

Ranking Pool: CT FY23 IRA EQIP BF-SD

Program: EQIP Pool Status: Active States: CT (Admin)

Template: IRA-EQIP (Inflation Reduction Act)

Template Status: Active

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#### **Land Uses and Modifiers**

Land Use	Grazed	Wildlife	Irrigated	Hayed	Drained	Organic	Water Feature	Protected	Urban	Aquaculture
Associated Ag Land					N/A					
Crop										
Farmstead				N/A	N/A					
Forest				N/A	N/A					
Pasture										

#### **Resource Concern Categories**

Categories				
Category	Min %	Default %	Max %	
Air quality emissions	0	30	100	
Concentrated erosion	0	2	100	
Degraded plant condition	0	20	100	
Field sediment, nutrient and pathogen loss	0	2	100	
Inefficient energy use	0	20	100	
Livestock production limitation	0	2	100	
Pest pressure	0	2	100	
Soil quality limitations	0	20	100	
Weather resilience	0	2	100	

Air quality emissions			
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Emissions of airborne reactive nitrogen	0	5	100
Emissions of greenhouse gases - GHGs	0	80	100
Emissions of ozone precursors	0	5	100

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Air quality emissions			
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Emissions of particulate matter (PM) and PM precursors	0	5	100
Objectionable odor	0	5	100

Concentrated erosion					
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %		
Bank erosion from streams, shorelines or water conveyance channels	0	40	100		
Classic gully erosion	0	20	100		
Ephemeral gully erosion	0	40	100		

Degraded plant condition			
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Plant productivity and health	0	5	100
Plant structure and composition	0	95	100

Field sediment, nutrient and pathogen loss					
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %		
Nutrients transported to groundwater	0	20	100		
Nutrients transported to surface water	0	20	100		
Pathogens and chemicals from manure, biosolids or compost applications transported to groundwater	0	20	100		
Pathogens and chemicals from manure, biosolids or compost applications transported to surface water	0	20	100		
Sediment transported to surface water	0	20	100		

Inefficient energy use			
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Energy efficiency of equipment and facilities	0	80	100
Energy efficiency of farming/ranching practices and field operations	0	20	100

Livestock production limitation			
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Feed and forage balance	0	100	100

Pest pressure			
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Plant pest pressure	100	100	100

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Soil quality limitations			
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Aggregate instability	0	10	100
Organic matter depletion	0	80	100
Soil organism habitat loss or degradation	0	10	100

Weather resilience			
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Naturally available moisture use	0	33	100
Ponding and flooding	0	34	100
Seasonal high water table	0	33	100

# **Practices**

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Type
Alley Cropping	311	Conservation Practices
Conservation Cover	327	Conservation Practices
Conservation Crop Rotation	328	Conservation Practices
Residue and Tillage Management, No Till	329	Conservation Practices
Contour Buffer Strips	332	Conservation Practices
Cover Crop	340	Conservation Practices
Critical Area Planting	342	Conservation Practices
Residue and Tillage Management, Reduced Till	345	Conservation Practices
Combustion System Improvement	372	Conservation Practices
Energy Efficient Agricultural Operation	374	Conservation Practices
Forest Farming	379	Conservation Practices
Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment and Renovation	380	Conservation Practices
Silvopasture	381	Conservation Practices
Field Border	386	Conservation Practices
Riparian Herbaceous Cover	390	Conservation Practices
Riparian Forest Buffer	391	Conservation Practices
Filter Strip	393	Conservation Practices
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Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Type
Grassed Waterway	412	Conservation Practices
Wildlife Habitat Planting	420	Conservation Practices
Hedgerow Planting	422	Conservation Practices
Mulching	484	Conservation Practices
Pasture and Hay Planting	512	Conservation Practices
Prescribed Grazing	528	Conservation Practices
Stripcropping	585	Conservation Practices
Nutrient Management	590	Conservation Practices
Vegetative Barrier	601	Conservation Practices
Herbaceous Wind Barriers	603	Conservation Practices
Tree/Shrub Establishment	612	Conservation Practices
Waste Separation Facility	632	Conservation Practices
Upland Wildlife Habitat Management	645	Conservation Practices
Wetland Restoration	657	Conservation Practices
Forest Stand Improvement	666	Conservation Practices
Energy Efficient Lighting System	670	Conservation Practices
Energy Efficient Building Envelope	672	Conservation Practices
TA Planning	910	TSP Codes
TA Design	911	TSP Codes
TA Application	912	TSP Codes
TA Check-Out	913	TSP Codes

# **Ranking Weights**

Factors	Algorithm	Allowable Min	Default	Allowable Max
Vulnerabilities	Default	10	10	40
Planned Practice Effects	Default	15	15	15
Resource Priorities	Default	20	60	60
Program Priorities	Default	5	5	15
Efficiencies	Default	10	10	10

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### **Survey: Applicability Questions**

Section: Applicability Questions		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Did the applicant self-certify Beginning Farmer and/or Socially Disadvantaged Farmer on their application form, NRCS-CPA-1200?	Yes - The applicant self certified as Beginning Farmer	
	Yes - The applicant self certified as Socially Disadvantaged	
	Yes - The applicant self certified as Beginning Farmer and Socially Disadvantaged	
	No	

#### **Survey: Category Questions**

Section: Category Questions		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
CSAF practices are the only primary practices included in the assessment:	YES	
	NO	

### **Survey: Program Questions**

Section: Program Questions		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Does the applicant meet the NRCS definition of a veteran farmer or rancher?	YES	20
	NO	0
Has applicant had any contract termination within the last 3 years that was within their control?	Yes	-30
	No	70
	N/A	70
Is Applicant following all Operation and Maintenance (O & M) for all certified practices that are within their lifespan on any contract (active, completed, cancelled or terminated)?	Yes	70
	No	-10
	N/A	65
Will other Federal, State or Local financial resources be leveraged to assist with the implementation of the project?	YES	35
	NO	0
Is the applicant a covered producer participating in the CRP TIP and NRCS is evaluating the assessment during the two year period covered by the CRP 1R?	YES	5
	NO	0

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# **Survey: Resource Questions**

Section: Resource Questions		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
How many Primary Climate Smart Practices are planned in this application? (refer to 2023 NRCS CSAF Mitigation Activities List)	0	-200
	1	50
	2	75
	3 or more	100
What Climate Smart Resource Concern(s) are being met by Primary Practices in this application? (refer to CSAF RC's point spreadsheet) Choose all that apply.	Air quality emissions: Emission of greenhouse gases (GHG)	40
	Inefficient energy use: Energy efficiency of equipment and facilities	15
	Inefficient energy use: Energy efficiency of farming/ranching practices and field operations	15
	Degraded plant condition: Plant structure and composition	15
	Soil quality limitations: Organic matter depletion	15
	N/A	0

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