

## Acronyms

<b>ACEP</b>	<u>A</u> griculture <u>C</u> onservation <u>E</u> asement <u>P</u> rogram - includes sub-categories: WRE-Wetlands Reserve Easements and ALE-Agriculture Land Easements
<b>AFO</b>	Animal Feeding Operation: definition of livestock, usually less than 1000 animals, contained for more than 45 days in a 12-month period with area deprived of vegetation
<b>AITC</b>	Ag in the Classroom: nonprofit promoting agricultural awareness, including natural resources conservation education
<b>ANMT</b>	Agricultural Nutrient Management Team: technical assistance team with staff from districts & NRCS who help promote and establish ag waste systems
<b>ASTC</b>	Assistant State Conservationist: NRCS employee supervising field offices
<b>AWEP</b>	Agricultural Water Enhancement Program
<b>CAFO</b>	Concentrated (or Confined) Animal Feeding Operation: Same as AFO with 1000 or more animals
<b>CC</b>	Conservation Commission: see description on page 02-21
<b>CCRP</b>	Continuous Conservation Reserve Program: USDA cost share and land retirement program promoting conservation practices on sensitive lands
<b>CD</b>	Conservation District: governmental sub-division of state government
<b>CIG</b>	Conservation Innovation Grant Program
<b>CREP</b>	Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program: program focusing on a state's specific needs to enhance USDA's CRP program
<b>CRP</b>	Conservation Reserve Program: USDA cost share and land retirement conservation program
<b>CSP</b>	Conservation Stewardship Program: cost share program to enhance management
<b>CTA</b>	Conservation Technical Assistance
<b>DC</b>	District Conservationist: NRCS employee assigned to assist one or more conservation districts

<b>DENR</b>	Department of Environment and Natural Resources: see description on page 02-23
<b>DU</b>	Ducks Unlimited: national organization promoting waterfowl and grassland enhancement and restoration
<b>ECP</b>	Emergency Conservation Program: USDA cost share program for implementing conservation practices on emergency basis
<b>EI</b>	Erosion Index: calculation used to estimate potential soil erosion
<b>EPA</b>	Environmental Protection Agency: see description on page 02-35
<b>EQIP</b>	Environmental Quality Incentives Program: USDA cost share program promoting conservation
<b>FSA</b>	Farm Service Agency: see description on page 02-29
<b>FSO</b>	Field Support Office: NRCS offices located in Brookings, Pierre & Rapid City to support field offices
<b>FWS</b>	Fish & Wildlife Service: see description on page 02-33
<b>GFP</b>	Game Fish & Parks: see description on page 02-23
<b>HEL</b>	Highly Erodible Land: land defined by USDA as erodible and requires a conservation plan to be eligible for USDA programs
<b>HU</b>	Hydrologic Unit: geospatial description of watersheds
<b>KSDG</b>	Keep South Dakota Green: nonprofit association whose emphasis is tree planting
<b>LWG</b>	Local Working Group
<b>MOU</b>	Memorandum of Understanding: agreement of cooperation entered into with various agencies
<b>NACD</b>	National Association of Conservation Districts: see description on page 02-27
<b>NRCS</b>	Natural Resources Conservation Service: see description on page 02-29
<b>NWQI</b>	National Water Quality Initiative
<b>PF</b>	Pheasants Forever: nonprofit organization promoting pheasant habitat through technical assistance and cost share incentives

<b>PIP</b>	Practice Incentive Payment: payment received by producer for completion of certain USDA program conservation practices
<b>PLT</b>	Project Learning Tree: nonprofit organization promoting conservation education and forestry awareness
<b>RC&amp;D</b>	Resource Conservation & Development: see description on page 02-28
<b>RC&amp;F</b>	Resource Conservation & Forestry: see description on page 02-22
<b>RCPP</b>	Regional Conservation Partnership Program
<b>RRBI</b>	Red River Basin Initiative
<b>SDACD</b>	South Dakota Association of Conservation Districts: see description on page 02-25
<b>SDACDE</b>	South Dakota Association of Conservation Districts Employees: see description on page 02-26
<b>SDCL</b>	South Dakota Codified Law
<b>SGI</b>	Sage Grouse Initiative
<b>SIP</b>	Signing Incentive Payment: producer payment received for enrolling in certain USDA conservation programs
<b>SO</b>	State Office: NRCS state headquarters located in Huron
<b>SRM</b>	Society for Range Management: nonprofit organization promoting grassland conservation
<b>SWCS</b>	Soil & Water Conservation Society: nonprofit organization promoting soil & water conservation, scholarships are available
<b>TMDL's</b>	Total Maximum Daily Loads: measurement of amount of pollution a water source can support and still maintain its beneficial uses
<b>USDA</b>	United States Department of Agriculture
<b>WLFW</b>	Working Lands for Wildlife
<b>WRP</b>	Wetlands Reserve Program: USDA voluntary wetland protection program available to producers
<b>WSS</b>	Web Soil Survey