

Ranking Pool: EQIP-CIC Conservation Activities FY24

Program: EQIP

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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 %
Field sediment, nutrient and pathogen loss	0	33	100
Soil quality limitations	0	33	100
Wind and water erosion	0	34	100

Field sediment, nutrient and pathogen loss					
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %		
Nutrients transported to groundwater	0	25	100		
Nutrients transported to surface water	0	50	100		
Pathogens and chemicals from manure, biosolids or compost applications transported to groundwater	0		100		
Pathogens and chemicals from manure, biosolids or compost applications transported to surface water	0		100		
Sediment transported to surface water	0	25	100		

Soil quality limitations			
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %

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Soil quality limitations			
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Aggregate instability	0	10	100
Compaction	0	30	100
Concentration of salts or other chemicals	0		100
Organic matter depletion	0	30	100
Soil organism habitat loss or degradation	0	30	100
Subsidence	0		100

Wind and water erosion			
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Sheet and rill erosion	0	100	100
Wind erosion	0		100

Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Type
CNMP Design and Implementation Activity	101	Activities
Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan	102	Activities
Forest Management Plan	106	Activities
Grazing Management Plan	110	Activities
Soil Health Management Plan	116	Activities
Agricultural Energy Design	120	Activities
Conservation Plan Supporting Organic Transition	138	Activities
Transition to Organic Design	140	Activities
Fish and Wildlife Habitat Design	144	Activities
Pollinator Habitat Design	148	Activities
Nutrient Management Design and Implementation Activity	157	Activities
Feed Management Design	158	Activities
Grazing Management Design	159	Activities
Prescribed Burning Design	160	Activities
Pest Management Conservation System Design	161	Activities
Soil Health Management System Design	162	Activities
Irrigation Water Management Design	163	Activities
Improved Management of Drainage Water Design	164	Activities
Forest Management Practice Design	165	Activities
Conservation Plan	199	Activities
Edge-of-Field Water Quality Monitoring-Data Collection and Evaluation	201	Activities
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Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Type
Edge-of-Field Water Quality Monitoring-System Installation	202	Activities
Feed and Forage Analysis	206	Activities
Site Assessment and Soil Testing for Contaminants Activity	207	Activities
PFAS Testing in Water or Soil	209	Activities
Soil Health Testing	216	Activities
Soil and Source Testing for Nutrient Management	217	Activities
Carbon Sequestration and Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Assessment	218	Activities
Prescribed Grazing Conservation Evaluation and Monitoring Activity	219	Activities
Soil Organic Carbon Stock Monitoring	221	Activities
Indigenous Stewardship Methods Evaluation	222	Activities
Forest Management Assessment	223	Activities
Aquifer Flow Test	224	Activities
Waste Facility Site Suitability and Feasibility Assessment	226	Activities
Evaluation of Existing Waste Storage Facility Components	227	Activities
Agricultural Energy Assessment	228	Activities

Ranking Weights

Factors	Algorithm	Allowable Min	Default	Allowable Max
Vulnerabilities	Adjustment (A)	10	25	40
Planned Practice Effects	Adjustment (D)	15	15	15
Resource Priorities	Default	20	40	60
Program Priorities	Default	5	10	15
Efficiencies	Default	10	10	10

Display Group: EQIP-CIC Conservation Activities Illinois FY24 (Active)

4 An asterisk will be displayed to show that it is a conditional section or conditional question.

Survey: Applicability Questions

Section: Applicability					
Question	Answer Choices	Points			
Does the assessed practice schedule intersect the boundary of a State	Yes				
High Priority Area (HPA)?	No				

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Survey: Category Questions

Section: Category					
Question	Answer Choices	Points			
	Livestock CPAs and DIAs (includes 101, 102, 110, 158, and/or 159.)				
Identity the category for the conservation activity/activities being ranked. If the applicant is applying for more than one conservation activity and the activities are in multiple categories, select the first category option that includes at least one activity in the application.	Cropland, Organic, and Misc. CPAs and DIAs (includes 116, 138, 199, 120, 140, 144, 148, 157, 160, 161, 162, 163, and/or 164)				
	Forest CPAs and DIAs (includes 106 and/or 165)				
	CEMAs (includes 201, 202, 206, 207, 209, 216, 217, 218, 219, 221, 222, 223, 224, 226, 227, and/or 228)				

Survey: Program Questions

Section: Program				
Question	Answer Choices	Points		
Did the applicant self-certify as a Historically Underserved (HU) farmer or rancher on the NRCS-CPA-1200, Conservation Program Application? Note: Four groups are defined by USDA as Historically	YES	10		
Underserved, including farmers or ranchers who are: Beginning; Socially Disadvantaged; Veterans; and Limited Resource.	NO	0		
Has the applicant had an EQID contract terminated in the last 2 years?	YES	-100		
Has the applicant had an EQIP contract terminated in the last 3 years?	NO	0		
Is the applicant a covered producer participating in the CRP-TIP and NRCS is evaluating the assessment during the two-year period	YES	5		
covered by the CRP-1R?	NO	0		

Survey: Resource Questions

Section: Resource		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Did NRCS determine a CPA, DIA, and/or CEMA is a necessary and efficient way to provide an NRCS client with technical assistance and	YES	50
will a qualified Technical Service Provider (TSP) develop the CPA and DIA and a Qualified Individual (QI) develop the CEMA?	NO	0

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