

Local Work Group development of local EQIP.

Clearwater Soil and Water Conservation District FY07 EQIP

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

- A. Impaired Waters
- B. Forest Stewardship and Forested buffers
- C. Prescribe Grazing Systems
- D. Nutrient Management

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 Regions</u>	<u>Resource Concerns</u>
Silver Creek	Vegetative Cover and Buffer
Walker Brook	Vegetative Cover and Buffer
Lost River	Vegetative Cover and Buffer
Clearwater River	Vegetative Cover and Buffer

3. From items 1 & 2 above prioritize the local resource concerns to be addressed with EQIP funding for the district. Describe a minimum of 3 categories of the highest priority applications which you would want to receive funding.

Soil Erosion and Water Quality concerns within the listed impaired watershed

Applications addressing water quality concerns

Applications meeting the limited resource producer requirements

Applications addressing forest stand improvements or establishments

Applications with prescribe grazing systems that are located on drought prone soils.

4. Develop a minimum of 3 and maximum of 12 yes/no questions to determine if an application is addressing the high priority concerns described in item 3.

FOREST MANAGEMENT- the applicant will install practices (380) Windbreak, (391) Riparian Forest Buffer, (612) Tree/Shrub Establishment, (645) Upland and Wildlife Habitat Management. 13 points

WATER QUALITY- the applicant will install practices to implement a prescribe grazing system that addresses water quality concerns within the listed impaired watersheds above. 9 points

GRAZING SYSTEMS- the applicant will install practices to implement a prescribe grazing system that are located on drought prone soils. 9 points

WATER QUALITY- applicant will install nutrient management practices within the listed impaired watersheds. 5 points

WATER QUALITY- the applicant will install practices that address water quality concerns within the listed watershed above. 3 points

5. **Assign points to the questions in Item #4 as desired to reflect local priorities. The total points assigned to the questions must equal exactly 40 points.**
6. **Submit this worksheet to your respective ASTC (FO). After approval from the state office, the questions will be entered into the Local Issues section of the ranking tool.**
7. **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 07 EQIP. Attached is a roster of participation in the Local Work Group.

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Date