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NRCS Team III Monthly Report

May 1, 2022

Environmental Quality Incentives Program – EQIP

- Staff are currently working on engineering and vegetative practice designs, checkouts, cultural resource clearances and conducting site visits.
- **Ranking Deadline - May 6, 2022**
- **Obligation Deadline – July 1, 2022**
- **Currently taking applications for FY 2023**
<https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/nm/programs/financial/eqip/>

Conservation Stewardship Program - CSP

- **Obligation Deadline – June 3, 2022**
- **2 – RCPP CSP – \$205,000.00**
- **4 - Applications -**
- **Currently taking applications for FY 2023**
<https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/nm/programs/financial/csp/>

Environmental Quality Incentives Program Conservation Incentive Contracts– EQIP CIC

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- **Obligation Deadline – July 1, 2022**
- **Currently ranking applications for FY 2023**
<https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/ca/programs/financial/eqip/?cid=nrcseprd1788631>

Conservation Innovation Grants

- CIG -is a competitive program that supports the development of new tools, approaches, practices, and technologies to further natural resource conservation on private lands.
- Proposals must be submitted through Grants.gov by July 19
- Currently ranking applications for FY 2023

<https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/financial/cig/>

Team III Update.

- All NRCS New Mexico employees will begin returning to work in-person May 2, 2022. All field offices are open to the public.
 - The SWCD can meet in NRCS buildings if the county is low or medium, we must review the USDA COVID-19 Workplace Safety Plan as well as the Safer Federal Workforce.

Staffing:

- Troy Thompson (Carlsbad)-Detailed as North Area Programs Specialist, North Area Office, effective 4/24/2022
- Phillip Herrera will be the new State Agronomist, in Albuquerque, effective 5/22/2022.

Training:

- Grazing Management 101- Ongoing May-Nov Virtual

**Respectfully Submitted,
David Griego
District Conservationist, Team 3**