

USDA Ranking Pool Report

Ranking Pool AL FY2026 AgLand
CSP

Program CStwP

Pool Status Active

Tags

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Existing Practice Included Yes

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National Pool No

Include States AL (Admin)

Land Uses and Modifiers

Land Use	Grazed	Wildlife	Irrigated	Hayed	Drained	Organic	Water Feature	Protected	Urban	Aquaculture
Associated Ag Land	--	--	--	--	N/A	--	--	--	--	--
Crop	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Farmstead	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	--	--	--	--	--
Pasture	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

Resource Concern Categories

Categories			
Category	Min %	Default %	Max %
Air (Air quality emissions)	0	3	30
Animals (Aquatic habitat)	0	3	30
Animals (Livestock production limitation)	0	8	30
Animals (Terrestrial habitat)	0	5	30
Energy (Inefficient energy use)	0	5	30
Plants (Degraded plant condition)	0	8	30
Plants (Fire management)	0	8	30
Plants (Pest pressure)	0	5	30
Soil (Concentrated erosion)	0	8	30
Soil (Soil quality limitations)	0	8	30
Soil (Wind and water erosion)	0	8	30
Water (Field pesticide loss)	0	8	30
Water (Field sediment, nutrient and pathogen loss)	0	8	30
Water (Salt losses to water)	0	1	30
Water (Source water depletion)	0	8	30

Categories

Category	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water (Storage and handling of pollutants)	0	3	30
Water (Weather resilience)	0	3	30

Air (Air quality emissions)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Air Quality (Emissions of airborne reactive nitrogen)	0	20	50
Air Quality (Emissions of greenhouse gases - GHGs)	0	20	50
Air Quality (Emissions of ozone precursors)	0	20	50
Air Quality (Emissions of particulate matter (PM) and PM precursors)	0	20	50
Air Quality (Objectionable odor)	0	20	50

Animals (Aquatic habitat)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Aquatic Habitat (Aquatic habitat for fish and other organisms)	0	50	100
Aquatic Habitat (Elevated water temperature)	0	50	100

Animals (Livestock production limitation)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Livestock Health (Feed and forage balance)	0	30	50
Livestock Health (Inadequate livestock shelter)	0	40	50
Livestock Health (Inadequate livestock water quantity, quality and distribution)	0	30	50

Animals (Terrestrial habitat)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Terrestrial Habitat (Terrestrial habitat for wildlife and invertebrates)	0	100	100

Energy (Inefficient energy use)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Energy Use (Energy efficiency of equipment and facilities)	0	50	100
Energy Use (Energy efficiency of farming/ranching practices and field operations)	0	50	100

Plants (Degraded plant condition)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Plant Health (Plant productivity and health)	0	50	100
Plant Health (Plant structure and composition)	0	50	100

Plants (Fire management)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Wildfire Hazard (Wildfire hazard from biomass accumulation)	0	100	100

Plants (Pest pressure)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Plant Health (Plant pest pressure)	0	100	100

Soil (Concentrated erosion)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Soil Erosion (Bank erosion from streams, shorelines or water conveyance channels)	0	30	50
Soil Erosion (Classic gully erosion)	0	40	50
Soil Erosion (Ephemeral gully erosion)	0	30	50

Soil (Soil quality limitations)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Soil Health (Aggregate instability)	0	25	50
Soil Health (Compaction)	0	25	50
Soil Health (Organic matter depletion)	0	25	50
Soil Health (Soil organism habitat loss or degradation)	0	25	50

Soil (Wind and water erosion)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Soil Erosion (Sheet and rill erosion)	0	80	100
Soil Erosion (Wind erosion)	0	20	100

Water (Field pesticide loss)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water Quality (Pesticides transported to groundwater)	0	50	100
Water Quality (Pesticides transported to surface water)	0	50	100

Water (Field sediment, nutrient and pathogen loss)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water Quality (Nutrients transported to groundwater)	0	20	50
Water Quality (Nutrients transported to surface water)	0	20	50
Water Quality (Pathogens and chemicals from manure, biosolids or compost applications transported to groundwater)	0	20	50
Water Quality (Pathogens and chemicals from manure, biosolids or compost applications transported to surface water)	0	20	50

Water (Field sediment, nutrient and pathogen loss)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water Quality (Sediment transported to surface water)	0	20	50

Water (Salt losses to water)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water Quality (Salts transported to groundwater)	0	50	100
Water Quality (Salts transported to surface water)	0	50	100

Water (Source water depletion)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water Quantity (Groundwater depletion)	0	30	50
Water Quantity (Inefficient irrigation water use)	0	40	50
Water Quantity (Surface water depletion)	0	30	50

Water (Storage and handling of pollutants)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water Quality (Nutrients transported to groundwater)	0	25	50
Water Quality (Nutrients transported to surface water)	0	25	50
Water Quality (Petroleum, heavy metals and other pollutants transported to groundwater)	0	25	50
Water Quality (Petroleum, heavy metals and other pollutants transported to surface water)	0	25	50

Water (Weather resilience)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water Quantity (Naturally available moisture use)	0	25	50
Water Quantity (Ponding and flooding)	0	25	50
Water Quantity (Seasonal high water table)	0	25	50
Water Quantity (Seeps)	0	25	50

Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
Soil Health Testing	216	00N	Activities
Soil and Source Testing for Nutrient Management	217	00N	Activities
Brush Management	314	00N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Herbaceous Weed Treatment	315	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
Conservation Cover	327	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Conservation Crop Rotation	328	00N, 03N, 04N	Conservation Practices
Residue and Tillage Management, No Till	329	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Contour Buffer Strips	332	00N	Conservation Practices
Soil Carbon Amendment	336	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Prescribed Burning	338	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Cover Crop	340	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Critical Area Planting	342	00N	Conservation Practices
Residue and Tillage Management, Reduced Till	345	00N	Conservation Practices
Silvopasture	381	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Fence	382	00N, 03N, 04N	Conservation Practices
Fuel Break	383	00N	Conservation Practices
Field Border	386	00N	Conservation Practices
Riparian Forest Buffer	391	00N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Filter Strip	393	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Firebreak	394	00N	Conservation Practices
Stream Habitat Improvement and Management	395	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Wildlife Habitat Planting	420	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Hedgerow Planting	422	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Irrigation Water Management	449	00N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Mulching	484	00N, 02N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Tree/Shrub Site Preparation	490	00N	Conservation Practices
Forage Harvest Management	511	00N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Pasture and Hay Planting	512	00N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Livestock Pipeline	516	00N	Conservation Practices
Grazing Management	528	00N, 02N, 03N, 04N	Conservation Practices
Pumping Plant	533	00N, 02N	Conservation Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
Heavy Use Area Protection	561	00N	Conservation Practices
Spring Development	574	00N	Conservation Practices
Livestock Shelter Structure	576	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Nutrient Management	590	00N, 06N, 07N, 08N	Conservation Practices
Pest Management Conservation System	595	00N, 05N, 06N, 07N	Conservation Practices
Tree/Shrub Establishment	612	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Watering Facility	614	00N	Conservation Practices
Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management	644	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Upland Wildlife Habitat Management	645	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Early Successional Habitat Development-Mgt	647	00N	Conservation Practices
Structures for Wildlife	649	00N	Conservation Practices
Forest Trails and Landings	655	00N	Conservation Practices
Tree-Shrub Pruning	660	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Forest Stand Improvement	666	00N	Conservation Practices
Existing Activity Payment	E300EAP	00N	CStwP Enhancements (2018)

Ranking Weights

Factors	Algorithm	Allowable Min	Default	Allowable Max
Vulnerabilities	Adjustment (A)	5	5	10
Planned Practice Effects	Adjustment (C)	35	35	50
Resource Priorities	Default	15	30	35
Program Priorities	Default	15	20	35
Efficiencies	Default	10	10	10

Display Group: FY2026 AL CSP Agland (Active)



An asterisk will be displayed to show that it is a conditional section or conditional question.

Survey: Applicability Questions

Section: Applicability

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Is the majority of the operation within Alabama?	The majority of the operation is within Alabama	--
	Otherwise	--

Survey: Category Questions

Section: Category

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Select all that apply:	General (MUST select this)	--
	(BFR) Beginning Farmer/Rancher	--
	(RPP) Regenerative Pilot Program	--
	(SDFR) Socially Disadvantaged Farmer/Rancher	--
	(Reserve 1)	--
	(Reserve 2)	--
	(Reserve 3)	--

Survey: Program Questions

Section: Program

Question	Answer Choices	Points
(Select One) At the time of application, the application meets:	meets 8 or more resource concern categories across the operation	100
	meets 6 or more resource concern categories across the operation	80
	meets 4 or more resource concern categories across the operation	60
	meets 2 or more resource concern categories across the operation	40
(Select One) By the end of the contract, the applicant will implement additional conservation activities across the operation that allows the producer to:	Meet and/or Exceed the stewardship threshold for 7 or more additional resource concern categories	75
	Meet and/or Exceed the stewardship threshold for 5 or more additional resource concern categories	60
	Meet and/or Exceed the stewardship threshold for 3 or more additional resource concern categories	45
	Meet and/or Exceed the stewardship threshold for 2 or more additional resource concern categories	30
	Meet and/or Exceed the stewardship threshold for 1 or more additional resource concern categories	15
	Not meet/exceed any additional resource concern categories	0

Section: Program

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Does the producer have active CSP contract(s) for same land use but chooses not to include the newly acquired/newly eligible land? Note - If the contract was IRA funded, answer NO	YES	-200
	NO	0
Does the applicant meet the NRCS definition of a veteran farmer or rancher (VFR)? *	YES	20
	NO	0
Did the applicant participate in the CRP Transition Incentives Program (TIP), and has the land in the CSP application come out of CRP within the last 2 years?*	YES	5
	NO	0

Survey: Resource Questions

Section: Resource

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Is the applicant currently planting cover crops on 50% or more of cropland every year and/or are livestock rotated in pastureland every five days or less (with grazing records)?	YES	60
	NO	0
Is the applicant using no-till/strip till on all cropland every year and/or is the stocking density of livestock in pastureland equal to 1 cow/calf pair per 2.5 ac or more?	YES	45
	NO	0
Are the resource concerns Concentrated Erosion, Soil Quality Limitation, and Water Erosion met on all land uses at the time of application?	YES	25
	NO	0
Answer all that apply:*	CEMA 216 is planned on 25% or more of the applicable PLUs	20
	An RPP core practice is planned for all applicable years of the contract?	12
	An RPP core practice is planned for 3 years of the contract?	5
	An RPP core practice is planned for 2 years of the contract?	3
	None of the above	0
Reserve*	Priority 1	15
	Priority 2	10
	Priority 3	5

Detailed Assessments

Name	Type	Jurisdiction	Status
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