

Local Work Group development of local EQIP.

RICE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION District FY04 EQIP

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

SOIL EROSION

WATER QUALITY

2. If applicable, list any geographic regions (i.e. watersheds, townships, etc.) and their respective resource concerns within the District to receive priority: IMPAIRED WATERSHEDS: MN RIVER, CANNON R., STRAIGHT R., PRAIRIE CREEK; HUNTS LAKE; SHIELDS LAKE; CIRCLE LAKE; FARIBAULT WELLHEAD PROTECTION AREA. RESPECTIVE CONCERNS: SOIL EROSION, IMPAIRED WATER DUE TO TURBIDITY, NUTRIENTS, CHEMICALS.
3. Prioritize and weight each local resource concern for the district or for each geographic region. Weight must be between 1 and 10:

Factor	Resource Priority	Geographic Priority	Weight
A1. Erosion Control	1		10
A2 Gully Control	3		5
B1 Water Resource	4		2
B2 Wastewater/CNMP	6		1
C Wildlife Habitat	8		1
D Air Quality	9		1
E Impaired Water	2		8
F Distance	5		5
G Grazing System	7		1
H Forest Mgt.	10		1
Additional Local*			

- If the additional local concern is scored, describe the concern here and how points will be scored.
 - HEL scores 3 points;
 - No-till/Strip till for complete rotation scores 3 points
 - land in Circle Lake Watershed scores 3 points.
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
328A, 329B; Retain 595 Pest Management but use only for producers presently using insecticides and they convert to a lower use.

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 04EQIP. Attached is a roster of participation in the Local Work Group.

Chair, Local Work Group

Date