



**Redington NRCD Meeting
February 9, 2016 – 2:00 PM
NRCS Report - by: Penny Daye-Driscoll, District Conservationist**

A. Conservation Plans:

William Kieckhefer has requested a conservation plan on irrigated pasture.

B. EQIP (Environmental Quality Incentives Program):

Second quarter funding cycle FY2016, application deadline was January 8, 2016. The Field Office allocation has been assigned \$493,655.

Seasonal High Tunnel, Organics and Air Quality Initiatives are available the second quarter cycle.

RCPP (Regional Conservation Partnership Program) (Restoring Native Grassland Project with AZGF) is available the second quarter cycle. RCPP application cutoff dates is the same as EQIP. (Oct. 2nd, Jan. 8th, April 1st, & July 1st)

Participants need to complete eligibilities for EQIP FY2016 Average Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) certification forms and submit to FSA.

C. CSP (Conservation Stewardship Program):

For CSP contract holders- to process payments the deadline is March 15th on installed CSP enhancements.

CSP signup for 2016-1 General Sign Up and 2017-1 Renewal Sign Up both cutoff dates is set for March 31, 2016.

D. Other Items of Interest:

State lands cultural resource issue, currently NRCS is not moving forward or obligating funds on projects that are on State lands except non-ground disturbing practices. It is affecting cooperators' EQIP applications and active contracts that have projects on State Lands.

Willcox-San Simon NRCD will host a Prescribed Fire Workshop on March 30, 2016.

If you have any questions, you can contact me at the office 520-384-2229 x119.