

# Local Work Group development of local EQIP.

\_\_\_\_\_ Blue Earth County (Mankato Field Office)\_\_\_\_\_ District FY08 EQIP

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

Sheet and Rill Erosion, Water Quality, Feedlots with point source pollution, grazing systems that overgraze, and gully erosion.

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

No geographical priority region identified for fiscal year 2008.

**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.**

Gully Erosion and Animal Confinement Runoff are the highest priorities.

Water Quality and Grazing as a high secondary priority.

**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 - structural practices Diversion (362), Grade Stabilization Structure (410), Grassed Waterway (412), Water and Sediment Control Basin (638), Dam (402) or other structural practices will be installed to control ephemeral or gully erosion-**12 POINTS**

NON-POINT SOURCE POLLUTION - existing FLEVAL rating is 11 to 25-**15 POINTS**

NON-POINT SOURCE POLLUTION - existing FLEVAL rating is 26 to 49-**14 POINTS**

NON-POINT SOURCE POLLUTION - existing FLEVAL rating is greater than 49-**13 POINTS**

GRAZING SYSTEMS - Prescribed Grazing (528a) including Organic systems will be implemented-**6 POINTS**

**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 above, 60 points total.

**6. List any recommended practices to be deleted from the state Conservation Practice Payment Document**

None

**7. 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.**

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