

NEVADA CONSERVATION CREDIT SYSTEM

CREDIT SITE VALIDATION CHECKLIST

This Credit Site Validation Checklist is used to express interest in generating credits within the Nevada Conservation Credit System (NV CCS), and provide basic information about a potential credit project in order to confirm the project is eligible to generate credits. The Credit Site Validation Checklist is filled out by the Credit Developer or a knowledgeable Technical Support Provider or Aggregator ('Authorized Agent') to the best of their ability, and submitted to the Sagebrush Ecosystem Technical Team (SETT).

The SETT will evaluate the proposed project and may follow-up with the Credit Developer to collect additional information. If the credit site validation criteria are met, the SETT will issue a Notice of Validation letter to indicate the proposed project will likely be eligible to sell credits, and may move forward with project design. The Notice of Validation letter is not a confirmation of the quantity of credits to be issued.

SIGNATURE

I am submitting this Credit Site Validation Checklist to indicate interest in generating credits within the Nevada Conservation Credit System. I recognize that not all projects may be eligible for participation. To be awarded credits under the Nevada Conservation Credit System, my project must fulfill all requirements described in the Nevada Conservation Credit System Manual. Credit estimates must be verified by the SETT. I attest that the information provided in this form is accurate to the best of my ability.

Credit Developer

Date

CREDIT SITE VALIDATION SUMMARY (SETT USE ONLY)				
Project ID	Date Received	WAFWA Zone	PMU	BSU
CREDIT DEVELOPER CONTACT INFORMATION		AUTHORIZED AGENT'S CONTACT INFORMATION (IF APPLICABLE)		
Credit Developer Name	Provide first and last name of Credit Developer.	Contact Person Name & Title	Provide first and last name of authorized agent and agent's title.	
Mailing Address	Provide mailing address for Credit Developer.	Mailing Address	Provide mailing address for authorized agent.	
Telephone	Provide telephone number where Credit Developer can be reached (home, work or cellular).	Telephone	Provide telephone number where authorized agent can be reached (home, work or cellular).	
Email	Provide email address for Credit Developer.	Email	Provide email address for authorized agent.	

PROJECT INFORMATION	
Property Location	<p>Specify the county in which the proposed project site is located and general road access and/or place names. Provide the Township, Range and Section if possible. Attach a map showing the proposed project boundaries or provide a shapefile if available.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Map or shapefile of proposed credit project area is included</p>
Number of acres you are considering for enrollment in the Credit System	<p>Provide the total number of acres of the proposed project site. An estimate or range is sufficient. Projects less than 1,000 acres are not generally recommended except when dominated by high quality meadow habitat.</p>
Briefly describe the current use of the land you are planning to restore, enhance or manage for credits under this program	<p>Briefly describe the current use of the proposed project site.</p>
Briefly describe the proposed credit project and anticipated benefits to greater sage-grouse	<p>Briefly describe the proposed restoration, enhancement, or management activities and the anticipated benefits to greater sage-grouse. Specific actions will be informed by future project design and input from the Habitat Quantification Tool.</p>
Will this land be enrolled permanently or for a term contract, and if so for how long?	<p>Indicate preference to participate in permanent conservation or a term contract (minimum 30 years in increments of 5 years). This Response is NOT a binding commitment. If not known, check "unsure". Provide additional clarification here if needed.</p> <p> <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent contract <input type="checkbox"/> Term contract: _____ years <input type="checkbox"/> Unsure </p>

PROPERTY & OWNERSHIP QUESTIONS	
Is the proposed project within the Sage-Grouse Management Area?	<p>Indicate whether the proposed project is within the Sage-Grouse Management Area. Credit projects must be located within the Sage-Grouse Management Area to be eligible to participate in the Credit System.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unsure</p>
What is the land ownership status of the area of the proposed project (check all that apply)?	<p>Indicate the land ownership status of the area of the proposed project.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> State or Local Government <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> Tribal, Allotted, Ceded, or Indian Land</p>
How will the Credit Developer certify control of the land of the proposed project area?	<p>Indicate how the Credit Developer will certify control of the surface rights of the proposed project area.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Deed <input type="checkbox"/> Unsure <input type="checkbox"/> Written Lease Agreement (Years of control are _____ through _____) <input type="checkbox"/> Other agreement or legal conveyance (describe):</p>
Has the proposed project area ever received funding to implement a conservation project (e.g., Farm Bill funds) or participated in another credit market?	<p>Indicate if you have ever received an outside source of funding to implement conservation on your proposed project area. If yes, describe the funding source. This includes Farm Bill (i.e. EQIP) funds. This will not preclude you from participation in the Credit System. If yes, please specify here.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes (describe:) <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unsure</p>
Is any of the proposed project area covered by a conservation easement, held by a conservation organization or agency, or otherwise had conservation values protected?	<p>Indicate whether there are any existing conservation easements or external conservation restrictions on the property. Provide additional clarification here if needed.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes (describe:) <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unsure</p>

GREATER OUTCOMES FOR GREATER SAGE GROUSE RCPP ADDENDUM

This addendum provides additional questions to ensure potential Greater Outcomes for Greater Sage Grouse RCPP applicants are informed about the State's expectations, and further ensure good candidates are selected for awards. Potential applicants not in general agreement with these expectations are recommended to instead apply for EQIP funds not related to this RCPP which is specifically for producers interested in the NV CCS. Potential applicants with less than 1,000 acre project areas are also recommended to apply for standard EQIP, except when acres are dominated by meadow habitat, due to the low potential for generation of meaningful credits.

Do you agree to share project information with the SETT and its RCPP partners for RCPP reporting?

- Yes, I agree.
- No, I do not want information about my project shared.

RCPP applicants are required to have a credit estimate completed by the SETT to assess the NV CCS credit potential of the project area.

Do you agree to provide information on the project area in consideration and to allow the SETT to generate a credit estimate for the area?

- Yes, I agree. I will ensure the SETT is provided the information necessary to generate a credit estimate.
- No, I do not want a credit estimate completed.

Do you plan to run the Habitat Quantification Tool (HQT) on the project area to assess habitat and credit potential in Spring 2018 prior to implementing RCPP practices?

- I have had the HQT run on the entire project area or have arranged to have the HQT completed on the project area in the Spring of 2018 prior to implementing RCPP practices on-the-ground.
- I agree to have the HQT run on the project area by the SETT and its RCPP partners in the Spring of 2018 prior to implementing RCPP practices on-the-ground.
- No, I do not agree to have the HQT run on the project area to assess habitat and NV CCS credit potential despite the SETT's offer to assist with RCPP partners on the effort.

Do you plan to utilize additional assistance available from the SETT and RCPP partners to assist in making the project NV CCS eligible?

- I plan to have the SETT and its RCPP partners assist in developing a NV CCS Management Plan and/or leading NV CCS Annual Monitoring efforts for the duration of the current RCPP program timeline.
- I have already arranged to have these NV CCS deliverables and tasks completed or plan to complete them without the assistance of the SETT and its RCPP partners.
- No, I do not plan to complete the necessary NV CCS deliverables and tasks.

Do you agree to attend an RCPP workshop or have an appropriate project representative attend?

- Yes, I agree to attend the workshop or send an appropriate representative if I cannot make it.
- No, I do not plan to attend the RCPP workshop or send an appropriate representative.

The Sagebrush Ecosystem Program is requesting a cost-share contribution to assist with this tremendous RCPP effort. Do you agree to provide a cost-share equal to 5.15% of the Federal funds awarded to the Sagebrush Ecosystem Program to assist in funding the RCPP workshop and reporting efforts?

- Yes, I agree to provide the cost-share funds requested if I am selected for an RCPP award.
- No, I do not plan to contribute a cost-share if I am selected for an RCPP award.

SIGNATURE

I am submitting this addendum to the Credit Site Validation Checklist to indicate my level of interest in meeting the State's expectations for the overall Greater Outcomes for Greater Sage Grouse RCPP effort as well as interest in generating credits within the Nevada CCS. I recognize the State may not find all projects eligible for participation, and attest that the information provided is accurate to the best of my ability.

Potential RCPP Applicant

Date