2013 CRP SEED COST-SHARE

Enrollment into the FWP program will be competitively awarded to landowners who are reseeding new CRP that is beneficial to wildlife and who agree to:

- allow free public upland game bird hunting
- adhere to all of the Farm Service Agency's (FSA) mandatory maintenance activity obligations
- apart from FSA's required maintenance activities, no additional haying or grazing on enrolled properties while enrolled in the Upland Game Bird Enhancement Program
- post program signs on enrolled property to identify boundaries
- FWP's annual publication of enrolled tracts in a hunting access guide.

Producers improve their CRP ranking by planting high-scoring seed mixtures that provide the greatest benefit to wildlife. These seed mixes consist of a larger number of native grasses and forbs which are more costly to the producer.

Eligible producers may receive up to a 35% cost-share for seed mixes that contain a minimum of 3 native grasses plus one forb or legume, but no more that \$20 per acre. Producers may receive up to \$10,000 in seed cost-share in 2013. The counties eligible for FWP's cost-share program are: Cascade, Chouteau, Daniels, Dawson, Fallon, Fergus, Glacier, McCone, Pondera, Prairie, Richland, Roosevelt, Sheridan, Teton, Toole, Valley and Wibaux.

For more program information and an online application form, visit FWP's web site at fwp.mt.gov – search "Upland Game Bird Enhancement Program." To be considered, applications must be mailed to: Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks – Wildlife Division; P.O. Box 200701; Helena, MT 59620. There is no deadline to apply.

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