

# Local Work Group development of local EQIP.

Todd Soil and Water Conservation District FY07 EQIP

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

Ground water quality, gully erosion, wind erosion, pasture health-grass quality, sheet and rill erosion, surface 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:**

Swan River Watershed, Red Eye Watershed

**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.**

Wind erosion, gully erosion, ground water contamination, nutrients and sediment entering surface waters, sheet and rill erosion, pasture health

**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. Does the application tract(s) have established buffer strips next to all drainage ditches, streams, and type III-V wetlands? (5 points)
2. Is the applicant applying for structural practices to control erosion? (15 points)
3. Will this application address NRCS nutrient management objectives such as soil testing, manure testing, application rate and timing, sensitive areas and soils, field risk assessments? (10 points)
4. Does the applicant currently follow University of Minnesota fertilizer and nutrient recommendation guidelines? (5 points)
5. Will this application install practices to address ground water quality? Examples include closure of waste impoundments and well decommissioning. (15 points)
6. Will this application reduce wind erosion on fields growing low residue crops? Example crops include potatoes, edible beans, corn silage. Example practices include cover crop, field windbreak, cross wind trap strips. (5 points)
7. Is the application location within the Swan River or Red Eye watershed? (5 points)

**5. Assign points to the questions in Item #4 as desired to reflect local priorities.**

See question 4.

**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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**Chair, Local Work Group**

**Date**