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EQIP FACT SHEET

Environmental Quality Incentives Program for Forestland

EQIP Overview

The EQIP program provides technical assistance and incentive payments to eligible producers in order to achieve environmental benefits such as improved water quality, forest health, fuels reduction, reduced erosion and improved fish and wildlife habitat. NRCS technical staff will develop a Conservation Plan that will identify the practices the producer wants to implement in order to achieve the conservation goals of that property. The application will then be ranked according to the environmental benefits expected to be achieved. Highest ranked applications will be awarded a contract that includes an incentive payment for each practice.

Forest Management Plans

FMPs are prepared by a Registered Professional Forester. These plans are based on landowner goals and objectives and include an inventory of forest and other resource conditions. The plans identify projects that may qualify for financial incentives through EQIP.

Eligibility

Applicants must own land capable of growing merchantable trees and comply with adjusted gross income limitation (AGI) provisions.

Incentive payments available for:

- **Forest Management Plans**
- **Forest Stand Improvement**
- **Fuel Breaks**
- **Road Improvements**
- **Reforestation**
- **Wildlife Habitat Improvement**
- **Erosion Control**

and more.....

How to Apply

Applications are accepted any time throughout the year. To receive an application or for more information, contact the NRCS Ukiah Field office at (707) 468-9223 or visit the office at 1252 Airport Park Blvd., Suite B1, Ukiah. More information is available at www.nrcs.usda.gov

