

Ranking Pool Report

Ranking Pool Illinois EQIP 2026

Program EQIP

Pool Status Active

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Existing Practice Included No

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National Pool No

Include States IL (Admin)

Land Uses and Modifiers

Land Use	Grazed	Wildlife	Irrigated	Hayed	Drained	Organic	Water Feature	Protected	Urban	Aquaculture
Associated Ag Land	--	--	--	--	N/A	--	--	--	--	--
Crop	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Farmstead	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	--	--	--	--	--
Forest	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	--	--	--	--	--
Pasture	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Water	N/A	--	N/A	N/A	N/A	--	--	--	--	--

Resource Concern Categories

Categories			
Category	Min %	Default %	Max %
Air (Air quality emissions)	0	5	100
Animals (Aquatic habitat)	0	5	100
Animals (Livestock production limitation)	0	5	100
Animals (Terrestrial habitat)	0	7	100
Energy (Inefficient energy use)	0	5	100
Plants (Degraded plant condition)	0	5	100
Plants (Fire management)	0	3	100
Plants (Pest pressure)	0	7	100
Soil (Concentrated erosion)	0	10	100
Soil (Soil quality limitations)	0	10	100
Soil (Wind and water erosion)	0	9	100
Water (Field pesticide loss)	0	5	100
Water (Field sediment, nutrient and pathogen loss)	0	8	100
Water (Source water depletion)	0	5	100
Water (Storage and handling of pollutants)	0	5	100

Categories

Category	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water (Weather resilience)	0	6	100

Air (Air quality emissions)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Air Quality (Emissions of airborne reactive nitrogen)	0	20	100
Air Quality (Emissions of greenhouse gases - GHGs)	0	20	100
Air Quality (Emissions of ozone precursors)	0	20	100
Air Quality (Emissions of particulate matter (PM) and PM precursors)	0	20	100
Air Quality (Objectionable odor)	0	20	100

Animals (Aquatic habitat)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Aquatic Habitat (Aquatic habitat for fish and other organisms)	0	50	100
Aquatic Habitat (Elevated water temperature)	0	50	100

Animals (Livestock production limitation)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Livestock Health (Feed and forage balance)	0	35	100
Livestock Health (Inadequate livestock shelter)	0	30	100
Livestock Health (Inadequate livestock water quantity, quality and distribution)	0	35	100

Animals (Terrestrial habitat)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Terrestrial Habitat (Terrestrial habitat for wildlife and invertebrates)	0	100	100

Energy (Inefficient energy use)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Energy Use (Energy efficiency of equipment and facilities)	0	50	100
Energy Use (Energy efficiency of farming/ranching practices and field operations)	0	50	100

Plants (Degraded plant condition)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Plant Health (Plant productivity and health)	0	50	100
Plant Health (Plant structure and composition)	0	50	100

Plants (Fire management)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Wildfire Hazard (Wildfire hazard from biomass accumulation)	0	100	100

Plants (Pest pressure)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Plant Health (Plant pest pressure)	0	100	100

Soil (Concentrated erosion)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Soil Erosion (Bank erosion from streams, shorelines or water conveyance channels)	0	30	100
Soil Erosion (Classic gully erosion)	0	35	100
Soil Erosion (Ephemeral gully erosion)	0	35	100

Soil (Soil quality limitations)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Soil Health (Aggregate instability)	0	25	100
Soil Health (Compaction)	0	25	100
Soil Health (Concentration of salts or other chemicals)	0	--	100
Soil Health (Organic matter depletion)	0	25	100
Soil Health (Soil organism habitat loss or degradation)	0	25	100
Soil Health (Subsidence)	0	--	100

Soil (Wind and water erosion)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Soil Erosion (Sheet and rill erosion)	0	100	100
Soil Erosion (Wind erosion)	0	--	100

Water (Field pesticide loss)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water Quality (Pesticides transported to groundwater)	0	50	100
Water Quality (Pesticides transported to surface water)	0	50	100

Water (Field sediment, nutrient and pathogen loss)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water Quality (Nutrients transported to groundwater)	0	20	100
Water Quality (Nutrients transported to surface water)	0	20	100

Water (Field sediment, nutrient and pathogen loss)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water Quality (Pathogens and chemicals from manure, biosolids or compost applications transported to groundwater)	0	20	100
Water Quality (Pathogens and chemicals from manure, biosolids or compost applications transported to surface water)	0	20	100
Water Quality (Sediment transported to surface water)	0	20	100

Water (Source water depletion)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water Quantity (Groundwater depletion)	0	25	100
Water Quantity (Inefficient irrigation water use)	0	50	100
Water Quantity (Surface water depletion)	0	25	100

Water (Storage and handling of pollutants)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water Quality (Nutrients transported to groundwater)	0	25	100
Water Quality (Nutrients transported to surface water)	0	25	100
Water Quality (Petroleum, heavy metals and other pollutants transported to groundwater)	0	25	100
Water Quality (Petroleum, heavy metals and other pollutants transported to surface water)	0	25	100

Water (Weather resilience)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water Quantity (Drifted snow)	0	--	100
Water Quantity (Naturally available moisture use)	0	30	100
Water Quantity (Ponding and flooding)	0	35	100
Water Quantity (Seasonal high water table)	0	35	100
Water Quantity (Seeps)	0	--	100

Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
CNMP Design and Implementation Activity	101	00N	Activities
Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan	102	00N	Activities
Forest Management Plan	106	00N	Activities
Grazing Management Plan	110	00N	Activities
Soil Health Management Plan	116	00N	Activities
Agricultural Energy Design	120	00N	Activities

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
Conservation Plan Supporting Organic Transition	138	00N	Activities
Transition to Organic Design	140	00N	Activities
Fish and Wildlife Habitat Design	144	00N	Activities
Pollinator Habitat Design	148	00N	Activities
Nutrient Management Design and Implementation Activity	157	00N	Activities
Feed Management Design	158	00N	Activities
Grazing Management Design	159	00N	Activities
Prescribed Burning Design	160	00N	Activities
Pest Management Conservation System Design	161	00N	Activities
Soil Health Management System Design	162	00N	Activities
Irrigation Water Management Design	163	00N	Activities
Improved Management of Drainage Water Design	164	00N	Activities
Forest Management Practice Design	165	00N	Activities
Conservation Plan	199	00N	Activities
Edge-of-Field Water Quality Monitoring-Data Collection and Evaluation	201	00N	Activities
Edge-of-Field Water Quality Monitoring-System Installation	202	00N	Activities
Adaptive Management for Soil Health	204	00N	Activities
Feed and Forage Analysis	206	00N	Activities
Site Assessment and Soil Testing for Contaminants Activity	207	00N	Activities
PFAS Testing in Water or Soil	209	00N	Activities
Soil Health Testing	216	00N	Activities
Soil and Source Testing for Nutrient Management	217	00N	Activities
Carbon Sequestration and Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Assessment	218	00N	Activities
Prescribed Grazing Conservation Evaluation and Monitoring Activity	219	00N	Activities
Soil Organic Carbon Stock Monitoring	221	00N	Activities
Indigenous Stewardship Methods Evaluation	222	00N	Activities
Forest Management Assessment	223	00N	Activities
Aquifer Flow Test	224	00N	Activities
Waste Facility Site Suitability and Feasibility Assessment	226	00N	Activities
Evaluation of Existing Waste Storage Facility Components	227	00N	Activities
Agricultural Energy Assessment	228	00N	Activities
Alley Cropping	311	00N	Conservation Practices
Waste Storage Facility	313	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Brush Management	314	00N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Herbaceous Weed Treatment	315	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
Animal Mortality Facility	316	00N, 01N, 02N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Composting Facility	317	00N, 01N, 03N	Conservation Practices
High Tunnel System	325	00N	Conservation Practices
Conservation Cover	327	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Conservation Crop Rotation	328	00N, 03N, 04N	Conservation Practices
Residue and Tillage Management, No Till	329	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Contour Farming	330	00N	Conservation Practices
Contour Orchard and Other Perennial Crops	331	00N	Conservation Practices
Contour Buffer Strips	332	00N	Conservation Practices
Amending Soil Properties with Gypsum Products	333	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Soil Carbon Amendment	336	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Prescribed Burning	338	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Cover Crop	340	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Critical Area Planting	342	00N	Conservation Practices
Residue and Tillage Management, Reduced Till	345	00N	Conservation Practices
Sediment Basin	350	00N	Conservation Practices
Well Decommissioning	351	00N	Conservation Practices
Controlling Existing Flowing Well	352	00N	Conservation Practices
Dike and Levee	356	00N	Conservation Practices
Waste Treatment Lagoon	359	00N	Conservation Practices
Waste Facility Closure	360	00N	Conservation Practices
Diversion	362	00N, 01N, 02N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Anaerobic Digester	366	00N	Conservation Practices
Roofs and Covers	367	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Energy Efficient Agricultural Operation	374	00N, 01N, 02N, 03N, 04N, 05N, 06N	Conservation Practices
Pond	378	00N	Conservation Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment and Renovation	380	00N	Conservation Practices
Silvopasture	381	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Fence	382	00N, 03N, 04N	Conservation Practices
Woody Residue Treatment	384	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Field Border	386	00N	Conservation Practices
Riparian Herbaceous Cover	390	00N, 01N, 02N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Riparian Forest Buffer	391	00N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Filter Strip	393	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Firebreak	394	00N	Conservation Practices
Stream Habitat Improvement and Management	395	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Aquatic Organism Passage	396	00N	Conservation Practices
Grade Stabilization Structure	410	00N	Conservation Practices
Grassed Waterway	412	00N	Conservation Practices
Wildlife Habitat Planting	420	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Hedgerow Planting	422	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Irrigation Pipeline	430	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Irrigation Reservoir	436	00N	Conservation Practices
Irrigation System, Microirrigation	441	00N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Sprinkler System	442	00N, 02N, 03N, 04N	Conservation Practices
Irrigation System, Surface and Subsurface	443	00N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Irrigation and Drainage Tailwater Recovery	447	00N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Irrigation Water Management	449	00N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Lined Waterway or Outlet	468	00N	Conservation Practices
Access Control	472	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Mulching	484	00N, 02N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Tree/Shrub Site Preparation	490	00N	Conservation Practices
Forage Harvest Management	511	00N, 02N	Conservation Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
Pasture and Hay Planting	512	00N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Livestock Pipeline	516	00N	Conservation Practices
Pond Sealing or Lining, Compacted Soil Treatment	520	00N, 01N, 02N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Pond Sealing or Lining, Geomembrane or Geosynthetic Clay Liner	521	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Pond Sealing or Lining - Concrete	522	00N, 01N, 02N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Grazing Management	528	00N, 02N, 03N, 04N	Conservation Practices
Pumping Plant	533	00N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Drainage Water Management	554	00N, 02N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Roof Runoff Structure	558	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Access Road	560	00N	Conservation Practices
Heavy Use Area Protection	561	00N	Conservation Practices
Stormwater Runoff Control	570	00N	Conservation Practices
Spring Development	574	00N	Conservation Practices
Trails and Walkways	575	00N	Conservation Practices
Stream Crossing	578	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Streambank and Shoreline Protection	580	00N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Stripcropping	585	00N	Conservation Practices
Structure for Water Control	587	00N	Conservation Practices
Nutrient Management	590	00N, 06N, 07N, 08N	Conservation Practices
Pest Management Conservation System	595	00N, 05N, 06N, 07N	Conservation Practices
Terrace	600	00N	Conservation Practices
Herbaceous Wind Barriers	603	00N	Conservation Practices
Saturated Buffer	604	00N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Denitrifying Bioreactor	605	00N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Subsurface Drain	606	00N	Conservation Practices
Tree/Shrub Establishment	612	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Watering Facility	614	00N	Conservation Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
Underground Outlet	620	00N	Conservation Practices
Phosphorous Removal System	624	00N	Conservation Practices
Vertical Drain	630	00N	Conservation Practices
Waste Separation Facility	632	00N	Conservation Practices
Waste Transfer	634	00N	Conservation Practices
Vegetated Treatment Area	635	00N	Conservation Practices
Water Harvesting Catchment	636	00N	Conservation Practices
Water and Sediment Control Basin	638	00N	Conservation Practices
Water Well	642	00N	Conservation Practices
Restoration of Rare or Declining Natural Communities	643	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management	644	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Upland Wildlife Habitat Management	645	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Seasonal Water Management for Wildlife	646	00N	Conservation Practices
Early Successional Habitat Development-Mgt	647	00N	Conservation Practices
Structures for Wildlife	649	00N	Conservation Practices
Forest Trails and Landings	655	00N	Conservation Practices
Constructed Wetland	656	00N	Conservation Practices
Wetland Restoration	657	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Wetland Creation	658	00N	Conservation Practices
Wetland Enhancement	659	00N	Conservation Practices
Tree-Shrub Pruning	660	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Forest Stand Improvement	666	00N	Conservation Practices
Energy Efficient Lighting System	670	00N, 01N, 02N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Energy Efficient Building Envelope	672	00N, 01N, 02N, 03N, 04N	Conservation Practices
Raised Beds	812	00N	Interim Conservation Practices
Low Tunnel Systems	821	00N	Interim Conservation Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
Organic Management	823	00N	Interim Conservation Practices

Ranking Weights

Factors	Algorithm	Allowable Min	Default	Allowable Max
Vulnerabilities	Default	10	25	40
Planned Practice Effects	Adjustment (D)	15	15	15
Resource Priorities	Default	20	35	60
Program Priorities	Default	5	15	15
Efficiencies	Default	10	10	10

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 An asterisk will be displayed to show that it is a conditional section or conditional question.

Survey: Applicability Questions

Section: Applicability		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Is the planning land unit (PLU) 50% or greater in Illinois?	Yes.	--
	No.	--

Survey: Category Questions

Section: Category		
Question	Answer Choices	Points

Section: Category

Question	Answer Choices	Points
What categories are the applicant applying for?	Beginning Farmer/Rancher (BFR)	--
	Socially Disadvantaged Farmer/Rancher (SDFR)	--
	Cropland	--
	Confinement	--
	Grazing	--
	Forestland	--
	Wildlife	--
	Regenerative Pilot Program	--
	Livestock CPAs and DIAs	--
	Cropland, Organic, and Misc. CPAs and DIAs	--
	Forest CPAs and DIAs	--
	CEMAs	--
	WLFW MOBU - Monarch Butterfly	--
	WLFW NBI - Northern Bobwhite Initiative	--
	MRBI - Clinton Lake	--
	MRBI - Upper Macoupin Creek	--
	MRBI - Vermilion Headwaters	--
	NWQI - Friends Creek	--
	NWQI - Money Creek	--
	NWQI - Panther Creek	--
	Reserved 1	--
	Reserved 2	--
	Reserved 3	--

Survey: Program Questions

Section: General Program Questions

Question	Answer Choices	Points
ALL: Does a planning land unit (PLU) intersect the Source Water Protection watersheds by 75% or greater?	Yes	0
	No	0
ENERGY: Does the applicant have one of the following Agricultural Energy Management Plans (AgEMP) that represents the current site conditions and AgEMP planned practices are in the application? 1) an NRCS approved AgEMP 122, 124, or 128; or 2) an NRCS approved DIA 120.	YES	15
	NO	0

Section: BFR and/or SDFR Program Questions*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
BFR and SDFR: Did the applicant self-certify as a Beginning Farmer/Rancher (BFR) and/or a Socially Disadvantaged Farmer/Rancher (SDFR) on the NRCS-CPA-1200 application?	YES	--
	NO	--
BFR and SDFR: Does the applicant meet the NRCS definition of a veteran farmer or rancher (VFR)?	YES	10
	NO	0
BFR and SDFR: Did the applicant participate in the CRP Transition Incentives Program (TIP), and has the land in the EQIP application come out of CRP within the last 2 years?	YES	5
	NO	0

Section: Cropland Program Questions*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
CROPLAND: Does the applicant have a conservation plan following the NRCS planning process in NPPH that covers all planning land units (PLUs) and planned practices in the application?	YES	40
	NO	0

Section: Confinement Program Questions*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
CONFINEMENT: Does the applicant have an NRCS approved Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan (CNMP) (CAP101 or DIA 101 and CPA 102) and will the CNMP be fully implemented or progressively implemented with the application?	YES	45
	NO	0

Section: Grazing Program Questions*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
PASTURE: Does the applicant have one of the following grazing plans that covers all planning land units (PLUs) and planned practices in the application? 1) an NRCS approved grazing Conservation Activity Plan (CAP). 2) an NRCS approved CPA 110 and DIA 159; or 3) a conservation or grazing plan following the NRCS planning process in NPPH.	YES	45
	NO	0

Section: Forest Program Questions*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
FOREST: Does the applicant have one of the following Forest Management Plans (FMP) that is no older than 10 years and covers all planning land units (PLUs) and forest-related planned practices in the application? 1) FMP that was approved by IDNR or approved partner. 2) an NRCS approved FMP Conservation Activity Plan (CAP); or 3) an NRCS approved CPA 106 and DIA 165.	YES	45
	NO	0

Section: NBI Program Questions*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
NBI: Does a planning land unit (PLU) intersect the NBI project area?*	Yes	0
	No	0

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Question	Answer Choices	Points
NBI: Does the application meet the requirements of WLFW NBI? If answer is NO, uncheck WLFW NBI in the Category selection.*	YES	0
	NO	0

Section: MRBI Program Questions*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
MRBI: Does a planning land unit (PLU) intersect the MRBI watersheds by 50% or greater?	Yes	0
	No	0
MRBI: Does the application meet the requirements of MRBI? If answer is NO, uncheck MRBI in the Category selection.*	YES	0
	NO	0

Section: NWQI Program Questions*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
NWQI: Does a planning land unit (PLU) intersect the NWQI watersheds by 50% or greater?	Yes	0
	No	0
NWQI: Does the application meet the requirements of NWQI? If answer is NO, uncheck NWQI in the Category selection.*	YES	0
	NO	0

Survey: Resource Questions

Section: Cropland Resource Questions*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
CROPLAND: Does the application include structural practices that control ephemeral and/or classic gully erosion?	YES	5
	NO	0
CROPLAND: Does the application include practice(s) that will address the sheet and rill erosion resource concern?	YES	5
	NO	0
CROPLAND: Does the application address a soil health resource concern (aggregate instability, compaction, organic matter depletion, or soil organism habitat loss or degradation) on the application area?	YES	5
	NO	0
CROPLAND: Does the application include practice(s) that will address water quality resource concerns (nutrients, sediment, or pesticides)?	YES	5
	NO	0
CROPLAND: Does the application include a crop management practice (329, 345, 340, 590, or 595) that will be scheduled for at least 3 out of 5 years on the same land?	YES	5
	NO	0

Section: Confinement Resource Questions*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
CONFINEMENT: Does the site have open lots currently used by livestock and will all lots be eliminated with the application?	YES	5
	NO	0

Section: Confinement Resource Questions*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
CONFINEMENT: Is manure or wastewater runoff being released from the livestock production area as identified in the CNMP and will the runoff and resource concern be addressed with the application?	YES	5
	NO	0
CONFINEMENT: Does the application include an expansion of the existing livestock numbers and the design of the waste storage and treatment facility for the increased number?	Yes, expanding animal units greater than 25%	-10
	Yes, expanding animal units up to 25%	0
	No Expansion	10
CONFINEMENT: Does the application include Nutrient Management (590) for all cropland acres in the CNMP?	YES	5
	NO	0

Section: Grazing Resource Questions*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
PASTURE: Does the application include Grazing Management (528) on all pastureland in the application?	YES	5
	NO	0
PASTURE: Does the application include Grazing Management (528) for 2 or more years on the same acres?	YES	5
	NO	0
PASTURE: Will livestock be excluded from water resources, forestland, or other environmentally sensitive areas?	YES	5
	NO	0
PASTURE: Will a management change(s) be implemented that extends the grazing season by at least two months?	YES	5
	NO	0
PASTURE: Does the application include practice(s) to ensure adequate domestic livestock drinking water distribution are available in the application area?	YES	5
	NO	0
PASTURE: Does the application include converting cropland to permanent pasture to address an existing resource concern?	YES	5
	NO	0

Section: Forest Resource Questions*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
FOREST: Does the FMP identify a resource concern of oak regeneration in an existing oak stand(s) and the application includes the treatment of understory shade tolerant tree species, such as maple, ironwood, dogwood, etc.?	YES	5
	NO	0
FOREST: Is a timber harvest identified in the Forest Management Plan (FMP)?	YES	0
	NO	0
FOREST-T: Does the application and FMP include Forest Stand Improvement (666) within 5 years before or after a planned timber harvest to manipulate species and improve the stand?*	YES	5
	NO	0
FOREST-T: Does the application and FMP include Brush Management (314) and/or Herbaceous Weed Treatment (315) within 5 years before or after a planned timber harvest to treat herbaceous and/or non-herbaceous (woody and vines) species?*	YES	5
	NO	0

Section: Wildlife Resource Questions*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
WILDLIFE: Does the application include a practice to benefit threatened or endangered species?	YES	5
	NO	0
WILDLIFE: Does the application include Wetland Restoration (657) to restore ephemeral and other fishless, semi-permanent wetlands for migratory shorebirds, waterfowl, amphibians and/or other wildlife?	YES	5
	NO	0
WILDLIFE: Does the application provide habitat for fish and/or wildlife by implementing a Stream Habitat Improvement and Management (395), Streambank and Shoreline Protection (580), Riparian Forest Buffer (391) and/or Riparian Herbaceous Cover (390)?	YES	5
	NO	0
WILDLIFE: Does the application establish or restore savanna and/or prairie habitats according to the Restoration and Management of Declining Habitats (643) conservation practice standard?	YES	5
	NO	0

Section: Regenerative Resource Questions*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
REGENERATIVE: Will all land units in the 'whole farm' meet soil and water resource concerns by the end of the contract?	YES	8
	NO	0
REGENERATIVE: Does the application include CEMA 216 on all land units in the "whole farm" in the first and last years of the contract?	YES	8
	NO	0
REGENERATIVE: How many Primary Practices are planned in the application? (do not count CPA 199, CEMA 216, or CEMA 217 in the practice count) (select more than one land use if applicable)	Cropland - 3 or more RPP Primary Practices will be contracted.	8
	Cropland - 2 RPP Primary Practices will be contracted.	5
	Pasture - One or more RPP Primary Practices will be contracted.	5
	Forest - One or more RPP Primary Practices will be contracted.	5
	None of the above	0

Section: CPAs, DIAs, CEMAs Resource Questions*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
CPAs, DIAs, CEMAs: Did NRCS determine a CPA, DIA, and/or CEMA is a necessary and efficient way to provide an NRCS client with technical assistance and will a qualified Technical Service Provider (TSP) develop the CPA and DIA and a Qualified Individual (QI) develop the CEMA?	YES	5
	NO	0
CPAs, DIAs, CEMAs: Is this application for a revision of an existing Conservation Activity Plan (CAP)?	YES	-10
	NO	0

Section: MOBU Resource Questions*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
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Section: MOBU Resource Questions*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
MOBU: What are the direct benefits for MOBU?	Planting mix includes two or more species of milkweed (Asclepias spp.)	9
	Planting mix includes one species of milkweed	7
	Management of existing habitat will increase existing milkweed and floral resources	5
MOBU: Is the PLU located adjacent to agricultural lands that are treated with insecticides (excluding treated seeds)?	YES	-5
	NO	5
MOBU: Is the center point of the PLU less than 125 feet from agricultural lands treated with insecticides?	YES	-10
	NO	5
MOBU: Is the proximity to existing MOBU habitat (e.g., natural areas, CRP, and prairies with abundant milkweed or other beneficial plants) less than 0.2 miles?	YES	3
	NO	0
MOBU: Is the existing MOBU habitat protected for conservation purposes by fee title, easement, or long-term lease (more than 5 years)?	YES	5
	NO	0

Section: NBI Resource Questions*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
NBI: Is the PLU a high potential for habitat restoration benefiting the Northern Bobwhite per the National Bobwhite Conservation Initiative (NBCI) habitat potential criteria?	High Habitat Potential	8
	Not a High Habitat Potential	0
NBI: Direct Target Species Benefits: Does the PLU directly benefit Northern Bobwhite (NOBO) or other declining grasslands wildlife or pollinators? (Only choose one answer)	PLU is within 3 miles of any documented terrestrial state or federal T&E, or candidate for listing and/or declining bird species (e.g. Bachman's sparrow, prairie warbler, bobolink, eastern or western meadowlark, any shrike species, grassland sparrow, common ground dove, upland sandpiper).	8
	PLU is within 5 miles of occupied Northern Bobwhite site or regularly managed suitable habitat.	5
	PLU is or will be > 90% native grasslands, forbs, or savannas and/or will include milkweed establishment or management.	2
	None of the above.	0

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Question	Answer Choices	Points
NBI: Threats Addressed: Do the planned practices include actions prioritized to restore native habitat? (Only choose one answer)	A prescribed burn during the growing season is planned on the PLU.	10
	A prescribed burn in any season is on the PLU and/or pollinator forage plant materials plantings are planned.	9
	At least one of the following priority conservation practices is planned on the PLU: timber stand improvement or brush management.	8
	At least one of the following practices is planned on the PLU: forage and biomass planting using only native seed mixes or range planting using only native seed mixes.	8
	At least one practice is planned that provides woody vegetative cover for wildlife use: wildlife habitat planting, hedgerow planting, windbreak/shelterbelt establishment, tree/shrub establishment, or field borders.	7
	At least one of the following practices is planned on the PLU: invasive species control or conservation cover.	7
	None of the above.	0

Section: MRBI Resource Questions*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
MRBI: Are the practices in the EQIP application predominantly practices which are identified in the MRBI watershed assessment?	YES	5
	NO	0
MRBI: Do the planning land units (PLUs) intersect the critical source areas identified in the MRBI watershed assessment?	No intersection	0
	Intersects	5

Section: NWQI Resource Questions*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
NWQI: Are the practices in the EQIP application predominantly practices which are identified in the NWQI watershed assessment?	YES	5
	NO	0
NWQI: Do the planning land units (PLUs) intersect the critical source areas identified in the NWQI watershed assessment?	No intersection	0
	Intersects	5
NWQI: Are any of the PLUs within the distance to the National Hydrography Dataset flowline such as streams or rivers?	250 feet or less	7
	251-750 feet	4
	More than 750 feet	0

Detailed Assessments

Name	Type	Jurisdiction	Status
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