



The Saskatchewan Stock Growers Association (SSGA) in partnership with the South of the Divide Conservation Action Program Inc. (SODCAP Inc.) have secured funding to implement *Results-Based Conservation Agreements* with producers.

Managing operations in a sustainable manner that provides environmental benefits to all of society.

Results-Based Conservation Agreements are signed with producers that identify and describe specific habitat results. In exchange for achieving the desired habitat targets, producers are rewarded with financial incentives.

Habitat assessments, reviews, and payments to producers will occur on an annual basis. Agreements are designed to encourage producers to make management decisions that support species at risk habitat.

During a drought, incentives are designed to encourage habitat targets are met with additional payments based on individual drought preparedness plans.



Results are more than livestock and forage production objectives. Agreements are structured so that the producer is rewarded financially upon achieving the habitat results. If habitat goals are **not** met, a payment is **not** triggered.

Management decisions must be within a producer's capability. Decisions on range and livestock management, forage production, land accessibility, predator control, and agricultural development are all examples of those within a producer's capability. Decisions on industrial development, road construction, prevention of disease spread, or artificial rearing of species are examples of those outside of the capability of a producer.

Producers who own or manage **candidate critical habitat** for *species at risk* in southwest Saskatchewan are eligible to sign Results Based Conservation Agreements.

Habitat attributes must be achievable within the site potential based on soils, hydrology and climate or other bio-physical attributes.

Habitat attributes are based on the best available science and current state of knowledge.

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