

# Legal Notice

Dimmitt ISD, as fiscal agent for the Castro County Comprehensive Education SSA, maintains inactive special education eligibility records for a period of five years. After that time, only directory information will be on file. Records inactivated in 2009 will be destroyed after February 23, 2015. Eligibility records will be maintained if requested in writing.

Please address requests for maintenance of records to:

**Kay Gfeller, Director of Special Education  
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806-647-3103**

**El Distrito Escolar Independiente de Dimmitt como agente fiscal para la Educación Comprensiva del Condado de Castro Servicio de Arreglo Compartido mantiene los archivos inactivos de elegibilidad de educación especial por un período de cinco años. Después de ese tiempo sólo información del directorio será guardado. Los archivos inactivados en el año 2009 serán destruidos después del 23 de febrero de 2015. Se mantendrán los archivos de elegibilidad si se pide por escrito.**

**Favor de dirigir su demanda para el mantenimiento de archivos a:**

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## USDA Creates More Bird Habitat Opportunities On Irrigated Farmland

WASHINGTON, Jan 26, 2015 - U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) Administrator Val Dolcini today announced that the Conservation Reserve Program now will encourage more bird habitats to be established in irrigated farmland regions.

Declines in upland bird populations, such as the northern bobwhite, pheasant, and prairie

chicken, led to the creation of new Conservation Reserve Program features to help restore habitats for these species in these agricultural areas. Since the program's creation in 2004, more than 240,000 acres of marginal cropland has been converted to native grasslands, spurring an increase in upland bird populations.

In recent years, however, applications for this type of habi-

tat creation have slowed. To encourage more participation, USDA's new policy focuses on farmland with center-pivot irrigation systems where there are circular areas of cropland with patches of land beyond the reach of irrigation. Until now, these patches - known as pivot corners - were only eligible for habitat creation when connected by a linear strip of grassland also enrolled in the program. The new policy allows producers interested in habitat creation to use disconnected pivot corners to help increase the population of upland birds.

"This is how creative thinking can strengthen the intersection of both agriculture and conservation," said Dolcini. "By removing the program's requirement for connecting strips, we believe more participants will convert more pivot corners into habitat. Studies suggest that the shapes of these patches, and their proximity to each other, create an attractive environment for the birds, even without the connecting strips."

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