



What's new
in 2022?

New CREP Options are Available for Illinois Landowners

Federal CREP Contract		Federal CREP Prior to 2022	Federal CREP 2022 Enrollment
Federal CREP/CRP Contract Length		15 year contract	15 years contract
Federal Payments		Annual payments for 15 year contract	Annual payments for 15 year contract
NEW	Federal Incentive on the Soil Rental Rate	30% on riparian acres, 20% on HEL acres	25% on riparian and HEL acres
NEW	Federal Acre Minimum	None	3 acres per Federal CREP/CRP contract ¹
Federal Cost Share		50%	50%
NEW	State Easement on Federal CREP/CRP Contract	Optional	Mandatory
Illinois CREP - State Easement		Illinois CREP Prior to 2022	Illinois CREP 2022 Enrollment
NEW	State Easement Options	15-year, 35-year, or permanent easement	15-year or permanent easement
State Easement Payments		Lump-sum payment at easement execution ²	Lump-sum payment at easement execution ³
NEW	State Easement Renewal	No	Yes ⁴
NEW	State Easement Additional (non-crop) Acres	Yes <i>Only on permanent easements</i>	Yes <i>Available on all new 15-year and permanent easements ⁵</i>
NEW	State Easement Acre Minimum	20 acres	None
NEW	State Cost Share	50% on permanent easements 40% on 15-year and 35-year easements	50% on all easement options
State Easement Extension from Non-Permanent to Permanent		Yes	Yes ⁵
NEW	State Easement holder	SWCD	IDNR

¹ Unless determined by FSA to be socially disadvantaged, limited resource, veteran, or beginning farmer or rancher

² Permanent Easement: Average Soil Rental Rate (SRR) x 30% x 15 yrs.; 35-year easement: 75% permanent easement; 15-year easement: 50% permanent easement

³ Permanent Easement: Avg. SRR x 15% x 30 yrs; 15 year easement: Avg. SRR x 25% x 15 yrs

⁴ Landowner has the option to renew non-permanent easements within the last 2 years of the easement term and receive additional payment (if easement is in compliance)

⁵ No additional acres can be added during easement renewal or extension to permanent