

# More Top 10

## Conservation Programs at Work

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**11 Grazing Lands Conservation Initiative (GLCI):** Utah GLCI provides funding (up to \$4,000, based on availability) for demonstration projects to encourage innovative practices on private grazing lands that: 1) improve and sustain plant health and forage productivity; 2) improve water quality and quantity; 3) properly manage forage harvest to protect the soil and conserve wildlife habitat. This program is administered by the Utah Grazingland Network.

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**12 Utah Division of Water Quality State Revolving Fund (SRF):** The Utah SRF program is a \$1 million revolving loan fund that provides zero interest loans for projects with water quality benefits. Eligible projects include those that reduce untreated runoff, improve critical aquatic habitat, improve ground water quality and watershed management, or other water quality improvements. The program is administered by the Utah Division of Water Quality.

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**13 Partners for Fish and Wildlife:** Partners for Fish and Wildlife provides cost-share dollars to farmers and ranchers interested in increasing production while improving wildlife habitat. This private lands program provides funding through cost-share agreements for 10-30 years for both uplands and wetlands. Projects can include fencing, water development, re-establishment of riparian habitat, installation of water control structures and others. Partners for Fish and Wildlife is administered by U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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**14 Continuous CRP Sign-up:** The continuous CRP Sign-up, a federal Farm Bill program, helps landowners install conservation buffers along streams and waterways. The program applies to cropland, as well as overgrazed, eroded pasture along streams, lakes and wetlands. The program offers cost-sharing for conservation practice installation and annual rental payment. The program is administered by USDA FSA.

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**15 PL-566 Watershed Protection Program:** This federal program provides cost-share funds for land treatment measures to develop and conserve soil, water, woodlands, wildlife, energy and recreation resources on the land. Structural measures for flood prevention, recreation facilities and water quality improvements can be implemented on a watershed basis working with local and state agencies in small watersheds. The program is administered by the USDA NRCS.

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**16 Forest Land Enhancement Program (FLEP):** The Forest Land Enhancement Program assists private land owners by providing cost-share funding, technical assistance and education to improve the health and productivity of their forest lands. To be eligible for cost-share assistance, a landowner must agree to develop and implement for not less than 10 years an approved management plan. The program is administered by the Utah Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands.

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