

Local Work Group development of local EQIP.

CLEARWATER SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT FY05 EQIP

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

- A. *Designated impaired waters*
- B. *Pasture and hay land planting and stand quality improvement*
- C. *Forest stewardship and forested buffers*
- D. *Unclosed abandoned waste systems*
- E. *Reduced use of conservation tillage*
- F. *Maintenance of surface water elevation for production of wild rice on lake beds*

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

<u>Geographic Region</u>	<u>Resource Concern</u>
*Silver Creek Sub watershed	vegetative cover and buffers
*Ruffy Brook Sub watershed	vegetative cover and buffers
*Lost River Sub watershed	vegetative cover and buffers
*Walker Brook Sub watershed	nutrient management
*Clearwater River-from Ruffy Brook inlet to the downstream Clearwater Cty. line	stream bank protection, grade stabilization, erosion control and sediment reduction
*Lower Rice Lake	surface water level control

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	<i>Medium</i>	1
A2 Gully Control	<i>Low</i>	1
B1 Water Resource	<i>Medium</i>	1
B2 Wastewater/CNMP	<i>Medium</i>	2
C Habitat Improvement	<i>Low</i>	1
D Air Quality	<i>Low</i>	1
E Impaired Water	<i>High</i>	10
F Distance	<i>Medium</i>	1
G Grazing System	<i>Medium</i>	1
H Forest Mgt.	<i>Medium</i>	2
Additional Local*	<i>High</i>	10

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

Contracts for practice 512.

Contracts for practice 587.

Contracts for practice 329a, 329b, and 329c.

Contracts for practices 391 & 393 if located within the Silver Creek, Ruffy Brook or Lost River Subwatersheds.

Contracts for practices 590 & 784 if located within the Walker Brook Subwatershed.

Contracts for practice 580 applied on the Clearwater River between the Ruffy Brook tributary inlet and the downstream Clearwater County line.

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

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

Chair, Local Work Group

Date