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## USDA begins to survey farmers' conservation estimates in 2024

**SACRAMENTO, CA – July 3, 2024** – As the 2024 crop season moves forward, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) will contact producers nationwide to determine the effects of conservation on working lands.

“The USDA’s Conservation Effects Assessment Project is an expanded effort to help the farming community better understand the environmental impacts of conservation practices,” said Gary R. Keough, NASS Pacific Regional Director. “CEAP is vital to help determine what resources farmers may need to further protect the soil, water and related resources in their area.” NASS representatives will visit farms between August 2024 and February 2025 to collect information such as on-farm production practices; chemical, fertilizer and manure applications; integrated pest management activities; and installed conservation practices.

USDA NASS safeguards the privacy of all respondents. The information provided will be used for statistical purposes only. In accordance with federal law, responses will be kept confidential and will not be disclosed in identifiable form.

The survey data will be published in the Crop Production report in 2025. This and all other NASS reports are available online at [www.nass.usda.gov/Publications](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Publications). For more information, call the NASS Pacific Regional Field Office at 1-800-851-1127.

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