

USDA Ranking Pool Report

Ranking Pool ID-FY26 Geographic Area
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Program EQIP

Pool Status Active

Tags

Template EQIP

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Existing Practice Included Yes

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National Pool No

Include States ID (Admin)

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	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Range	--	--	N/A	--	N/A	--	--	--	--	--
Water	N/A	--	N/A	N/A	N/A	--	--	--	--	--

Resource Concern Categories

Categories			
Category	Min %	Default %	Max %
Air (Air quality emissions)	0	1	100
Animals (Aquatic habitat)	0	1	100
Animals (Livestock production limitation)	0	14	100
Animals (Terrestrial habitat)	0	4	100
Energy (Inefficient energy use)	0	8	100
Plants (Degraded plant condition)	0	9	100
Plants (Fire management)	0	1	100
Plants (Pest pressure)	0	3	100
Soil (Concentrated erosion)	0	12	100
Soil (Soil quality limitations)	0	12	100
Soil (Wind and water erosion)	0	7	100
Water (Field pesticide loss)	0	1	100

Categories

Category	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water (Field sediment, nutrient and pathogen loss)	0	8	100
Water (Salt losses to water)	0	1	100
Water (Source water depletion)	0	16	100
Water (Storage and handling of pollutants)	0	1	100
Water (Weather resilience)	0	1	100

Air (Air quality emissions)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Air Quality (Emissions of airborne reactive nitrogen)	0	20	100
Air Quality (Emissions of greenhouse gases - GHGs)	0	20	100
Air Quality (Emissions of ozone precursors)	0	20	100
Air Quality (Emissions of particulate matter (PM) and PM precursors)	0	20	100
Air Quality (Objectionable odor)	0	20	100

Animals (Aquatic habitat)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Aquatic Habitat (Aquatic habitat for fish and other organisms)	0	50	100
Aquatic Habitat (Elevated water temperature)	0	50	100

Animals (Livestock production limitation)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Livestock Health (Feed and forage balance)	0	35	100
Livestock Health (Inadequate livestock shelter)	0	30	100
Livestock Health (Inadequate livestock water quantity, quality and distribution)	0	35	100

Animals (Terrestrial habitat)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Terrestrial Habitat (Terrestrial habitat for wildlife and invertebrates)	0	100	100

Energy (Inefficient energy use)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Energy Use (Energy efficiency of equipment and facilities)	0	50	100
Energy Use (Energy efficiency of farming/ranching practices and field operations)	0	50	100

Plants (Degraded plant condition)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
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Plants (Degraded plant condition)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Plant Health (Plant productivity and health)	0	50	100
Plant Health (Plant structure and composition)	0	50	100

Plants (Fire management)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Wildfire Hazard (Wildfire hazard from biomass accumulation)	0	100	100

Plants (Pest pressure)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Plant Health (Plant pest pressure)	0	100	100

Soil (Concentrated erosion)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Soil Erosion (Bank erosion from streams, shorelines or water conveyance channels)	0	30	100
Soil Erosion (Classic gully erosion)	0	35	100
Soil Erosion (Ephemeral gully erosion)	0	35	100

Soil (Soil quality limitations)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Soil Health (Aggregate instability)	0	15	100
Soil Health (Compaction)	0	20	100
Soil Health (Concentration of salts or other chemicals)	0	15	100
Soil Health (Organic matter depletion)	0	20	100
Soil Health (Soil organism habitat loss or degradation)	0	20	100
Soil Health (Subsidence)	0	10	100

Soil (Wind and water erosion)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Soil Erosion (Sheet and rill erosion)	0	50	100
Soil Erosion (Wind erosion)	0	50	100

Water (Field pesticide loss)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water Quality (Pesticides transported to groundwater)	0	50	100
Water Quality (Pesticides transported to surface water)	0	50	100

Water (Field sediment, nutrient and pathogen loss)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water Quality (Nutrients transported to groundwater)	0	20	100
Water Quality (Nutrients transported to surface water)	0	20	100
Water Quality (Pathogens and chemicals from manure, biosolids or compost applications transported to groundwater)	0	20	100
Water Quality (Pathogens and chemicals from manure, biosolids or compost applications transported to surface water)	0	20	100
Water Quality (Sediment transported to surface water)	0	20	100

Water (Salt losses to water)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water Quality (Salts transported to groundwater)	0	50	100
Water Quality (Salts transported to surface water)	0	50	100

Water (Source water depletion)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water Quantity (Groundwater depletion)	0	35	100
Water Quantity (Inefficient irrigation water use)	0	35	100
Water Quantity (Surface water depletion)	0	30	100

Water (Storage and handling of pollutants)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water Quality (Nutrients transported to groundwater)	0	25	100
Water Quality (Nutrients transported to surface water)	0	25	100
Water Quality (Petroleum, heavy metals and other pollutants transported to groundwater)	0	25	100
Water Quality (Petroleum, heavy metals and other pollutants transported to surface water)	0	25	100

Water (Weather resilience)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water Quantity (Drifted snow)	0	20	100
Water Quantity (Naturally available moisture use)	0	20	100
Water Quantity (Ponding and flooding)	0	20	100
Water Quantity (Seasonal high water table)	0	20	100
Water Quantity (Seeps)	0	20	100

Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
CNMP Design and Implementation Activity	101	00N	Activities
Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan	102	00N	Activities
Forest Management Plan	106	00N	Activities
Grazing Management Plan	110	00N	Activities
Soil Health Management Plan	116	00N	Activities
Agricultural Energy Design	120	00N	Activities
Conservation Plan Supporting Organic Transition	138	00N	Activities
Transition to Organic Design	140	00N	Activities
Fish and Wildlife Habitat Design	144	00N	Activities
Pollinator Habitat Plan - Written	146	00N	CAPs
Pollinator Habitat Design	148	00N	Activities
Nutrient Management Design and Implementation Activity	157	00N	Activities
Feed Management Design	158	00N	Activities
Grazing Management Design	159	00N	Activities
Prescribed Burning Design	160	00N	Activities
Pest Management Conservation System Design	161	00N	Activities
Soil Health Management System Design	162	00N	Activities
Irrigation Water Management Design	163	00N	Activities
Improved Management of Drainage Water Design	164	00N	Activities
Forest Management Practice Design	165	00N	Activities
Conservation Plan	199	00N	Activities
Edge-of-Field Water Quality Monitoring-Data Collection and Evaluation	201	00N	Activities
Edge-of-Field Water Quality Monitoring-System Installation	202	00N	Activities
Adaptive Management for Soil Health	204	00N	Activities
Feed and Forage Analysis	206	00N	Activities
Site Assessment and Soil Testing for Contaminants Activity	207	00N	Activities
PFAS Testing in Water or Soil	209	00N	Activities
Soil Health Testing	216	00N	Activities
Soil and Source Testing for Nutrient Management	217	00N	Activities
Carbon Sequestration and Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Assessment	218	00N	Activities
Prescribed Grazing Conservation Evaluation and Monitoring Activity	219	00N	Activities
Soil Organic Carbon Stock Monitoring	221	00N	Activities
Indigenous Stewardship Methods Evaluation	222	00N	Activities
Forest Management Assessment	223	00N	Activities
Aquifer Flow Test	224	00N	Activities
Waste Facility Site Suitability and Feasibility Assessment	226	00N	Activities

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
Evaluation of Existing Waste Storage Facility Components	227	00N	Activities
Agricultural Energy Assessment	228	00N	Activities
Feral Swine Damage Assessment	297	00N	Activities
Agrichemical Handling Facility	309	00N	Conservation Practices
Alley Cropping	311	00N	Conservation Practices
Waste Storage Facility	313	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Brush Management	314	00N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Herbaceous Weed Treatment	315	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Animal Mortality Facility	316	00N, 01N, 02N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Composting Facility	317	00N, 01N, 03N	Conservation Practices
On-Farm Secondary Containment Facility	319	00N	Conservation Practices
Irrigation Canal or Lateral	320	00N	Conservation Practices
Deep Tillage	324	00N	Conservation Practices
High Tunnel System	325	00N	Conservation Practices
Clearing and Snagging	326	00N	Conservation Practices
Conservation Cover	327	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Conservation Crop Rotation	328	00N, 03N, 04N	Conservation Practices
Residue and Tillage Management, No Till	329	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Contour Farming	330	00N	Conservation Practices
Contour Orchard and Other Perennial Crops	331	00N	Conservation Practices
Contour Buffer Strips	332	00N	Conservation Practices
Amending Soil Properties with Gypsum Products	333	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Controlled Traffic Farming	334	00N	Conservation Practices
Soil Carbon Amendment	336	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Prescribed Burning	338	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Cover Crop	340	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Critical Area Planting	342	00N	Conservation Practices
Residue and Tillage Management, Reduced Till	345	00N	Conservation Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
Dam, Diversion	348	00N	Conservation Practices
Sediment Basin	350	00N	Conservation Practices
Well Decommissioning	351	00N	Conservation Practices
Controlling Existing Flowing Well	352	00N	Conservation Practices
Monitoring Well	353	00N	Conservation Practices
Groundwater Testing	355	00N	Conservation Practices
Dike and Levee	356	00N	Conservation Practices
Waste Treatment Lagoon	359	00N	Conservation Practices
Waste Facility Closure	360	00N	Conservation Practices
Diversion	362	00N, 01N, 02N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Anaerobic Digester	366	00N	Conservation Practices
Roofs and Covers	367	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Emergency Animal Mortality Management	368	00N, 01N, 02N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Air Filtration and Scrubbing	371	00N, 01N, 02N, 03N, 04N, 05N	Conservation Practices
Combustion System Improvement	372	00N, 01N, 02N, 03N, 04N, 05N, 06N	Conservation Practices
Dust Control on Unpaved Roads and Surfaces	373	00N	Conservation Practices
Energy Efficient Agricultural Operation	374	00N, 01N, 02N, 03N, 04N, 05N, 06N	Conservation Practices
Dust Management for Pen Surfaces	375	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Field Operations Emissions Reduction	376	00N	Conservation Practices
Pond	378	00N	Conservation Practices
Forest Farming	379	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment and Renovation	380	00N	Conservation Practices
Silvopasture	381	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Fence	382	00N, 03N, 04N	Conservation Practices
Fuel Break	383	00N	Conservation Practices
Woody Residue Treatment	384	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
Field Border	386	00N	Conservation Practices
Irrigation Field Ditch	388	00N	Conservation Practices
Riparian Herbaceous Cover	390	00N, 01N, 02N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Riparian Forest Buffer	391	00N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Filter Strip	393	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Firebreak	394	00N	Conservation Practices
Stream Habitat Improvement and Management	395	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Aquatic Organism Passage	396	00N	Conservation Practices
Aquaculture Pond	397	00N	Conservation Practices
Fish Raceway or Tank	398	00N	Conservation Practices
Fishpond Management	399	00N	Conservation Practices
Bivalve Aquaculture Gear and Biofouling Control	400	00N	Conservation Practices
Dam	402	00N	Conservation Practices
Grade Stabilization Structure	410	00N	Conservation Practices
Grassed Waterway	412	00N	Conservation Practices
Wildlife Habitat Planting	420	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Hedgerow Planting	422	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Hillside Ditch	423	00N	Conservation Practices
Irrigation Ditch Lining	428	00N	Conservation Practices
Irrigation Pipeline	430	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Dry Hydrant	432	00N	Conservation Practices
Irrigation Reservoir	436	00N	Conservation Practices
Irrigation System, Microirrigation	441	00N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Sprinkler System	442	00N, 02N, 03N, 04N	Conservation Practices
Irrigation System, Surface and Subsurface	443	00N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Irrigation and Drainage Tailwater Recovery	447	00N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Irrigation Water Management	449	00N, 03N	Conservation Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
Land Reclamation, Toxic Discharge Control	455	00N	Conservation Practices
Land Clearing	460	00N	Conservation Practices
Precision Land Forming and Smoothing	462	00N	Conservation Practices
Irrigation Land Leveling	464	00N	Conservation Practices
Lined Waterway or Outlet	468	00N	Conservation Practices
Access Control	472	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Mulching	484	00N, 02N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Tree/Shrub Site Preparation	490	00N	Conservation Practices
Obstruction Removal	500	00N	Conservation Practices
Forage Harvest Management	511	00N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Pasture and Hay Planting	512	00N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Livestock Pipeline	516	00N	Conservation Practices
Pond Sealing or Lining, Compacted Soil Treatment	520	00N, 01N, 02N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Pond Sealing or Lining, Geomembrane or Geosynthetic Clay Liner	521	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Pond Sealing or Lining - Concrete	522	00N, 01N, 02N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Sinkhole Treatment	527	00N	Conservation Practices
Grazing Management	528	00N, 02N, 03N, 04N	Conservation Practices
Pumping Plant	533	00N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Grazing Land Mechanical Treatment	548	00N	Conservation Practices
Range Planting	550	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Drainage Water Management	554	00N, 02N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Rock Wall Terrace	555	00N	Conservation Practices
Row Arrangement	557	00N	Conservation Practices
Roof Runoff Structure	558	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Access Road	560	00N	Conservation Practices
Heavy Use Area Protection	561	00N	Conservation Practices
Stormwater Runoff Control	570	00N	Conservation Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
Spoil Disposal	572	00N	Conservation Practices
Spring Development	574	00N	Conservation Practices
Trails and Walkways	575	00N	Conservation Practices
Livestock Shelter Structure	576	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Stream Crossing	578	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Streambank and Shoreline Protection	580	00N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Open Channel	582	00N	Conservation Practices
Channel Bed Stabilization	584	00N	Conservation Practices
Stripcropping	585	00N	Conservation Practices
Structure for Water Control	587	00N	Conservation Practices
Nutrient Management	590	00N, 06N, 07N, 08N	Conservation Practices
Amendments for Treatment of Agricultural Waste	591	00N	Conservation Practices
Feed Management	592	00N, 01N, 02N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Pest Management Conservation System	595	00N, 05N, 06N, 07N	Conservation Practices
Terrace	600	00N	Conservation Practices
Vegetative Barrier	601	00N	Conservation Practices
Herbaceous Wind Barriers	603	00N	Conservation Practices
Saturated Buffer	604	00N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Denitrifying Bioreactor	605	00N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Subsurface Drain	606	00N	Conservation Practices
Surface Drain, Field Ditch	607	00N	Conservation Practices
Surface Drain, Main or Lateral	608	00N	Conservation Practices
Salinity and Sodic Soil Management	610	00N	Conservation Practices
Tree/Shrub Establishment	612	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Watering Facility	614	00N	Conservation Practices
Underground Outlet	620	00N	Conservation Practices
Phosphorous Removal System	624	00N	Conservation Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
Waste Treatment	629	00N	Conservation Practices
Vertical Drain	630	00N	Conservation Practices
Waste Separation Facility	632	00N	Conservation Practices
Waste Recycling	633	00N	Conservation Practices
Waste Transfer	634	00N	Conservation Practices
Vegetated Treatment Area	635	00N	Conservation Practices
Water Harvesting Catchment	636	00N	Conservation Practices
Water and Sediment Control Basin	638	00N	Conservation Practices
Waterspreading	640	00N	Conservation Practices
Water Well	642	00N	Conservation Practices
Restoration of Rare or Declining Natural Communities	643	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management	644	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Upland Wildlife Habitat Management	645	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Seasonal Water Management for Wildlife	646	00N	Conservation Practices
Early Successional Habitat Development-Mgt	647	00N	Conservation Practices
Structures for Wildlife	649	00N	Conservation Practices
Road/Trail/Landing Closure and Treatment	654	00N	Conservation Practices
Forest Trails and Landings	655	00N	Conservation Practices
Constructed Wetland	656	00N	Conservation Practices
Wetland Restoration	657	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Wetland Creation	658	00N	Conservation Practices
Wetland Enhancement	659	00N	Conservation Practices
Tree-Shrub Pruning	660	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Forest Stand Improvement	666	00N	Conservation Practices
Energy Efficient Lighting System	670	00N, 01N, 02N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Energy Efficient Building Envelope	672	00N, 01N, 02N, 03N, 04N	Conservation Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
Amending Soil Properties with Lime	805	00N	Interim Conservation Practices
Conservation Harvest Management	809	00N	Interim Conservation Practices
Annual Forages for Grazing Systems	810	00N	Interim Conservation Practices
Raised Beds	812	00N	Interim Conservation Practices
Groundwater Recharge Basin or Trench	815	00N	Interim Conservation Practices
On-Farm Recharge	817	00N	Interim Conservation Practices
Low Tunnel Systems	821	00N	Interim Conservation Practices
Organic Management	823	00N	Interim Conservation Practices
Strategic Harvested Forage Management	827	00N	Interim Conservation Practices
Wildlife Habitat Site Preparation	828	00N	Interim Conservation Practices
TA Planning	910	00N	TSP Codes
TA Design	911	00N	TSP Codes
TA Application	912	00N	TSP Codes
TA Check-Out	913	00N	TSP Codes

Ranking Weights

Factors	Algorithm	Allowable Min	Default	Allowable Max
Vulnerabilities	Default	10	10	40
Planned Practice Effects	Adjustment (D)	15	15	15
Resource Priorities	Default	20	50	60
Program Priorities	Default	5	15	15
Efficiencies	Default	10	10	10

Display Group: ID-FY26 Geographic Area 4 (Active)



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

Survey: Applicability Questions

Section: Geographic Area 4		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Are the Majority of the planned PLUs within the Geographic Area 4 boundary?	Majority of PLUs are within the GA 4 boundary	--
	Otherwise	--

Survey: Category Questions

Section: Categories		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Select all Categories the application meets the criteria for.	Beginning Farmer or Rancher	--
	Socially Disadvantaged Farmer or Rancher	--
	Regenerative Pilot Program	--
	National Air Quality Initiative (NAQI)	--
	National Water Quality Initiative (NWQI)	--
	WaterSMART Initiative (WSI)	--
	Working Lands for Wildlife - Migratory Big Game Initiative (WLFW-MBGI)	--
	Working Lands for Wildlife - Sage Grouse Initiative (WLFW-SGI)	--
	Water Conservation	--
	Cheatgrass Challenge	--
	Local Work Group (LWG) - High Tunnel	--
	Local Work Group (LWG) - Team 15	--
	Local Work Group (LWG) - Team 16	--
	Local Work Group (LWG) - Team 17	--
	Reserve 1	--
	Reserve 2	--
	Reserve 3	--

Survey: Program Questions

Section: Program Questions		
Question	Answer Choices	Points

Section: Program Questions

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Does the plan polygon intersect with an identified Source Water priority watershed?	Yes, plan polygon intersects. If Source Water practices are planned within the watershed to improve an approved resource concern (see Source Water Protection Practices State instruction) use the Wp rate for these practices.	0
	Otherwise	0
Does the applicant meet the NRCS definition of a Veteran farmer or rancher (VFR)?*	YES	5
	NO	0
Did the applicant participate in the CRP Transition Incentives Program (TIP), and has the land in the EQIP application come out of CRP within the last 2 years?*	YES	5
	NO	0
Has the applicant had a contract terminated in the last three years, or do they have an active contract currently in non-compliance for reasons within their control?	YES	-200
	NO	0
Is the applicant a Tribe, or does the applicant have a letter from a Tribe in support of their project?	YES	10
	NO	0
Is the application for only a CPA DIA or CEMA?	YES	25
	NO	0
Water Conservation - Does the submitted project description clearly demonstrate the project improves at least one Source Water Depletion resource concern? *	YES	10
	NO	0
Water Conservation - Is the expected energy conservation benefit estimated to be High, Medium, Low, or None as determined by the review committee?*	High	5
	Medium	2
	Low/None	0
WaterSMART - Does the application intersect a WSI priority area by at least 50%*	Intersects	0
	Otherwise	0
WaterSMART - Does the application include practices that address the priority resource concerns in the approved WSI project area (430, 442, 449, or 587)?*	YES	20
	NO	0
MGBI - Will the project address movement barriers by removing, retrofitting, or replacing existing fences to meet wildlife friendly fence specifications that are presenting an unacceptable barrier to wildlife passage? (select one)*	100% of all fences within PLUs will be retrofitted or removed	7
	50-99% of fences within PLUs will be retrofitted or removed	5
	Less than 50% of fences within PLUs will be retrofitted or removed	0
MGBI - Will any fences be completely removed with this application and not be rebuilt? Obstruction removal (500) must be included in the contract. *	YES	3
	NO	0
MGBI - Select the most applicable fence characteristics to be modified (Greater than 50% of the proposed fence route should meet the qualifier). *	Woven Wire	10
	Greater than 4 wires	7
	Top wire too high or bottom wire too low	4
	None of the above	0

Section: Program Questions

Question	Answer Choices	Points
SGI - Does the contract contain priority practices (314, 327, 342, 383, 390, 410, 500, 528, 550, 612, 643, 644, 645, 649, 657, 659)? Pick one of the next four options:*	3 or more priority practices	10
	2 priority practices	6
	1 priority practice	2
	No Priority Practices	0
RPP - Will all applicable Soil and Water resource concerns be met by the end of the contract on at least one PLU? (either at the time of assessment or with contracted practices)*	YES	5
	NO	0
Cheatgrass Challenge - Is the application addressing invasive annual grass in an approved project area?*	YES	5
	NO	0
NWQI - Do the PLUs included in the application intersect the NWQI national layer of watersheds by at least 50%?*	Yes	0
	Otherwise	0
NWQI - How many Core Practices from the FY2026 NWQI activities list will be included in the contract?*	3 or more Core practices will be contracted	15
	2 Core practices will be contracted	5
	None of the above	0
NWQI - Which of the following practices will be contracted (select all)?*	Nutrient Management - 590	4
	Grazing Management - 528	4
	Residue and Tillage Management, No-till - 329	4
	Irrigation Water Management (Advanced-Telemetry Soil Sensors) - 449	2
	Residue and Tillage Management, Reduced Till - 345	2
	Cover Crop - 340	2
	None of the above	0
NWQI - Does the project improve riparian habitat?*	YES	7
	NO	0
NAQI - Do the PLUs intersect with the identified Wind Erosion Vulnerability area?*	Yes	0
	Otherwise	0
NAQI - Will perennial vegetation be planted to reduce wind erosion?*	Perennial vegetation will be planted on at least 75% of the contracted acres	15
	Perennial vegetation will be planted on 50-74% of the contracted acres	10
	Perennial vegetation will be planted on 25-49% of the contracted acres	5
	None of the above	0
NAQI - What is the highest C Factor that the application PLU intersects? *	C Factor is 50 or 60	5
	C Factor is 30 or 40	3
	C Factor is 10 or 20	2
	Otherwise	0

Section: Program Questions

Question	Answer Choices	Points
NAQI - Will risk of wildfire be reduced with installation of 314, 383, 384, 394, 528, 660, or 666? (CPS 314 and 660 are supporting and must accompany an approved primary NAQI practice.)*	YES	20
	NO	0

Survey: Resource Questions

Section: National Water Quality Initiative (NWQI)*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Do the PLUs intersect the critical source areas identified in the NWQI watershed assessment?*	Intersects	3
	Otherwise	0

Section: WaterSMART Initiative (WSI)*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Will the planning criteria for the primary water quantity resource concern in an approved WSI project be met on one or more PLUs in the application?*	YES	1
	NO	0

Section: Water Conservation*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Is the expected water conservation benefit estimated to be High, Medium, Low as determined by the review committee?*	High	5
	Medium	1
	Low/None	0

Section: Working Lands for Wildlife - Migratory Big Game Initiative (WLFW-MBGI)*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Does the application intersect with any of the following State Priority Layers? (answer all that apply)*	Big Game Migration Routes and Stopovers	5
	Big Game Priority Areas	5
	All other Areas of Idaho	0
Do the planned practices address one or more of the following threats? (answer all that apply)*	Obstruction to big game migration	5
	Habitat degradation	3
	Exotic annual grass invasion, tree encroachment, riparian or winter range degradation, and land use conversion	2
	None of the Above	0
Will a new fence be installed where there wasn't one before OR is an irrigation system included in this application? *	YES	-5
	NO	0

Section: Working Lands for Wildlife - Sage Grouse Initiative (WLFW-SGI)*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
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Section: Working Lands for Wildlife - Sage Grouse Initiative (WLFW-SGI)*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Does the application intersect with the States Priority Layers? (Only choose one answer). *	Priority	10
	Important	7
	General	2
	Otherwise	0
Do the planned practices address threats identified for Sage Grouse? (Use state specific SGI Threats Checklist or SGI Wildlife Habitat Evaluation Guide for determination. Only choose one answer). At least one identified threat must be addressed*	All identified threats addresses	5
	50-75% of identified threats addressed	3
	less than 50% of identified threats addressed	1
Will any of the following threats be addressed? Wildfire and cheatgrass invasion threatening sagebrush-grassland habitat, Conifer expansion, Mesic areas dewatered failing to provide brood rearing habitat, plant species diversity inadequate in brood rearing habitats.*	YES	5
	NO	0

Section: National Air Quality Initiative (NAQI)*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Is an Air Quality resource concern being improved? *	YES	1
	NO	0

Section: Regenerative Pilot Program*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
How many of the following primary RPP practices will be contracted: 328, 329, 340, 345, 449, 528, 590, 595?	4 or greater	12
	2 or 3	8
	1	4
	none	0
What percentage of enrolled acres have all soil and water resource concerns met with implementation of the contract.	80% or greater	13
	50-79%	9
	25-49%	5
	less than 25%	0

Section: applicable to all

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Which Team does the majority of the applications acres fall within?	Team 15	--
	Team 16	--
	Team 17	--
	Otherwise	--

Section: Team 15*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
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Section: Team 15*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Do the planned practices increase irrigation efficiency by:	greater than 20%	13
	10-20%	8
	less than 10%	4
	None of the above	0
Will Advanced (Telemetry Sensors) Irrigation Water Management (449) be contracted?	YES	4
	NO	0
Does the proposed project include a conservation practice that reduces wind and water erosion on cropland by:	5.0 tons/acre or more	8
	3.0 to 4.9 tons/acre	5
	0.1 to 2.9 tons/acre	2
	None of the above	0
Does the proposed project include a conservation practice that improves soil organic matter on cropland?	YES	3
	NO	0
How many of the following practices will be contracted to improve livestock production on rangeland or pasture: 528, 314, 550, 512, 315, 614, 382?	3 or more	6
	2	3
	0-1	0
Does the proposed project include a conservation practice that improves degraded plant condition on rangeland or pasture?	YES	2
	NO	0
Does the proposed project include a conservation practice that improves terrestrial or aquatic habitat?	YES	3
	NO	0

Section: Team 16*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Answer one of the following regarding irrigation water savings according to FIRI (average results for all contracted irrigation systems)	The estimated reduction in gross water applied is greater than 21%	17
	The estimated reduction in gross water applied is 12-21%	12
	The estimated reduction in gross water applied is less than 12%	5
	None of the above	0
Will the planned practices include a conversion to residue and tillage management?	Yes, No-till (329)	5
	Yes, Reduced till (345)	4
	None of the Above	0
Will the planned practices increase the amount of time during the year that there is a living root in the soil and/or living cover on crop fields?	YES	6
	NO	0
Will Livestock Production Limitations be improved through implementation of one or more of the following: range planting, pasture planting, fencing, water development, herbaceous weed control, or following a grazing plan?	3 or more	8
	2	6
	1	3
	0	0

Section: Team 16*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Will the planned practices reduce field sediment, nutrient, or pesticide loss?	YES	3
	NO	0

Section: Team 17*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Will the project improve the quality, quantity, and distribution of livestock water?	Yes, 0 factors met before the project to all 3 met after	15
	Yes, 1 factor met before the project to all 3 met after	9
	Yes, 2 factors met before the project to all 3 met after	5
	None of the above	0
Will the project include installation of a new livestock watering system and result in pulling livestock off stream(s)?	Yes, and stream will be fenced off	14
	Yes, but stream will not be fenced off	8
	No	0
Will a solar pump be installed to provide water to livestock?	Yes, it is replacing a diesel/gas generator	5
	Yes, it is new	3
	No	0
Will cross fencing be planned to improve grazing distribution?	YES	5
	NO	0

Section: High Tunnels*

Question	Answer Choices	Points
How will products grown in the high tunnel be utilized (select all):	Products will be sold commercially	2
	Products will be donated to the public (e.g. food banks)	1
	None of the above	0
How long has the land where the high tunnel will be installed been used for crop production?	5 years or more	4
	48-59 mo	3
	36-47 mo	2
	24-35 mo	1
	23 months or less	0
Is the applicant a BFR or SDFR?	YES	1
	NO	0

Detailed Assessments

Name	Type	Jurisdiction	Status
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