**Section 1515.5 Definitions**

"100-year Floodplain" means an area adjacent to a body of water that has a 1% chance of being flooded in a given year, as identified by the Federal Emergency Management Agency on the flood insurance rate map as a special flood hazard area.

"Additional Acres" means acres enrolled in an Illinois CREP Grant of Conservation Right and Easement that were not enrolled in the original Federal CREP contract that further the purposes of Federal CREP and the goals of Illinois CREP to improve water quality and fish and wildlife habitat, and create or expand a corridor for the protection of fish and wildlife.

"Federal CREP" means FSA's Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (a subprogram of Federal CRP), a land conservation program.

"Federal CRP" means FSA's Conservation Reserve Program, a land conservation program.

"FSA" means the United States Department of Agriculture, Farm Service Agency.

"Illinois CREP Grant of Conservation Right and Easement Agreement" means a legally binding written agreement that specifies the conservation rights and the easement rights granted to IDNR or the applicable SWCD from the Landowner to enroll acreage into Illinois CREP.

"IDNR" means the Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

"Illinois Conservation Management Plan" means the document developed by IDNR and the Landowner that documents current conditions and sets forth conservation management strategies and actions on enrolled Illinois CREP Acreage.

"Illinois CREP" means the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program, a State of Illinois land conservation program administered by IDNR.

"Illinois CREP Acreage" means the cumulative acres encumbered by an Illinois CREP Grant of Conservation Right and Easement.

"Illinois River Watershed" means the geographic area along the Illinois River (see Exhibit A).

"Kaskaskia River Watershed" means the geographic area along the Kaskaskia River (see Exhibit A).

"Landowner" means the applicant or grantor enrolling land in Illinois CREP. The Landowner can be a person, trust, corporation, or any other legal entity that has authority to encumber land eligible for Illinois CREP.

"SWCD" means a Soil and Water Conservation District, a county-based government entity in Illinois. (See list of participating SWCDs on the IDNR CREP website.)

"Technical Review Team" means the Illinois CREP advisory team, comprised of staff from divisions of IDNR.

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