

# Local Work Group development of local EQIP.

Mower Soil and Water Conservation District FY07 EQIP

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

Soil Erosion, Water Quality, Wildlife habitat, Flooding, Pasture Management, Impaired Waters, and Soil Productivity.

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

None, the entire county is a priority.

**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:**

Practices which provide long term gully and ephemeral gully erosion control.

Practices that eliminate direct discharge of sediment to surface waters.

Practices that are part of a conservation system on cropland which addresses water erosion, sedimentation, and wildlife habitat issues on the tract. The system will have STIR<16, minimum 33 ft grass buffer if there are streams, and will meet upland wildlife habitat standard.

**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.**

1. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result long term control (> 9 years practice lifespan) of gully or ephemeral gully erosion. (20 points)
2. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP eliminate a direct discharge of sediment to surface waters? (20 points)
3. Is the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP part of a conservation system with a STIR<16, minimum 33 ft grass buffer protecting any streams on the tract, ephemerals and gullys controlled, and that meets the upland wildlife habitat standard? (10 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 in the range of 35-60 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**

None

**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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**Chair, Local Work Group**

**Date**