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**SIGN-UP FOR NEW AWEP PROJECT FUNDING BEFORE MAY 17**

NRCS Chief Dave White announced the availability of \$61.2 million in financial assistance for Agricultural Water Enhancement Program (AWEP) projects. The aim is to help producers conserve surface and ground water and improve water quality on agricultural lands. Of the total amount, \$40.4 million will be made available to AWEP partners whose projects were approved during last fiscal year and approximately \$20.7 million will be available for new project proposals, which must be submitted before May 17.

For more information about this program and a link to the RFP, visit <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/AWEP/>. NRCS State Conservationist Sylvia Gillen encourages each field office to get the word out about these opportunities to producers and other key partners, such as canal companies. She also recommends that if grant writing assistance or meeting facilitation is needed, contact your local RC&D Council.

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