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Announcements

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The workshops are intended for CRP contract holders whose contract will expire in 2006 or 2007 and are interested in learning about management and production options following CRP enrollment. In addition to finding out the latest potential options and requirements for re-enrollment, participants will be introduced on how to convert CRP land to pasture or hay, row crop production, and CRP improvement without damaging the soil and water quality improved from the previous CRP enrollment. The workshops will include both the advantages and challenges of the options available and a simple economic breakdown.

The workshops are free to attend, but we ask for preregistration on or before February 17 to ensure availability of seats and handouts. Registration should be called to the Bedford NRCS Service Center (712) 523-3631 or the Mt. Ayr NRCS Service Center (641) 464-2201.



Aerial photos are used for conservation planning by the NRCS and show conservation practices already in place. Such maps are increasingly being made available on the Web. (Natural Resources Conservation Service)

Questions regarding the workshops should be directed to Doug Davenport (712) 523-3631, Wayde Ross (641) 464-2201, or Mark Licht (515) 294-8039.

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