing a center for coordinated State-level emergency operations
- Preparing and maintaining a State multi-hazard emergency operations plan

Contact for the North Dakota Division of Emergency Management. For updates to this information, visit their web site.

North Dakota Division of Emergency Management
React Officer
Phone: 701-328-8100
Email: nddem@state.nd.us
Website: <http://www.state.nd.us/dem/>

After regular business hours, contact the React Officer through State Radio at (701) 328-9921.

Situation Reports - Incident reports are issued frequently to describe disaster events and impacts as they occur. These reports are provided to local, State, and Federal agencies to provide a clear picture of the developing incident and to facilitate coordination of response, recovery, and mitigation activities. Current situation reports can be accessed at the North Dakota Emergency Management web site at <http://www.state.nd.us/dem/current.html>.

US ARMY COPRS OF ENGINEERS – EMERGENCY OPERATIONS

The 1986 MOA between USACE and USDA established coordination guidelines that apply independent of a major disaster or emergency declaration by the President.

USACE – Omaha District

Emergency Management Branch

Phone: 402-995-5448 (24-hour emergency number)

Phone: 402-995-2229

Online Contact Form: <https://www.nwo.usace.army.mil/Contact.aspx>

TRIBAL PARTNERS

American Indian tribe or tribal organizations respond to emergency activities and may be potential sponsors for EWP projects.

Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Tribe

Mark Fox, Tribal Chairman

Phone: 701-627-4781

Fax: 701-627-3503

Spirit Lake Tribe of Fort Totten

Peggy Cavanaugh, Tribal Chairperson

Phone: 701-766-4221

Fax: 701-766-4126

Standing Rock Sioux Tribe

Mike Faith, Tribal Chairman

Phone: 701-854-8644

Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa

Jamie Asure, Tribal Chairman

Phone: 701-477-2600

Email: Jamie.Asure@tmbei.org

COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGERS

Below is a table listing county emergency managers. Data from the North Dakota Division of Emergency Services web site in December 2019. For updated information, refer to their web site at: <https://www.nd.gov/des/emergency/>

County	Title	First Name	Last Name	Work Phone	EOC	E-mail
Adams	Ms.	Michele	Gaylord	(701) 567 4598	(701) 567 4598	adams-em@nd.gov
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Barnes	Ms.	Sue	Lloyd	(701) 845 8510	(701) 845 8510	slloyd@barnescounty.us
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Benson	Mr.	Scott	Todahl	(701) 473 5320		bensondem@gondtc.com
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Billings	Mr.	Pat	Rummel	(701) 623 4870	(701) 623 4323	prummel@nd.gov
	Ms.	Frieze	Branda (AssistEM)			bjfrieze@nd.gov
						-
Bottineau	Mr.	Tim	Lewis	(701) 228 5916	(701) 228 7040	tim.lewis@co.bottineau.nd.us
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Bowman	Mr.	Bean	Pearson	(701) 523 3129	(701) 523 4771	dapearson@bowmancountynd.gov
	Ms.	Karla	German	(701) 523 4771		KMGerman@bowmancountynd.gov
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Burke	Mr.	Barry	Jager	(701) 377 4911	(701) 377 2311	bjager@nd.gov
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Burleigh	Ms.	Mary	Senger	(701) 222 6727	(701) 222 6727	msenger@nd.gov
Bismarck	Mr.	Gary	Stockert	(701) 222 6727	(701) 222 6727	gstocket@bismarcknd.gov
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Cass/Fargo	Mr.	Leon	Schlafmann-city	(701) 476 4069	(701) 476 4005	Lschlafmann@cityoffargo.com
	Ms.	Amanda	Johnson	(701) 476 4068		johnsona@casscountynd.gov
	Mr.	Jim	Prochniak	(701) 476 4065	(701) 241 5858	prochniak@casscountynd.gov
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Cavalier	Ms.	Karen	Kempert	(701) 258 3911	(701) 256 2555	kkempert@nd.gov
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Dickey	Mr.	Charlie	Russell	(701) 320 6299 (C)		crussell@nd.gov
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Divide	Mr.	Jody	Gunlock	(701) 965 6361		jgunlock@nd.gov
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Dunn	Ms.	Denise	Brew	(701) 573 9959	(701) 573 9959	denise.brew@dunncountynd.org
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North Dakota EWP — Emergency Recovery Plan

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Foster	Ms.	Jessica	Earle	(701) 652 2252		jdearle@nd.gov (or) fosterem@daktel.com
Golden Valley	Ms	Rachel	Kechane	(701) 872 3917	(701) 872 4733	rkechane@nd.gov
Grand Forks	Ms.	Karise (Karl)	Goetz	(701) 780 8217	(701) 780 8213	karsie.goetz@gfcounty.org Gfcounty.nd.gov
	Ms.	Donna	Anderson	(701) 780 8218		donna.anderson@gfcounty.org
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Grant	Mr.	Patrick	Deihl	(701) 622 3944	(701) 622 3944	pdiehl@nd.gov
Griggs	Mr.	Derek	Hanson	(701) 575 9040	(701) 797 2202	derek.hanson@griggscountynd.gov
	Mr.	Rick	Hummel (AssistEM)			rick.hummel@griggscountynd.gov
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APPENDIX B – DSR TEAM

Once a project sponsor has requested assistance indicating they can fulfill all project sponsor responsibilities, the SPM will establish an interdisciplinary team to evaluate the site and complete the damage survey report (DSR). DCs may serve, as needed, on a DSR team. Project Sponsors may participate on a DSR team as needed. Expertise recommended for the team should include the following disciplines:

Disaster Name: _____

Project Number (provided by NHQ): _____

Sponsor: _____

Area of Experience	Name(s)
EWP program experience	
Engineering	
Resource conservation and planning	
Economics	
Biology	
Cultural resources including archeology, anthropology, historic preservation	
Contracting	
Other disciplines/personnel as required	

APPENDIX C – AGENCY CONTACTS FOR CONSULTATIONS AND PERMITS

When planning emergency recovery practices, NRCS will emphasize measures that are the most economical and can be accomplished by using the least damaging practical construction techniques and equipment that retain as much of the existing characteristics of the landscape and habitat as possible. Planning considerations are addressed in a single or multiple CPA-52 that are associated with a DSR. The CPA-52 may indicate the need for additional consultation outside of NRCS.

Upon request for assistance from a sponsor, the SPM will immediately contact the following agencies to identify and initiate emergency consultation and coordination procedures between NRCS, the agency, and the sponsor, as applicable. While sponsors are responsible for obtain any necessary regulatory permits for EWP measures, NRCS facilitation of early communication will aid in efficient program execution. A single email from the SPM to communicate the need for emergency consultation procedure availability and to establish a liaison may initially be sent.

US Army Corps of Engineers – Regulatory Program

Action – Potential need for Section 404 Clean Water Act permit

USACE – ND Regulatory Office

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State Historic Preservation Office

Action – NRCS compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act

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US Fish and Wildlife Service

Action – NRCS compliance with Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, Migratory Birds Treaty Act, Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act

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