

Local Work Group development of local EQIP.

Lac qui Parle Soil and Water Conservation____District FY03 EQIP

1. List the local resource concerns that EQIP can address:

Surface water, soil erosion, feedlots, wetland restoration, nutrient management, trees, tillage, air quality, well sealing and ground water and farmland protection.

2. If applicable, list any geographic regions (i.e. watersheds, townships, etc.) and their respective resource concerns within the District to receive priority:

None in FY 2003. The main stem of the Lac qui Parle River and Ten Mile Creek watershed will be priority geographic regions in FY 2004.

3. Prioritize and weight each local resource concern for the district. Weight must be between 1 and 10:

Factor	Resource Priority	Weight
A1. Erosion Control	Med	5
A2 Gully Control	High	9
B1 Water Resource	High	10
B2 Wastewater/CNMP	Med	7
C Habitat Improvement	Low	1
D Air Quality	Low	1
E Impaired Water	Med	5
F Distance	Med	6
G Grazing System	Low	3
H Forest Mgt.	Low	1
Additional Local*	High	8

* If the additional local concern is scored, describe the concern here and how points will be scored. Include any geographic priorities.

Group projects will be our local concern. We have a number of larger projects that will require the participation/funding of several landowners, and we do not want to lose any of them because one or more participants doesn't get funded. Group projects are defined as 2 or more applications that in combination with each other provide a better solution to an environmental or resource concern.

4. Attach the scoring worksheet as recommended for the district.
5. List any recommended practices to be deleted from the state Conservation Practice Payment Document

None

The local EQIP program description, cost-share docket changes, and ranking worksheet must be reviewed and approved by the State Conservationist before any EQIP contract is approved and signed.

This document serves as the Local Work Group recommendation for FY 03 EQIP. Attached is a roster of participation in the Local Work Group.

Chair, Local Work Group

Date