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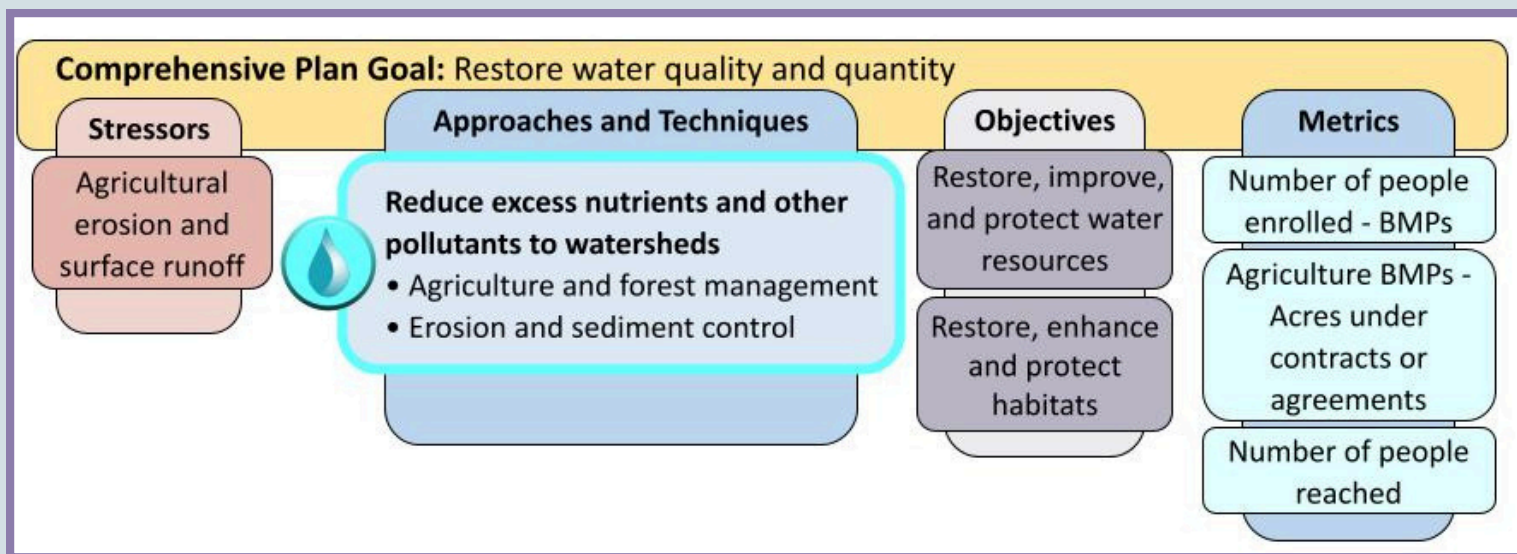
Gulf Coast Conservation Reserve Program (Amending Existing Program)

The *Gulf Coast Conservation Reserve Program (GCCRP)* was established through the Council's 2015 Initial FPL and continued in FPL 3b for the purpose of protecting and restoring critical wildlife habitat and improving water quality through the development of conservation and restoration plans. This amendment would add funding for additional activities in Texas and Alabama.

The GCCRP activities will allow for conservation planning on private lands including but not limited to ecosystem restoration by conducting soil and water conservation for the benefit of water quality to priority bays and estuaries. This program will serve to assist willing private landowners with implementing conservation measures that improve water and wildlife habitat conditions. This program will build upon the restoration and conservation progress made through the previous FPL funding, and support the primary Comprehensive Plan goal to restore water quality and quantity. The program duration is 4 years.

Program at a Glance

The *Gulf Coast Conservation Reserve Program* applies Planning Framework approaches and techniques to support Comprehensive Plan goals and objectives. In support of the primary objective, to *Restore, improve, and protect water resources*, and secondary objective, to *Restore, enhance, and protect habitats*, stressors such as agricultural erosion and surface runoff will be addressed using the *Agriculture and forest management* technique and the *Erosion and Sediment Control* technique. Success using these techniques to accomplish the primary and secondary objectives may be tracked using acres under BMP agreements as a metric. The number of people reached and number of people enrolled may also be used as metrics of project success.



Draft FPL 2026 Public Comment Period:

October 15 - 11:59 PM MT November 14, 2025

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