

Local Work Group development of local EQIP.

Ramsey County Soil and Water Conservation District FY03 EQIP

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

The limited areas that do remain in agricultural production may require assistance with erosion control, gully control, water resource protection, habitat improvement, and/or forest management.

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

None specified

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	high	1
A2 Gully Control	high	1
B1 Water Resource	high	1
B2 Wastewater/CNMP	med	1
C Habitat Improvement	high	1
D Air Quality	med	1
E Impaired Water	high	1
F Distance	med	1
G Grazing System	low	1
H Forest Mgt.	med	1
Additional Local*		

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

4. Attach the scoring worksheet as recommended for the district.

See attached scoring worksheet.

5. List any recommended practices to be deleted from the state Conservation Practice Payment Document

The full MN Conservation Practice Payment Document will be used. No practices were recommended for deletion by the Local Work Group.

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.

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