# CLM7177 - NWRS Conservation Easements

**Course Code**: CLM7177  
**Course Title**: NWRS Conservation Easements  
**Description**: A significant portion of the wildlife habitat in the continental United States is privately owned. Conservation easements are a valuable tool for protecting working landscapes and habitat values on private land for our trust resources. This one-week course provides an overview of the planning, acquisition, management, and enforcement of conservation easements. Emphasis is on easements the Service acquires as a part of the National Wildlife Refuge System (NWRS). Course goals include increasing consistency, and building understanding and cooperation among Service personnel involved in conservation easements.

**OBJECTIVES:**

Upon completion of this course, you will be able to:

- Determine if a conservation easement is the appropriate tool;
- Make strategic, science driven, collaborative and adaptive choices;
- Engage with the potential sellers, the community and potential partners;
- Acquire conservation easements in accordance with Service policy;
- Develop and maintain working relationships with landowners/communities;
- Effectively manage conservation easements and their uses; and
- Ensure the United States’ interests in the land are protected.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**

Project leaders, refuge managers, planners, realty specialists, law enforcement officers and all others who play a role in the planning, acquisition, management and enforcement of NWRS conservation easements.

**Delivery Method**: Instructor Led  
**Non-FWS Fee**: $995.00  
**Instructional Hours**: 36  
**Credits/CEUs**: 3.0  
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**Curriculum Category**: Refuge Land Policy  
**Registration Link**: Register in DOI Talent  
**DOI TALENT Course Type**: ILT  
**College Credit Name**:  
**College Credit Value**: 2

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