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## A Glance at Fiscal Year 2002 and 2003 Incentives for Private Land Conservation

The mission of the Natural Resources Conservation Service is to provide leadership in a partnership effort to help people conserve, improve, and sustain our natural resources and environment. Part of how we accomplish this is through our conservation programs.

### Farm and Ranch Land Protection Program (FRPP)

#### 2002 Summary of FRPP Financial Assistance to New Hampshire

FRPP proposals received:	\$2.2 Million
FRPP funding:	\$1.8 Million
FRPP contracts funded:	6
FRPP acres protected:	1,180

#### 2003 Summary of FRPP Financial Assistance to New Hampshire

FRPP financial assistance:	\$1,878,358
FRPP contracts funded:	8
FRPP acres protected:	428.3

### Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)

#### 2002 Summary of EQIP Financial Assistance to New Hampshire

EQIP funding requested:	\$1,887,469
EQIP financial assistance:	\$1,042,559
Unmet requests:	\$ 844,910
EQIP contracts funded:	44

#### 2003 Summary of EQIP Financial Assistance to New Hampshire

EQIP financial assistance:	\$2,554,285
EQIP contracts funded:	113

### Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP)

#### 2002 Summary of WRP Financial Assistance to New Hampshire

WRP financial assistance:	\$500,000
WRP contracts funded:	1

#### 2003 Summary of WRP Financial Assistance to New Hampshire

WRP financial assistance:	\$314,600
WRP contracts funded:	6

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## **Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (WHIP)**

### **2002 Summary of WHIP Financial Assistance to New Hampshire**

WHIP funding requests:	\$420,496
WHIP financial assistance:	\$162,000
WHIP contracts funded:	16
Unmet requests:	\$258,496

### **2003 Summary of WHIP Financial Assistance to New Hampshire**

WHIP funding requests:	\$348,000
WHIP applications approved:	65
WHIP contracts funded:	61
Unmet requests:	\$ 50,381

## **Grassland Reserve Program (GRP)**

GRP is a voluntary program offering landowners the opportunity to protect, restore, and enhance grasslands on their property.

### **2002 No Funding Available**

### **2003 Summary of GRP Financial Assistance to New Hampshire**

GRP applications received:	5
GRP applications funded:	2
Initial allocation:	\$57,000.00
Second allocation:	4,000.00
Third allocation:	<u>7,500.00</u>
<b>Total FY 2003</b>	<b>\$68,500.00</b>
One rental agreement	
One permanent easement	

## **Agricultural Management Assistance Program (AMA)**

AMA helps to address some of the unmet conservation need identified in other programs, and gives other producers an opportunity to apply for assistance. The program is similar to EQIP, but still has not adequately met the need identified by local work group proposals.

### **2002 Summary of AMA Financial Assistance to New Hampshire**

AMA funding requests:	\$514,194
AMA financial assistance:	\$100,600
AMA contracts funded:	1
Unmet requests:	\$413,594

### **2003 No Funding Available**

## **Forestry Incentives Program (FIP)**

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### **2002 Summary of FIP Financial Assistance to New Hampshire**

FIP funding requests:	\$48,200
FIP funding assistance:	\$19,500
FIP contracts funded:	26
Unmet requests:	\$28,700

### **2003 No Funding Available**

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