

# Local Work Group Development of Local EQIP.

## Wabasha Soil and Water Conservation District FY08 EQIP

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

Soil Erosion, Water Quality, Grazing Management, Forest Management, Nutrient Management and Invasive Species.

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

None

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/or Water Quality

Pasture Management

Forest Management

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/or WATER QUALITY – the application includes one or more of the following NRCS practices: 340 (Cover Crop), 362 (Diversion), 410 (Grade Stabilization Structure, 412 (Grassed Waterway), 329 (Residue Management – No Till, Strip Till), 585 (Contour Stripcropping), 600 (Terrace), 638 (Water and Sediment Control Basin) and has both 345 (Mulch Till) and 330 (Contour Farming) already applied on all associated tracts. **15 pts.**

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SOIL EROSION and/or WATER QUALITY – the application includes one or more of the following NRCS practices: 590 (Nutrient Management), 725 (Sinkhole Treatment), 313 (Waste Storage Facility) and has both 345 (Mulch Till) and 330 (Contour Farming) already applied on all associated tracts. **10 pts.**

**SOIL EROSION and/or WATER QUALITY – the application includes one or more of the following NRCS practices: 590 (Nutrient Management), 725 (Sinkhole Treatment), 313 (Waste Storage Facility).** **5 pts.**

**PASTURE MANAGEMENT - the application includes one or more of the following NRCS practices: 512 (Pasture and Hay Planting), 528 (Prescribed Grazing).** **10 pts.**

**PASTURE MANAGEMENT - the application includes HEL cropland conversion to permanent pasture.** **5 pts.**

**FOREST MANAGEMENT - the application includes one or more of the following NRCS practices: 666 (Forest Stand Improvement), 612 (Tree and Shrub Planting), 380 (Windbreak), 797 (Terrestrial Invasive Plant Species Pest Management, woody control).** **15 pts.**

5. Assign points to the questions in Item #4 as desired to reflect local priorities. The total points assigned to the questions should be between 35 to 60 points.

See #4 above.

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

**606 (Subsurface Drain) when needed as a component of a grassed waterway.**

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

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Chair, Local Work Group

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**WABASHA EQIP LOCAL WORK GROUP ROSTER OF PARTICIPATION 10-10-07**

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