

Local Work Group Development of Local EQIP.

___Douglas_Soil & Water Conservation District FY08 EQIP

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

Water Quality, Soil Quality, Pasture Condition & Forest Stand Condition

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

Long Prairie Watershed

Chippewa 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.

No-Till or Minimum Tillage practices

Ag Waste Pit Closures

Prescribed Grazing Practices

Woody Invasives & Forestry Management

Nutrient Management and Pest Management Practices

Non-Woody Invasive Species

Buffers Around Tile Intakes

Feedlots

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.

Applications with No-Till or Mulch Tillage --- 13 pts

Applications with Ag Waste Pit Closures --- 10 pts

Applications with Woody Invasive control or Forestry Mgmt - 9 pts

Applications with Nutrient or Pest Management --- 7 pts

Applications with Non-Woody Invasive species --- 3 pts

Applications with min. of 1 rod Buffers around Tile Intakes -- 2 pts

All applications in the Long Prairie Watershed --- 2 pts

All applications in the Chippewa Watershed --- 1 pt

- 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.**

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

Chair, Local Work Group Date