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Ranch Systems and Viability Planning (RSVP) Network



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About RSVP



RSVP is a program of the World Wildlife Fund's Sustainable Ranching Initiative. The goal of RSVP is to assist livestock producers located in the Northern Great Plains of Montana, South Dakota, and Nebraska to create and implement ranch and grazing management systems that benefit both the ranch's bottom line and our grassland ecosystem. The program is meant to be flexible and adaptable to each producers' needs and goals.

RSVP was created to support ranchers seeking to improve grazing management, increase education and skills related to ranch and grass management, and network with other producers on similar paths.

WWF provides

- Scholarships for educational opportunities
- Bird, soil, water, and vegetation monitoring
- 50% cost-share for ranch improvements
- Facilitation of peer-to-peer learning network

Ranch agrees to

- No conversion of grasslands for 10 years
- Written grazing management plan
- Monitoring (soil, water infiltration, vegetation, bird species & diversity)
- Complete education requirements in four main categories: monitoring and adaptive management, ranching for wildlife, financial planning, grazing management



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The primary goal of the program is to conserve high quality grasslands at the scale required to sustain biodiversity and rural communities.

