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# Conservation Effects Assessment Project Bibliographies



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# Bibliographies for the Conservation Effects Assessment Project (CEAP)

The Water Quality Information Center at the National Agricultural Library has developed a six-volume bibliography in support of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Conservation Effects Assessment Project (CEAP).



**Wetlands in Worth County, Iowa.**

CEAP is studying the environmental effects of conservation practices implemented through various U.S. Department of Agriculture conservation programs.

The following bibliographies offer more than 5,200 citations with abstracts (when available). URLs are included when the documents are freely available online.

## ***1. Environmental Effects of U.S. Department of Agriculture Conservation Programs***

This bibliography is a guide to literature useful for assessing on-the-ground results of conservation programs from various environmental perspectives.

It provides an overview of various environmental outcomes resulting from landowner participation in USDA conservation programs.

Programs covered include:

- The Conservation Reserve Program
- Environmental Quality Incentives Program
- Wetlands Reserve Program
- Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program

## ***2. Implementing Agricultural Conservation Practices: Barriers and Incentives***

This volume is a guide to recent literature examining agricultural producers' views of conservation programs and practices.

It examines the psychological and socioeconomic factors that influence agricultural producers' behavior with regard to environmental issues.

## ***3. Data and Modeling for Environmental Credit Trading***

Citations in this volume help people with an interest in environmental credit trading and agriculture become informed about the current state of data acquisition and the use of simulation models in this emerging field.

It presents recent literature on this new approach to environmental protection that uses market-based mechanisms to efficiently allocate emission or pollutant reductions among sources with different marginal control costs.

## ***4. Agricultural Conservation Practices and Related Issues: Reviews of the State of the Art and Research Needs***

This document helps those working in the area of agriculture and the environment to identify resources for designing and implementing agricultural systems that foster environmental protection and improvement.

It focuses on documents where information has already been synthesized from many sources, rather than listing the many individual studies done on conservation practices.

## ***5. Wetlands in Agricultural Landscapes***

This volume is a guide to recent scientific literature covering environmental aspects of wetlands in agricultural landscapes.

It highlights research findings in two main areas: (1) the effects of conservation practices (and other agricultural activities) on wetlands and (2) the environmental effects of wetlands as conservation practices (including constructing and restoring wetlands).

## ***6. Environmental Effects of Conservation Practices on Grazing Lands***

This bibliography is a compilation of recent scientific literature covering environmental effects of conservation practices on grazing lands. This information is useful in designing both policies and on-the-land conservation systems that foster practical and environmentally sound grazing practices.



**Cattle grazing on Colorado rangelands.**



A limited number of hard copies are available from the center. The bibliographies are also online at:  
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