

Conservation Reserve Program

Kentucky State Acres for Wildlife Enhancement (SAFE) Initiative - Northern Bobwhite Quail & Grassland Songbird SAFE

Why Choose CRP SAFE?

The State Acres for Wildlife Enhancement (SAFE) Initiative restores vital habitat needed to meet conservation goals for rare and declining species. As an addition to the CRP program, SAFE provides farmers and landowners within the designated area of Kentucky opportunities to achieve conservation goals for the Northern Bobwhite Quail and native songbird species while also helping protect soil and water health.

Eligible Land & Producers

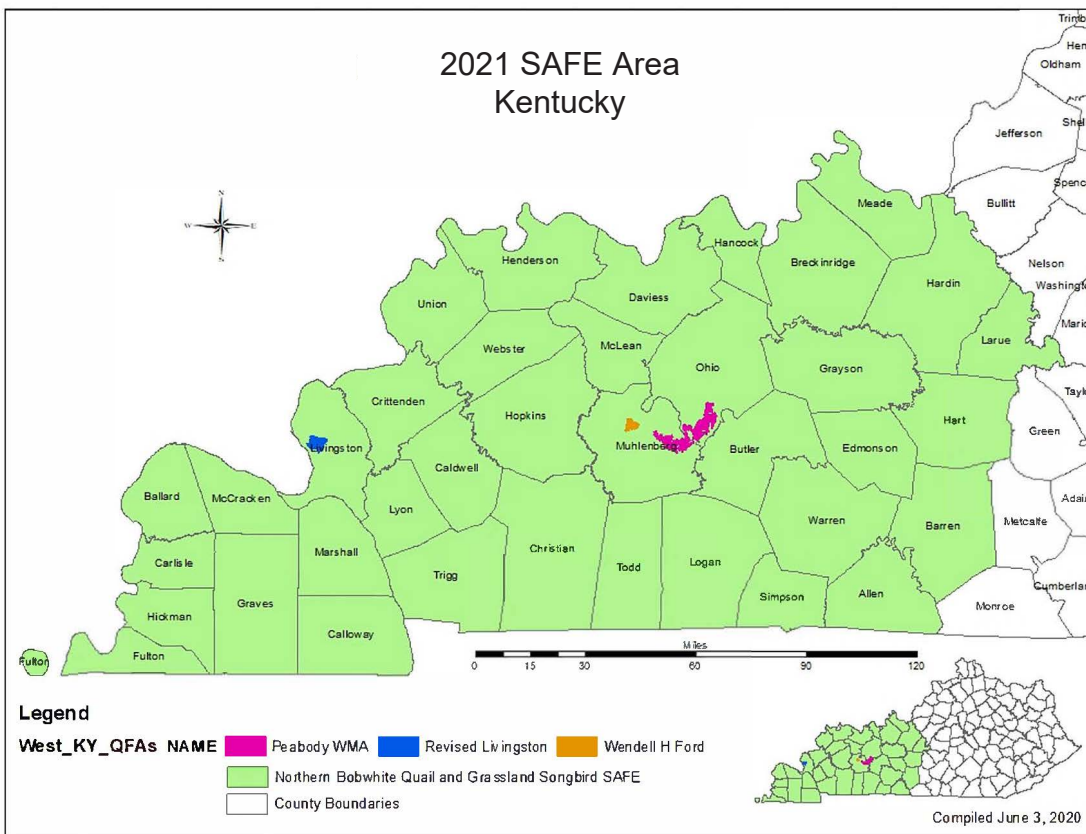
To be eligible to offer land for an approved SAFE practice in Kentucky, producers must:

- meet all CRP producer eligibility requirements
- offer CRP-eligible land within the boundaries of a county in the SAFE area (see map below and list of counties)
- offer eligible land into a SAFE-eligible practice during a general or continuous CRP enrollment period



KY SAFE Counties

- Allen
- Ballard
- Barren
- Breckinridge
- Butler
- Caldwell
- Calloway
- Carlisle
- Christian
- Crittenden
- Daviess
- Edmonson
- Fulton
- Graves
- Grayson
- Hancock
- Hardin
- Hart
- Henderson
- Hickman
- Hopkins
- Larue
- Livingston
- Logan
- Lyon
- Marshall
- McLean
- Meade
- Muhlenberg
- Ohio
- Simpson
- Todd
- Trigg
- Union
- Warren
- Webster



Approved SAFE CRP Practices

To meet the wildlife habitat goals in Kentucky, the following practices will be used for the SAFE Initiative:

CP38E-2: Establishment of Permanent Native Grasses

- available for enrollment during a General CRP sign-up period
- limited to a 10-year contract
- cost-share available to establish the practice

CP38E-4D: Permanent Wildlife Habitat

- available for enrollment during a General CRP sign-up period
- limited to a 10-year contract
- cost-share available to establish the practice

CP38E-12: Wildlife Food Plot

- available for enrollment as a companion practice to a CP38E-4D or CP38E-25 only
- contract length determined by the companion practice

CP38E-25: Rare & Declining Habitat (Primarily Grass)

- available for enrollment during a General CRP sign-up period
- option for a 10 or 15-year contract
- cost-share available to establish the practice

CP38A-33: Habitat Buffers for Upland Birds

- available for enrollment during a Continuous CRP sign-up period
- option for a 10 or 15-year contract
- cost-share available to establish the practice
- SIP/PIP payments may be available

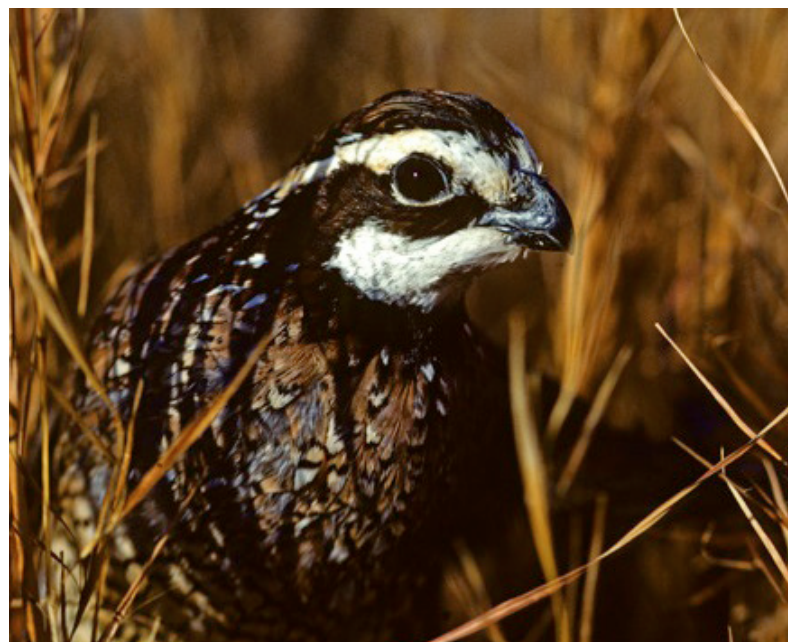
CP38E-42: Pollinator Habitat

- available for enrollment during a General CRP sign-up period
- limited to a 10-year contract
- cost-share available to establish the practice

Financial Benefits

- 10-15 years of annual rental payments, depending on contract length.
- Payments of up to 50% cost-share to establish the practice.
- Practice eligible to be enrolled through a Continuous CRP enrollment may also receive
 - a Sign-up Incentive Payment (SIP) equal to 32.5% of the first full year's annual rental payment; and
 - a 5% Practice Incentive Payment (PIP)

Producers offering land into SAFE during a General CRP sign-up will receive additional points for the ranking process, increasing the chance of acceptance for enrollment.



More Information

For more information about CRP and the KY Northern Bobwhite Quail and Grassland Songbird SAFE Initiative, contact your local service center and USDA Farm Service Agency office: farmers.gov/service-locator.