

Local Work Group development of local EQIP.

West POLK

District FY07 EQIP

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

Soil Erosion

Water Quality

Air Quality

Wildlife Habitat

Human

Plant

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

Areas located within the watershed of impaired waters will receive additional credit.

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 watershed of impaired waters.

Soil erosion and water quality - applications with the following practices: 386, 393, 380, 362, 402, 410, 587, 638, 657 to address field borders, filter strips, living snow fences, or flood control efforts.

Soil erosion – applications with no-till/strip till scheduled.

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.

Soil erosion and water quality – the application is within an impaired waters watershed? 15 pts.

Soil erosion and water quality – the application includes at least one of the following: 350, 362, 380, 386, 393, 402, 410, 587, 638, or 657? 10 pts.

Soil erosion – the application includes 329 no till/strip till? 10 pts.

Water quality – the application includes 590 or 595? 5 pts.

Water quality – the application includes organic crop rotation existing or new? 2 pts.

Soil erosion and water quality – the application includes 340, 345, or 351? 2 pts.

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 . 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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