Local Work Group development of local EQIP.

Brown Soil & Water Conservation District FY09 EQIP

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

   Soil Erosion
   Livestock - Grazing
   Water Quality
   Nutrient Management on cropland
   Feedlot Runoff

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

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.**

   Practices that will reduce erosion, esp. water
   Practices that will improve water quality
   Practices that will assist with proper nutrient management
   Practices that will improve grazing and forage production

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.**

   Will the practice reduce soil erosion from above T to below T? Yes No 15 points

   Will the practice improve forage condition and production? Yes No 5 points

   Will the practice improve nutrient management? Yes No 10 points

   Will the practice sustain or improve water quality? Yes No 10 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.

6. Submit this worksheet electronically 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 09 EQIP. Attached is a roster of participation in the Local Work Group.

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Chair, Local Work Group Date

Brown County - LWG EQIP Meeting 11-6-08

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