

Oklahoma At A Glance

Conservation Programs

Environmental Quality Incentives Program

Contracts: 1,094

Acres: 380,068

Financial Assistance: \$20.9 million

Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program

Contracts: 90

Acres: 36,396

Financial Assistance: \$1,368,446

Wetlands Reserve Program

Easements: 13

Contracts: 1

Acres: 2,956

Financial Assistance: \$4,108,797

Agricultural Water Enhancement Program

Contracts: 13

Acres: 2,017

Financial Assistance: \$739,581

Farm and Ranch Land Protection Program

Cooperative Agreements: 2

Financial Assistance: \$267,000

Conservation Security Program Payments

Contracts: 781

Financial Assistance: \$5,491,365

Grassland Reserve Program

Easements: 2

Contracts: 11

Acres: 10,196

Financial Assistance: \$1,933,583

Overview of 2009

The New Farm Bill provided a wide range of programs and services to enable Oklahoma landowners to implement various conservation practices and management activities in 2009.



NRCS's natural resources conservation programs helped people reduce soil erosion, enhance water supplies, improve water quality, increase wildlife habitat, and reduce damages caused by floods and other natural disasters. Public benefits included enhanced natural resources that helped sustain agricultural productivity and environmental quality while supporting continued economic development, recreation, and scenic beauty.



The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act was signed into law by President Obama on February 17th, 2009. It is an unprecedented effort to jumpstart the economy, create or save jobs, and put a down payment on addressing long-neglected challenges. Funding was provided to restore frequently flooded land to its natural state, rehabilitate aging watershed structures and establish floodplain easements. Oklahoma received \$13.45 million for the rehabilitation of 7 dams, \$1.45 million for 2 new watershed construction projects, and \$1.3 million for 17 remedial watershed repair projects. The ARRA has proven to be a prime example of what federal, state, and local agencies can accomplish when working in a solid partnership. For more about Oklahoma NRCS, visit our website at www.ok.nrcs.usda.gov.