

## Local Work Group development of local EQIP.

### Carver County District FY06 EQIP

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

**The Carver County LWG felt the greatest concerns that EQIP can address in Carver County are as follows:**

**-Soil Erosion, particularly on Highly Erodible Land**

**-Water Quality. Carver County has several watersheds listed as “impaired waters”.**

**-Wetland restorations. Although many other programs provide sources for restoring wetlands it should also be a priority under the EQIP program.**

**-Proper closure of un-certified ag-waste systems.**

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

**Funding will be available county wide; however practices that are in an impaired watershed will receive additional points under Factor I – local concern. These watersheds include Bevens Creek, Carver Creek, Reitz Lake Watershed, Goose Lake Watershed, and Hydes Lake Watershed.**

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	<b>Medium</b>	<b>7</b>
A2 Gully Control	<b>High</b>	<b>8</b>
B1 Water Resource	<b>High</b>	<b>9</b>
B2 Wastewater/CNMP	<b>High</b>	<b>9</b>
C Habitat Improvement	<b>Medium</b>	<b>6</b>
D Air Quality	<b>Medium</b>	<b>5</b>
E Impaired Water	<b>High</b>	<b>8</b>
F Distance	<b>Medium</b>	<b>7</b>
G Grazing System	<b>Low</b>	<b>4</b>
H Forest Mgt.	<b>Low</b>	<b>2</b>
Additional Local*	<b>Medium</b>	<b>7</b>

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

**The Carver County LWG would like to see the Practice Standards 329, 580, and 657 receive the additional 6 (six) points under Factor I – Additional Local Concern. Also any practice that is located within the above listed TMDL watershed should receive the additional 6 points. If the application meets the above criteria it will then have a weighted factor of 7 in the scoring process.**

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

**Attached.**

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

**NO Practices deleted.**

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

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Chair, Local Work Group

Date