Proposal to Enroll Certain Wildlife Management Areas into a Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances (CCAA) for the Lesser Prairie Chicken and Dunes Sagebrush Lizard

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Need for Department inclusion in a CCAA

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 Lesser Prairie Chicken (LPC) is a candidate for listing under the Endangered Species Act (ESA)

- The department would agree to apply certain approved conservation practices on its lands
- For the above agreement US Fish and Wildlife Service provides the Department regulatory certainty through assurances in regards to land use restrictions if the bird gets listed under the ESA

Requirements if NMDGF enters into the CCAA

 Fund and implement conservation practices that reduce or eliminate threats to LPC



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