

**Conservation Federation of Missouri
2013 Resolutions**

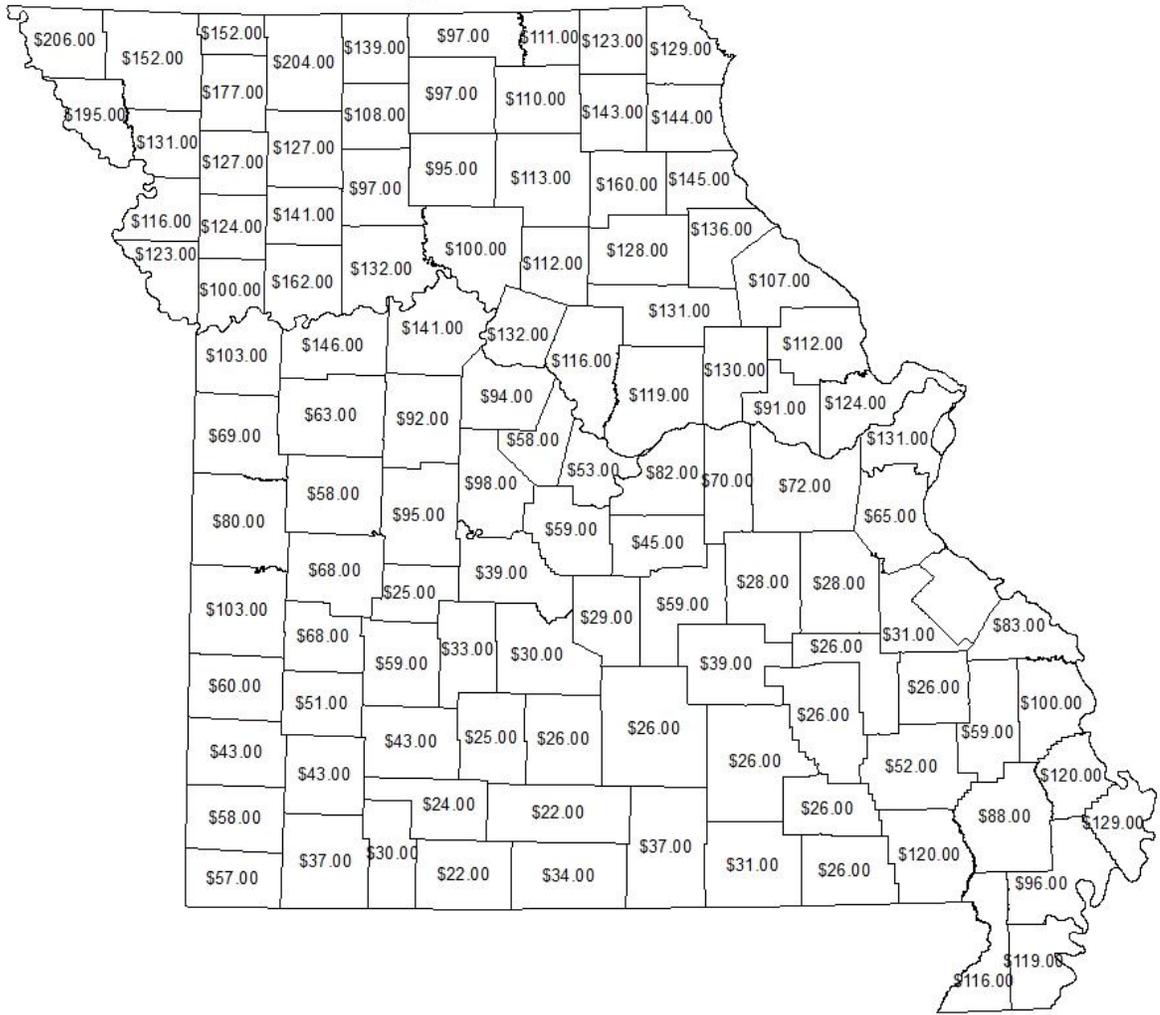
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Have the Missouri Farm Service Agency (FSA) come up with a different way to determine Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) Soil Rental Rates

1 **WHEREAS**, The Conservation Reserve Program is a fundamental building block for Conservation
2 efforts state wide; and,
3 **WHEREAS**, Without the CRP Program we would not have been able to create 1.1 million
4 acres of wildlife habitat in the state of Missouri; and,
5 **WHEREAS**, The CRP soil rental rates are currently set by the Agriculture Census Survey; and,
6 **WHEREAS**, Due to the economic state of affairs the CRP Program is not currently competitive
7 statewide with cash rental rates; and,
8 **WHEREAS**, The Agriculture Census Survey has produced biased cash rental rates depending on
9 the county in Missouri, See attached Maps; and,
10 **WHEREAS**, It is unclear the sample size that came up with these soil rental rate numbers per
11 county; and,
12 **WHEREAS**, Even in improved economic conditions for row crop farmers, ½ of the State of
13 Missouri's Soil Rental Rates went down (see attached map); and,
14 **WHEREAS**, There is a 10 year soil rental rate inflation factor that should be incorporated in the
15 CPR soil rental rate: now, therefore, be it
16 **RESOLVED**, That the Conservation Federation of Missouri assembled at the Capitol Plaza Hotel,
17 Jefferson City MO, this 24th day of February, 2013, contacts the Missouri Farm Service Agency (FSA)
18 to discuss changing the way the CRP rental rates are set by FSA. This could include a scientifically
19 based survey of farmers from each county to determine the cash rental rate in that county. From there,
20 the State FSA could set up a Soil Rental Rate based on this survey that includes the 10 year inflation
21 factor that is currently not being considered in over half of the state of Missouri.

Average 2013 CRP Soil Rental Rates



Monetary Increase and (Decrease) in Average 2013 CRP Soil Rental Rates

