# LE SUEUR COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

MINNESOTA CONSERVATION RESERVE ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM (MN CREP)





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#### WHAT IS MN CREP?

Minnesota Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (MN CREP) is a voluntary, federal/state funded conservation reserve program that targets environmentally sensitive land in 54 counties in western and southern Minnesota. This program focuses on grass filter strips, wetland restorations in floodplains and non floodplains and wellhead protection areas.

### **HOW IT WORKS**

Landowners sign up their acres in the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) through the USDA-Farm Service Agency (FSA). At the same time, the land is also enrolled in the Reinvest in Minnesota (RIM) Reserve Program, which is administered by the Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR). The land is permanently restored and enhanced for conservation benefits

#### WHY ENROLL?

MN CREP enrollment is open until the funds are exhausted or the 60,000 acre limit is obtained. Landowners retain ownership of the land and get compensated fairly for the land retirement portion of MN CREP. Because the program prioritizes and targets marginal cropland, there is a increased return on the cropland in the program.







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