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Ray Evans 2009 MAFWA Report

The Association in cooperation with NRCS is working to implement Conservation Effect Assessment Project (CEAP) Wildlife, a USDA effort to measure Farm Bill conservation provision outcomes affecting wildlife.

We are working the state universities, USGS, and anyone else, monitoring conservation provision on wildlife.

The '08 Farm Bill specifically mentions the State Wildlife Action Plan (SWAP) as possible users of conservation provision. Jen Mock-Schaffer of the Association has just completed a survey of states and their use of Farm Bill Programs to achieve SWAP objective. We will then use this information to inform State Wildlife Action Plan Coordinators (and others) of Fish and Wildlife funding opportunities in the Farm Bill.

As hard as it is to believe, many states are leaving dollars in Farm Bill money on the table while they pursue other less certain paths of dollars to fund SWAPs.

Their specific use of Farm Bill dollars to achieve SWAP objectives will be shared next week at the Western and at the end of July to the first national meeting of SWAP coordinators.

