ACEP Introduction
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ACEP – What is a Conservation Easement?

Conservation Easement
Power invested in a qualified conservation organization or government to constrain the exercise of rights otherwise held by a landowner so as to achieve certain conservation purposes.
Conservation Easement History via Farm Bill

- 1985 – Food Security Act
- 1990 – Food, Agriculture Conservation and Tract Act
- 1996 – Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act
- 2002 – Farm Security and Rural Investment Act
- 2008 – Food Conservation and Energy Act
- 2014 – Agriculture Act of 2014
- 2018 – Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018
- 2023 - TBD
ACEP – Currently

ALE & GSS
Protect the long-term viability of working lands from non-agricultural uses.

WRE & WREP
Provide habitat for fish, migratory birds and wildlife, improve water quality, reduce flooding, and recharge groundwater.
ACEP in Nebraska

Current Nebraska NRCS Operations & Area Easement Teams

West Area
- Brian Dieker - Area Easement Specialist
- North Platte Area Office
- Stephen Smith - Game and Parks
- North Platte Area Office

State Office
- Bryan Euse - ACEE Easement Restoration Specialist
- Shawn McVey - Easement Restoration Specialist
- Thomas Schrieff - ACEE Easement Restoration Specialist

Central Area
- Vacant - Area Easement Specialist
- Restoration Monitoring
- Knob Schrieff - Area Easement Specialist
- Restoration Monitoring
- Michelle Staffin - Program Assistant
- Grand Island Area Office
- Krystal Church - Partner Habitat Specialist

East Area
- David Richtmeier - Area Easement Specialist
- Columbus Field Office
- Eno Hopp - Area Easement Specialist
- Syracuse Field Office
- Theresa Snydala - Easement Biologist
- Bloomfield Field Office
- Don Duty - ACEE Easement Employee
- Blair Field Office

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Who Works on Easements
- Landowner
- Appraiser
- Surveyor
- Realty Specialists
- Financial Mgmt
- Title Company
- Attorney (OGC)
- Internal Controls
- Wildlife Organizations and Agencies