

## **Central Platte NRD Phragmites Control Cost Share Program**

### **Purpose of Cost Share Practice:**

*This program is designed for chemical control of hydrophytic herbaceous (not trees) noxious weed species (Ex. phragmites, purple loosestrife) on riparian areas adjacent to the Platte River, tributaries and water bodies district wide.*

75% cost share up to \$2,000 per landowner/operator per contract.

This program will be used for the landowners/entities/etc. that do not qualify for EQIP/WHIP or were unable to get funding due to lack of funds.

Applications can be in the landowner or operators name. If the application is in the operator's name, the landowner must sign off for the operator to pursue practice on their ground.

We will use the same average costs as EQIP/WHIP uses and cost share at a 75% rate.

Applications will be approved as they are received each month.

NRCS will compile a plan for the landowner.

Acres that were treated by the state/weed management associations in the last 2 years are not eligible, as the contractor that treated those acres issued a 3-year guarantee.

Contracts last for 3 years as they spray in year 1, leave it alone in year 2 and then any necessary treatment in year 3. Follow up treatment may or may not be required or eligible for cost share, depending upon the herbicide used and guarantees associated with the initial treatment.

US Citizenship form must accompany application.