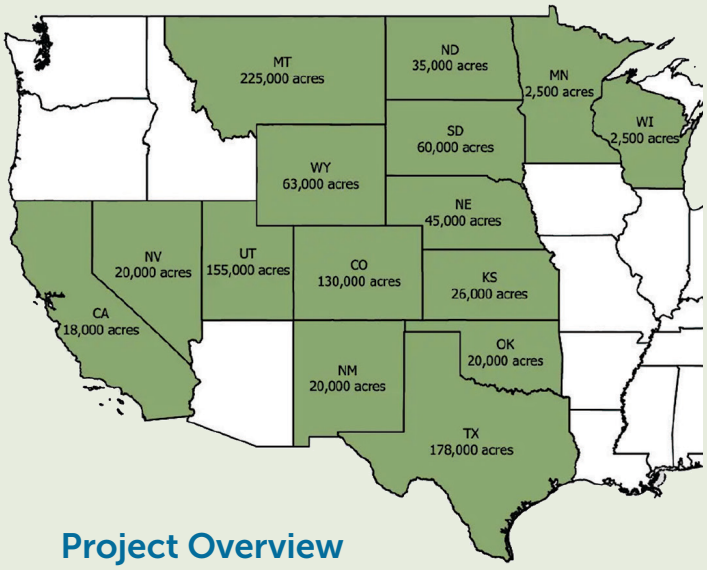
Grassland Resilience and Conservation Initiative

Enroll your ranch to conserve grassland habitat while improving your grazing management.



Sand County Foundation is proud to be part of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation's Grassland Resilience and Conservation Initiative. This landmark conservation effort will advance conservation practices across America's imperiled grasslands that provide vital wildlife habitat and other environmental benefits. This work focuses on rangeland conservation practices that can improve soil health, support wildlife habitat, and strengthen the resilience of working ranchland.



Project Overview

Sand County Foundation aims to expand voluntary conservation efforts by working with cattle ranchers across key regions of the Midwest, Great Plains, and westward. Our goal is to implement conservation strategies on one million additional acres.

Cattle ranchers will receive cost-share to support both shovel-ready plans and the build-out of new conservation projects, streamlining paperwork through coordinated "batched" applications.

Program enrollment is now open on a first-come, first-served basis!

Sand County Foundation will provide financial assistance, in addition to technical support to implement an enhanced grazing plan or apply to Farm Bill, state-based, or local district programs.

Conservation practices include but are not limited to: grazing infrastructure improvement such as virtual fencing, low-tech stream restoration, rotational grazing, prescribed burning, invasive species and brush management, grassland reseeding, and herbaceous weed control.

Financial Assistance

Program Enrollment Payments

- One-Time $2,500 Sign-Up Bonus
- $2 per Eligible Acre per Agreement Year (up to 5 years)

Conservation Practice Cost-Share

Maximum cost-share payment is $200,000 per ranch.

- If you have a conservation practice already approved by NRCS but not yet implemented, Sand County Foundation will fill the implementation gap to reach 100% of NRCS practice scenario cost for your state.
- If you do not have public cost-share, we can pay up to 40% of the NRCS practice scenario cost for your state.

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