

Ranking Pool Report

Ranking Pool FY26 New Mexico North Area
EQIP

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 NM (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	--	--	--	--	--

Resource Concern Categories

Categories			
Category	Min %	Default %	Max %
Air (Air quality emissions)	0	5	100
Animals (Aquatic habitat)	0	5	100
Animals (Livestock production limitation)	0	5	100
Animals (Terrestrial habitat)	0	5	100
Energy (Inefficient energy use)	0	5	100
Plants (Degraded plant condition)	0	5	100
Plants (Fire management)	0	5	100
Plants (Pest pressure)	0	5	100
Soil (Concentrated erosion)	0	10	100
Soil (Soil quality limitations)	0	10	100
Soil (Wind and water erosion)	0	5	100
Water (Field pesticide loss)	0	5	100
Water (Field sediment, nutrient and pathogen loss)	0	5	100

Categories

Category	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water (Salt losses to water)	0	5	100
Water (Source water depletion)	0	10	100
Water (Storage and handling of pollutants)	0	5	100
Water (Weather resilience)	0	5	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 %
Plant Health (Plant productivity and health)	0	50	100

Plants (Degraded plant condition)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
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
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
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
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
Dam, Diversion	348	00N	Conservation Practices
Sediment Basin	350	00N	Conservation Practices
Well Decommissioning	351	00N	Conservation Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
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
Field Border	386	00N	Conservation Practices
Irrigation Field Ditch	388	00N	Conservation Practices
Riparian Herbaceous Cover	390	00N, 01N, 02N, 03N	Conservation Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
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
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
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

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
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
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
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
Spoil Disposal	572	00N	Conservation Practices
Spring Development	574	00N	Conservation Practices
Trails and Walkways	575	00N	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

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
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
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
Waste Treatment	629	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
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

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
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
Annual Forages for Grazing Systems	810	00N	Interim Conservation Practices
Raised Beds	812	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
Animal Mortality Management	830	00N	Interim Conservation Practices

Ranking Weights

Factors	Algorithm	Allowable Min	Default	Allowable Max
Vulnerabilities	Default	10	20	40
Planned Practice Effects	Adjustment (D)	15	15	15

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

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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
Is the application predominately located in the North Area of New Mexico?	Yes, the application is predominately located in the North Area of New Mexico.	--
	Otherwise	--

Survey: Category Questions

Section: Category Questions- Specialized Funding & Reserve. All are non-geospatial.		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Choose the applicable categories for this application. Ensure the assessment is eligible and applicable to the category definition provided in state ranking guidance.	Beginning Farmer/Rancher (BFR)	--
	Socially Disadvantaged Farmer/Rancher (SDFR)	--
	Wildlife	--
	NWQI- Animas River- Team 1	--
	WaterSMART- Team 2	--
	WaterSMART- Team 5	--
	Source Water-Team 1	--
	Source Water- Team 3	--
	Urban- Team 2	--
	Regenerative Pilot Program	--
	Not applicable. The EQIP application does not fall into any specialized funding.	--
	Reserve	--
	Reserve	--
	Reserve	--

Section: Categories - General Team		
Question	Answer Choices	Points

Section: Categories - General Team

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Choose the applicable categories for this application. Ensure the assessment is eligible and applicable to the category definition provided in state ranking guidance.	Team 1 - Irrigated Crop and/or Pasture	--
	Team 1 - Rangeland	--
	Team 1 - Forest	--
	Team 2 - Irrigated Crop and/or Pasture	--
	Team 2 - Dry Crop	--
	Team 2 - Rangeland	--
	Team 2 - Forest	--
	Team 3 - Irrigated Crop and/or Pasture	--
	Team 3 - Rangeland	--
	Team 3 - Forest	--
	Team 4 - Irrigated Crop and/or Pasture	--
	Team 4 - Rangeland	--
	Team 4 - Forest	--
	Team 5 - Irrigated Crop and/or Pasture	--
	Team 5 - Rangeland	--
	Team 5 - Forest	--
	Team 6 - Irrigated Crop	--
	Team 6 - Pasture	--
	Team 6 - Dry Crop	--
	Team 6 - Range	--
	Team 6 - Forest	--

Survey: Program Questions

Section: General Program Questions

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Did the applicant self certify as a Beginning Farmer/Rancher on the NRCS-CPA-1200?*	YES	4
	NO	0
Did the applicant self-certify as a Socially Disadvantaged Farmer/Rancher on the NRCS-CPA-1200?*	YES	4
	NO	0
Does the applicant meet the NRCS definition of a veteran farmer or rancher (VFR) on the NRCS-CPA-1200?*	YES	4
	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	4
	NO	0

Section: General Program Questions

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Is the program application to develop a Conservation Planning Activity (CPA), Design and Implementation Activity (DIA), or Conservation Evaluation and Monitoring Activity (CEMA) beside CEMA 216 for the Regenerative Pilot Program?	YES	4
	NO	0
Irrigated Crop and/or Pasture: Does the application included management, vegetative, or structural practices on irrigated cropland or pasture?	YES	--
	NO	--
Dry Crop: Does the application include management, vegetative, or structural practices on "dry" cropland?	YES	--
	NO	--
Rangeland: Does the application included management, vegetative, or structural practices on rangeland?	YES	--
	NO	--
Forest: Does the application included management, vegetative, or structural practices on forestland?	YES	--
	NO	--
Animal Feeding Operation: Does the application included management, vegetative, or structural practices on an animal feeding operation?	YES	--
	NO	--

Section: Wildlife - Teams 1-6

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Wildlife: Does the application include practices to improve wildlife habitat?*	YES	--
	NO	--
Wildlife: Does the application include one or more practices which will protect/enhance habitat for an at-risk species (Federal, State or Tribal listed Threatened, Endangered or candidate species)?*	YES	2
	NO	0
Wildlife: Conservation treatment will enhance habitat where the project (treatment area) is directly adjacent to an existing U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Easement, National Wildlife Refuge, National Park, BLM Wilderness and Wilderness Study Area, USFWS Wilderness, Forest Service land, Tribal land, or private lands under conservation easement or other legally protected area the tis managed for wildlife.*	YES	2
	NO	0
Wildlife: Will the proposed project improve habitat for pollinators by contracting vegetative practices that are designed to provide food resources for pollinators and beneficial insects or improve habitat for pollinators by including Integrated Pest Management (595)*	YES	1
	NO	0

Section: Wildlife - Teams 1-6

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Wildlife: Extent of Habitat Improvement (Select Yes to Only One Answer)*	Conservation treatment area is greater than 50 percent of the management unit (pasture, field or greater than 50 acres or 0.5 mile in length.	4
	Conservation treatment area is greater than 25 percent of the management unit (pasture, field) or greater than 25 acres in 0.25 mile in length.	3
	Conservation treatment project is greater than 10 percent of the management unit (pasture, field) or greater than 10 acres or 0.10 mile in length.	2
	Conservation treatment project is less than 10 percent of the management unit (pasture, field) or less than 10 acres or less than .10 miles in length or is as single point habitat improvement that has a significant benefit.	1
	Not applicable.	0
Wildlife: Will the proposed project address movement barriers by: (Select all that apply)*	Completely removing a fence(s) and not rebuilt? Obstruction Removal (500) must be included in the contract.	1
	Modifying the existing fence (great than 50% of the proposed fence route) from woven wire.	1
	Modifying the existing fence (great than 50% of the proposed fence route) to less than 5 wires.	1
	Modifying the existing fence (great than 50% of the proposed fence route) top wire that is too high over 44 inches.	1
	Modifying the existing fence (great than 50% of the proposed fence route) bottom from barbed to smooth.	1
	Not applicable.	0
Wildlife: Conservation treatment based on Wildlife Habitat Evaluation Guides (WHEGs) and Pollinator Habitat Assessment (PHA): (Select all that apply)*	A beneficial structure and or management practice is planned within a riparian area where the Riparian WHEG benchmark score is less than 0.5 and over .5 after.	1
	Pollinator habitat will be restored or enhanced. The PHA will have a minimum after score of 110 and have a minimum increase of 20 points from benchmark.	1
	Will food, shelter and /or cover for plants and or animal species be restored or enhanced? WHEG bench mark score is greater or equal to 0.5.	1
	Not applicable.	0
Wildlife: Does the application suppress noxious and invasive weeds on noncropland. (Listed on the "New Mexico Noxious Weed List- Updated Jun 2020" found on NM efotg).*	YES	1
	NO	0

Section: Wildlife - Teams 1-6

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Wildlife: Will the application address the resource concern of: (Select all that apply)*	Inadequate Habitat- Continuity (Space).	1
	Inadequate Habitat- (Food).	1
	Inadequate Habitat (Water).	1
	Inadequate Habitat (Cover/shelter).	1
	Not applicable.	0

Section: Organic Teams 1-6

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Organic: Has the applicant self-certified the operation as certified organic, transitioning to become certified organic, or exempt from certified organic on the NRCS-CPA-1200 4.d?	YES	--
	NO	--
Organic: Does the EQIP Conservation Plan and Schedule of Operations include practices that will increase the diversity of plants on the land unit, such as, Conservation Cover (327), Range Planting (550), Forage and Biomass Planting (512), Filter Strip (393) and Hedgerow Planting (422)?*	YES	4
	NO	0
Organic: Does the EQIP schedule of operations include implementation of nutrient management for management of soil fertility, plant nutrients, and soil amendments?*	YES	4
	NO	0
Organic: Does the EQIP schedule of operations include implementation of one soil health or enhancing practice that address soil tilth, crusting, water infiltration, organic matter, compaction, etc.?*	YES	4
	NO	0
Organic: Does the EQIP schedule of operations include practices that will result in creation of buffer zones that will mitigate offsite contaminants from entering the farm?*	YES	4
	NO	0
Organic: Does the EQIP schedule of operations include practices that will utilize prevention, avoiding, monitoring, and suppression (PAMS), such as rotating crops to reduce pest pressure?*	YES	4
	NO	0

Section: High Tunnel

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Irrigated Crop and/or Pasture: Will the applicant be installing a High Tunnel practice (325) on the inventoried PLU?*	YES	--
	NO	--
Irrigated Crop/Pasture: Has the applicant installed a High Tunnel through a previous EQIP contract?*	YES	-10
	NO	0

Section: High Tunnel

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Irrigated Crop and/or Pasture: Runoff and the High Tunnel, please answer only one*	Will the proposed project include a High Tunnel System (325) structure that will be placed in an area where runoff from the structure will not cause flooding, ponding or soil erosion resource concerns.	6
	Will the proposed project include a High Tunnel System (325) structure and other conservation practices which are included to address runoff from the structure to minimize flooding, ponding or soil erosion resource concerns caused by the runoff from the high tunnel.	3
	Not applicable.	0
Irrigated Crop and/or Pasture: Will the proposed project improve irrigation efficiency by contracting the following, please only pick one*	Will the proposed project improve irrigation efficiency by contracting at least three of the following practices: Irrigation System Micro-Irrigation (441), Sprinkler System (442), Irrigation Pipeline (430), Irrigation Water Management (449), Structure for Water Control (587)	6
	Will the proposed project improve irrigation efficiency by contracting at least one of the following practices: Irrigation System Micro-Irrigation (441), Sprinkler System (442), Irrigation Pipeline (430), Irrigation Water Management (449), Structure for Water Control (587)	3
	Not applicable.	0
Irrigated Crop and/Pasture: Does the application include a high tunnel for which the applicant has an established off-farm market which will benefit by extending the growing season or improving plant condition of a crop type consistent with the current farm enterprise?*	YES	8
	NO	2

Section: Urban

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Are greater than 50% of the land units in the conservation plan within the Urban Agriculture Layer?*	Are greater than 50% of the land units in the conservation plan within the Urban Agriculture Layer?	--
	Otherwise	--
Will the products grown supply food in areas identified as a Food Desert?*	Will the products grown supply food in areas identified as a Food Desert?	6
	Otherwise	0
Will practices in this application assist producers who are part of New Mexico Grown or other local food initiative that can be documented?*	YES	7
	NO	0
What is the closest distance to market from where the agricultural products are produced?*	5 miles or less.	7
	>5 to 25 miles.	5
	>25 to 50 miles.	3
	over 50 miles.	2
	Not applicable.	0

Section: NWQI- Animas River

Question	Answer Choices	Points
NWQI: The PLUs included in the application intersect the NWQI layer by at least 50%.*	The PLUs included in the application intersect the NWQI layer by at least 50%.	--
	Otherwise	--
NWQI: The practices in the application are predominantly practices which are identified in the NWQI watershed assessment. *	YES	--
	NO	--
NWQI: Do the PLUs intersect the critical source areas identified in the NWQI watershed assessment?*	YES	8
	NO	0
NWQI: Will core practices for erosion control like Critical Area Planting, Grade Stabilization Structure, Streambank and Shoreline Protection, Water and Sediment Control Basin be included in the contract?*	YES	6
	NO	0
NWQI: Will controlling and trapping core practices for establishment of permanent vegetation (Field Border, Riparian Herbaceous Cover, Filter Strip, Tree/Shrub Establishment be included in the contract?*	YES	5
	NO	0
NWQI: Will livestock related core practices in the (avoiding) category such as Access Control, Prescribed Grazing, Heavy Use Area Protection, Trails and Walkways, be included in the contract?*	YES	4
	NO	0

Section: WaterSMART

Question	Answer Choices	Points
WaterSMART: The PLUs included in the application intersect a state-developed geodata layer for WSI priority areas by at least 50%.*	The PLUs included in the application intersect a state-developed geodata layer for WSI priority areas by at least 50%.	--
	Otherwise	--
WaterSMART Team 2: The PLUs included in the application intersect Team 2 by at least 1%.*	The PLUs included in the application intersect Team 2 by at least 1%.	--
	Otherwise	--
WaterSMART Team 2: Will the planning criteria for the primary water quantity resource concerns in an approved WSI project be met on one or more PLU?*	YES	3
	NO	0
WaterSMART Team 2: Will selected resource concern(s) be addressed by installing a combination of irrigation system improvements and/or land management practices which will increase irrigation efficiency?*	Increase irrigation efficiency by .5-1% as calculated using FIRI?	1
	Increase irrigation efficiency by 1-3% as calculated using FIRI?	2
	Increase irrigation efficiency by 3-5% as calculated using FIRI?	3
	Increase irrigation efficiency by 5-10% as calculated using FIRI?	4
	Increase irrigation efficiency by 10-20% as calculated using FIRI?	5
	Increase irrigation efficiency by 20-30% as calculated using FIRI?	6
	Increase irrigation efficiency by >30 as calculated using FIRI?	7
	Not applicable.	0
WaterSMART Team 2: Will the planning criteria for the secondary resource concerns in an approved WSI project be met on one or more PLU?*	YES	1
	NO	0

Section: WaterSMART

Question	Answer Choices	Points
WaterSMART Team 5: The PLUs included in the application intersect Team 5 by at least 1%.*	The PLUs included in the application intersect Team 5 by at least 1%.	--
	Otherwise	--
WaterSMART Team 5: Will the planning criteria for the primary water quantity resource concerns in an approved WSI project be met on one or more PLUs in the application?*	YES	3
	NO	0
WaterSMART Team 5: Will new practices or infrastructure be installed to address or replace the following?*	Will a new practice be installed to address inefficient use of irrigated water?	6
	Will new infrastructure be installed to replace existing infrastructure that has exceeded their lifespan according to NRCS guidelines and no longer functions?	4
	Not applicable.	0

Section: Source Water Team 1

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Are the majority of the PLUs in the FY26 New Mexico Source Water Priority Area?*	Are the majority of the PLUs in the FY26 New Mexico Source Water Priority Area?	--
	Otherwise	--
Does the application contain source water conservation practices to address water quality and or quantity?*	YES	5
	NO	0
Does the application address source water depletion by increasing the irrigation efficiency as evaluated using FIRI on irrigation lands?*	YES	5
	NO	0
Will this application address field sediment transported to surface water?*	YES	5
	NO	0
Will this application address nutrient and pathogen loss, pathogens and chemicals from manure, biosolids or compost applications transported to surface water by installing practices that protect the water channels?*	YES	5
	NO	0

Section: Source Water Team 3

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Are the majority of the PLUs in the FY26 New Mexico Source Water Priority Area?*	Are the majority of the PLUs in the FY26 New Mexico Source Water Priority Area?	--
	Otherwise	--
Does the application contain source water conservation practices to address water quality and or quantity.*	YES	20
	NO	0

Section: Regenerative Pilot Program

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Does the applicant's whole farm plan meet NRCS planning criteria in the soil and water resource categories? If no, the application is not eligible for the Regenerative Pilot Program. *	YES	--
	NO	--

Section: Regenerative Pilot Program

Question	Answer Choices	Points
The applicant must be willing to develop a whole farm plan and include soil testing by planning CEM 216 in the first and last year of the contract. If no, the application is not eligible for the Regenerative Pilot Program. *	YES	--
	NO	--
How many primary regenerative management practices are part of the application? These need to be newly planned practices, not existing primary practices. CEMAs are not considered a "practice". Do not count CEMA 216 for this question. *	1-2 primary regenerative management practices	1
	3-5 primary regenerative management practices.	2
	5 or more regenerative management practices.	3
	Not applicable.	0

Survey: Resource Questions

Section: General Forestry Questions

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Forest: Does a forestry PLU intersect a focal area within the NM State Forest Action Plan by 1% or greater?*	Does a forestry PLU intersect a focal area within the NM State Forest Action Plan by 1% or greater?	4
	Otherwise	0
Forest: Does a forestry PLU intersect a priority landscape within the NM State Forest Action Plan by 1% or greater?*	Forest: Does a forestry PLU intersect a priority landscape within the NM State Forest Action Plan by 1% or greater?	4
	Otherwise	0
Forest: How will the resource concern of wildfire hazard excessive biomass accumulation or inadequate structure and composition be addressed? Pick one only*	Will the resource concern of wildfire hazard excessive biomass accumulation or inadequate structure and composition be addressed? (EX. 666- Forest Stand Improvement, heavy density, be completed? (>60 sq.ft. BA or >800 stems/ac. removed)	3
	Will the resource concern of wildfire hazard excessive biomass accumulation or inadequate structure and composition be addressed? (EX. 666- Forest Stand Improvement, medium density, be completed? 40-60 sqft. BA or 300-800 stems/ac. removed)	2
	Will the resource concern of wildlife hazard excessive biomass accumulation or inadequate structure and composition be addressed? (EX. 666- Forest Stand Improvement, light density, be completed? (<40 sq.ft.BA or <300 stems/ac. removed)	1
	Not applicable.	0
Forest: Will the resource concern of wildfire hazard excessive biomass accumulation and inadequate structure and composition be addressed which could prevent catastrophic fires with 383- Fuel Break?*	YES	3
	NO	0

Section: General Forestry Questions

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Forest: Inadequate Water- Select one answer*	Will the resource concern inadequate water be addressed in areas where natural surface water exists? (Ex. 574- Spring Development)	3
	Will the resource concern inadequate water be addressed in areas where natural surface water does NOT exist? (Ex. 642- Water Well)	1
	Not applicable.	0
Forest: Will the proposed treatment retain dead snags or lumps of trees to provide thermal and hiding cover for wildlife on contracted acres.*	YES	3
	NO	0

Section: Team 1 Aztec, Crownpoint, Gallup, Grants

Question	Answer Choices	Points
The application is predominately located in Team 1- New Mexico*	The application is predominately located in Team 1- New Mexico	--
	Otherwise	--
Irrigated Crop and/or Pasture: Will 1 or more priority resource concerns categories identified by the Local Work Group be addressed in this contract (Source water depletion, Degraded plant condition, Soil Quality Limitations, Water Quality Degradation, and Wind & water erosion)?*	The proposed contract will address 1 to 2 of these priority resource concerns categories.	1
	The proposed contract will address 3 to 4 of these priority resource concerns categories.	2
	The proposed contract will address all 5 priority resource concerns categories.	3
	Not applicable.	0
Irrigated Crop and/or Pasture: Select All Applicable Resource Concerns*	Will the resource concern Insufficient Water: Inefficient Use of Irrigation Water be addressed by converting the current irrigation system to a more efficient irrigation system as evaluated utilizing FIRI?	1
	Will the resource concern Inadequate Feed and Forage be addressed on Pastureland (ie Pasture and Hay Planting)?	1
	Will the resource concern Soil Quality Degradation: Organic Matter Depletion be addressed?	1
	Will the Resource Concern of Undesirable Plant Productivity and Health be addressed?	1
	Will the resource concerns Nutrients and Sediment Transported to Ground and Surface Water be addressed?	1
	Will the resource concern Soil Erosion: sheet, rill, or wind be addressed?	1
	Will the resource concern of Organic Matter Depletion be addressed? (Ex: Conservation Crop Rotation, Cover Crop)	1
	Not applicable.	0

Section: Team 1 Aztec, Crownpoint, Gallup, Grants

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Rangeland: Will 1 or more priority resource concern categories identified by the Local Work Group be addressed in this contract (Livestock Production Limitation, Degraded Plant Condition, Concentrated Erosion, Terrestrial Habitat)?*	The proposed contract will address 1 to 2 of these priority resource concern categories.	1
	The proposed contract will address 3 to 4 of these priority resource concern categories.	2
	The proposed contract will address all 4 of these priority resource concerns categories.	3
	Not applicable.	0
Rangeland: Select All Applicable Resource Concerns*	Will the planned activities address Inadequate livestock water quality, quantity, or distribution with the use of practices such as water well, pumping plant, watering facility, or livestock pipeline?	1
	Will planned activities address the resource concern of Degraded Plant Condition-Plant Structure and Composition (ie Brush Management)?	1
	Will planned activities address the resource concern of Degraded Plant Condition-Plant Productivity and Health (ie Fence)?	1
	Will planned activities address the resource concern of Classic Gully Erosion?	1
	Will planned activities address the resource concern of Terrestrial Habitat?	1
	Not applicable.	0
Rangeland: Will this application address multiple resource concerns by implementing management practices that allow the applicant to change from a continuous grazing system to a rotational grazing system?*	YES	1
	NO	0
Forest: Will 1 or more priority resource concern category identified by the LWG be addressed in this contract (Degraded Plant Condition, Concentrated Soil Erosion, Soil Quality Limitations, Livestock Production Limitation, Terrestrial Habitat)?*	The proposed contract will address 1 to 2 of these priority resource concerns.	1
	The proposed contract will address 3 to 4 of these priority resource concerns.	2
	The proposed contract will address all 5 priority resource concerns.	3
Forest: Select All Applicable Resource Concerns*	Does the proposed contract address Degraded Plant Condition with practices such as Forest Stand Improvement (666) and Woody Residue Treatment (384)?	1
	Does the proposed contract address Terrestrial Habitat by retaining clumps of trees to provide thermal and hiding cover?	1
	Does the proposed contract address Inadequate Water or Inadequate Feed and Forage?	1
	Not applicable.	0
Forest: Will the resource concern Degraded Plant Condition: Plant Productivity and Health be addressed by contracting a practice(s) on the identified needed area?*	More than 75% of the identified needed treatment area will be addressed.	3
	More than 50%, but less than 75% of the identified treatment area will be addressed.	2
	Less than 50% of the identified treatment area will be addressed.	1
	Not applicable.	0

Section: Team 2 Albuquerque, Cuba, Los Lunas

Question	Answer Choices	Points
The application is predominately located in Team 2- New Mexico*	The application is predominately located in Team 2- New Mexico	--
	Otherwise	--
Irrigated Crop and/or Pasture: Will 1 or more priority resource concern categories identified by the Local Work Group be addressed in this contract (Source Water Depletion, Soil Quality Limitations, Degraded Plant Condition, Terrestrial Habitat, Livestock Production Limitation). The entire category needs to be addressed to answer question correctly.*	The proposed contract will address 1 to 2 of these priority resource concern categories.	1
	The proposed contract will address 3 to 4 of these priority resource concern categories.	2
	The proposed contract will address all 5 priority resource concern categories.	3
	Not applicable.	0
Irrigated Crop and/or Pasture: Does the application include any of the practices below that will address a LWG priority resource concern category?*	(340) Cover Crop	1
	(328) Conservation Crop Rotation	1
	(345) Residue and Tillage Management, Reduced Till	1
	(329) Residue and Tillage Management, No-Till	1
	(441) Irrigation System, Microirrigation	1
	(464) Irrigation Land Leveling	1
	Not applicable.	0
Dry Crop: Will 1 or more priority resource concern categories identified by the Local Work Group (LWG) be addressed in this contract (Soil Quality Limitations, Degraded Plant Condition, Terrestrial Habitat, Wind and Water Erosion, Concentrated Erosion)? The entire category needs to be addressed to answer question correctly.*	The proposed contract will address 1 to 2 of these priority resource concern categories.	1
	The proposed contract will address 3 to 4 of these priority resource concern categories.	2
	The proposed contract will address all 5 priority resource concern categories.	3
	Not applicable.	0
Rangeland: Will 1 or more priority resource concern categories identified by the Local Work Group (LWG) be addressed in this contract (Degraded Plant Condition, Livestock Production Limitation, Wind and Water Erosion, Fire Management, Pest Pressure). The entire category needs to be addressed to answer question correctly.*	The proposed contract will address 1 to 2 of these priority resource concerns.	1
	The proposed contract will address 3 to 4 of these priority resource concerns.	2
	The proposed contract will address all 5 priority resource concerns.	3
	Not applicable.	0
Rangeland: Does the proposed contract include a practice to implement a Prescribed Grazing Rotation System?*	Does the application included 528 (Prescribed Grazing) that utilizes the key forage species and defers grazing on the applied acres, on average, greater than 50% of the growing season?	2
	Does the application included 528 (Prescribed Grazing) that utilizes the key forage species and defers grazing on the applied acres, on average, 25% -50% of the growing season?	1
	Not applicable.	0

Section: Team 2 Albuquerque, Cuba, Los Lunas

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Rangeland: Does the application include any of the practices below that will address a LWG priority resource concern category?- Select all that apply.*	(645) Upland Wildlife Habitat Management	1
	(410) Grade Stabilization	1
	(314) Brush Management	1
	Not applicable.	0
Forest: Will 1 or more priority resource concern categories identified by the Local Work Group (LWG) be addressed in this contract (Fire Management, Degraded Plant Condition, Terrestrial Habitat, Pest Pressure, Wind and Water Erosion). The entire category needs to be addressed to answer question correctly.*	The proposed contract will address 1 to 2 of these priority resource concern categories.	1
	The proposed contract will address 3 to 4 of these priority resource concern categories.	2
	The proposed contract will address all 5 priority resource concern categories.	3
	Not applicable.	0

Section: Team 3 Chama, Hernandez, Santa Fe, Taos

Question	Answer Choices	Points
The application is predominately located in Team 3- New Mexico*	The application is predominately located in Team 3- New Mexico	--
	Otherwise	--
Irrigated Crop and/or Pasture: Will 1 or more priority resource concerns identified by the Local Work Group be addressed in this contract (Inefficient Use of Irrigation Water; Sheet/Rill; Wind Erosion, Salts in Ground Water, Organic Matter Depletion)*	The proposed contract will address 1 to 2 of these priority resource concerns.	1
	The proposed contract will address 3 to 4 of these priority resource concerns.	2
	The proposed contract will address all 5 priority resource concerns.	3
	Not applicable.	0
Irrigated Crop and/or Pasture: Does the application include practices that will implement conservation tillage (345 and/or 329), cover cropping (340), or will plant the land to permanent native vegetation (512, 327)?*	YES	1
	NO	0
Irrigated Crop and/or Pasture: Is 587 (Structure for Water Control) planned to address Inefficient Use of Irrigation Water?*	YES	1
	NO	0
Forest: Will 1 or more priority resource concerns identified by the Local Work Group be addressed in this contract (Wildfire Hazard, Inadequate Structure and Composition, Inadequate Livestock Water, Classic Gully Erosion, Sheet/Rill Erosion, Wind Erosion)*	The proposed contract will address 1 to 2 of these priority resource concerns.	1
	The proposed contract will address 3 to 4 of these priority resource concerns.	2
	The proposed contract will address 5-6 priority resource concerns.	3
	Not applicable.	0
Forest: Is the primary objective of this application to conduct salvage and sanitation harvesting to removed dead, dying, or insect/disease infected trees to address pest pressure or wildfire hazard?*	YES	1
	NO	0
Rangeland: Will 1 or more priority resource concerns identified by the Local Work Group be addressed in this contract (Undesirable Plant Productivity, Inadequate Structure and Composition, Sheet/Rill Erosion, Wind Erosion, Inadequate Water for Livestock)*	The proposed contract will address 1 to 2 of these priority resource concerns.	1
	The proposed contract will address 3 to 4 of these priority resource concerns.	2
	The proposed contract will address all 5 priority resource concerns.	3
	Not applicable.	0

Section: Team 3 Chama, Hernandez, Santa Fe, Taos

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Rangeland: Does the proposed contract include a practice to implement a Prescribed Grazing Rotation System?*	Does the application included 528 (Prescribed Grazing) that utilizes the key forage species and defers grazing on the applied acres, on average, greater than 50% of the growing season?	1
	Does the application included 528 (Prescribed Grazing) that utilizes the key forage species and defers grazing on the applied acres, on average, 25% -50% of the growing season?	0
	Not applicable.	0
Rangeland: Will the proposed contract address Degraded Plant Condition with Brush Management (314)*	YES	1
	NO	0

Section: Team 4 Las Vegas, Mora, Raton

Question	Answer Choices	Points
The application is predominately located in Team 4- New Mexico*	The application is predominately located in Team 4- New Mexico	--
	Otherwise	--
Irrigated Crop and/or Pasture: Will 1 or more priority resource concerns identified by the Local Work Group be addressed in this contract? (Plant Productivity and Health, Feed and Forage Balance, Organic Matter Depletion, Soil Organism Habitat Loss or Degradation, Inefficient Irrigation Water Use, Surface Water Depletion)*	The proposed contract will address 1 to 2 of these priority resource concerns.	1
	The proposed contract will address 3 to 4 of these priority resource concerns.	2
	The proposed contract will address 5 to 6 of these priority resource concerns?	3
	Not applicable.	0
Irrigation Crop and/or Pasture: Will the planned activities improve irrigation efficiency as determined by the NRCS Farm Irrigation Rating Index (FIRI) Program and will address the resource concern, inefficient irrigation water use?*	FIRI shows improvement more than 15 points.	3
	FIRI shows improvement of 5 -15 points	2
	FIRI shows improvement less than 5 points.	1
	No improvements are planned to improve irrigation efficiency.	0
Irrigation Crop and/or Pasture: Select all answers that apply*	Will Soil Health be addressed by increasing organic matter and or reducing erosion? (IE -Cover Crop minumum 3 Crop mix or No-Till, Residue Management, Conservation Crop Rotation)	1
	Will the resource concern of inadequate feed and forage be addressed? (Ex.512-Pasture and Hay Planting)	1
	Will a mixture of native grasses be planted on an entire field?	1
	Not applicable.	0
Rangeland: Will 1 or more priority resource concerns identified by the Local Work Group (LWG) be address in this contract (Classic Gully Erosion; Plant Structure and Composition; Plant Productivity and Health; Inadequate Livestock Water Quantity, Quality, and Distribution)?*	The proposed contract will address 1 to 2 of these priority resource concerns.	1
	The proposed contract will address 3 to 4 of these priority resource concerns	2
	Not applicable.	0

Section: Team 4 Las Vegas, Mora, Raton

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Rangeland: Will a planned activity address the resource concern of inadequate plant structure and composition (Ex. 314- Brush Management)? Select one choice below.*	Address 75-100% of affected acres.	3
	Address 50-75% of affected acres.	2
	Address less than 50% of affected acres.	1
	Not applicable.	0
Rangeland: Will this application address a resource concern by installing practice(s) that allows the applicant to facilitate a rotational grazing system? Select one choice below*	Yes, and at least 50% of the installed practice(s) will be installed at new locations.	3
	Yes, and less than 50% of the installed practice(s) will be installed at new locations.	2
	Yes, only non-functioning structures or structures that have met the practice lifespan will be replaced.	1
	Not applicable.	0
Forest: Will 1 or more priority resource concerns identified by the Local Work Group be addressed in this contract? (Plant Structure and Composition, Inadequate Livestock Water Quantity, Quality, and Distribution, Classic Gully Erosion, Wildfire Hazard from Biomass Accumulation)*	The proposed contract will address 1 to 2 of these priority resource concerns.	1
	The proposed contract will address 3 to 4 of these priority resource concerns.	2
	Not applicable.	0
Forest: Will 384 Woody Residue Treatment be implemented through a scenario that is more intensive than Lop and Scatter?*	Removal of Residue on more than 50% of thinned acreage.	2
	Removal of Residue on less than 50% of thinned acreage.	1
	Not applicable.	0
Forest: Will the resource concern, wildfire hazard excessive biomass accumulation, be addressed within 1/4 mile of their structure? Select one answer below.*	5- 10 (or more than 10) structures	2
	1-4 structures	1
	Not applicable.	0

Section: Team 5 Estancia, Fort Sumner, Mountainair, Santa Rosa

Question	Answer Choices	Points
The application is predominately located in Team 5- New Mexico*	The application is predominately located in Team 5- New Mexico	--
	Otherwise	--
Irrigated Crop and/or Pasture: Will 1 or more priority resource concern categories identified by the Local Work Group (LWG) be addressed in this contract (Concentrated Erosion, Degraded Plant Condition, Livestock Production Limitation, Pest Pressure). The entire category needs to be addressed to answer question correctly.*	The proposed contract will address 1 to 2 of these priority resource concerns.	1
	The proposed contract will address 3 to 4 of these priority resource concerns.	2
	Not applicable.	0

Section: Team 5 Estancia, Fort Sumner, Mountainair, Santa Rosa

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Irrigated Crop and/or Pasture: Specific Resource Concerns. Select All that apply.*	Will the resource concerns of plant productivity and health and/or plant structure and composition be addressed by contracting practices such as Land Leveling, Land Smoothing, Forage and Biomass Planting, etc.?	1
	Will the resource concern of organic matter depletion be addressed by contracting practices such as Cover Crop?	1
	Will the resource concern of inefficient irrigation water use be addressed by installing a more efficient irrigation system such as LEPA/LESA?	1
	Will the resource concerns of sheet and rill erosion and/or wind erosion be addressed by contracting practices such as windbreaks, cover crop, forage and biomass planting, etc?	1
	Not applicable.	0
Irrigated Crop and/or Pasture: Practices that address inefficient use of irrigation water. Select one answer below*	Will a new practice be installed to address inefficient use of irrigated water?	2
	Will new infrastructure be installed to replace existing infrastructure that has exceeded its lifespan according to NRCS guidelines?	1
	Not applicable.	0
Range: Will 1 or more priority resource concern categories identified by the Local Work Group (LWG) be addressed in this contract (Concentrated Erosion, Degraded Plant Condition, Livestock Production Limitation, Pest Pressure). The entire category needs to be addressed to answer question correctly.*	The proposed contract will address 1 to 2 of these priority resource concern categories.	1
	The proposed contract will address 3-4 of these priority resource concern categories.	2
	Not applicable.	0
Range: Specific Resource Concerns: Select all that apply*	Will the resource concern Plant Structure and Composition or Pest Pressure be addressed by this application? (ex. Mechanical or Chemical Brush Management)	1
	Will the resource concern inadequate livestock water quantity, quality, or distribution be addressed by this application? (ex. Livestock Pipelines, Watering Facilities)	1
	Will the resource concern livestock production limitation feed & forage balance be addressed by this application ? (ex Fence, Range Planting).	1
	Not applicable.	0
Forest: Will 1 or more priority resource concern categories identified by the Local Work Group (LWG) be addressed in this contract (Concentrated Erosion, Degraded Plant Condition, Livestock Production Limitation, Fire Management). The entire category needs to be addressed to answer question correctly.*	The proposed contract will address 1 to 2 of these priority resource concerns.	1
	The proposed contract will address 3 to 4 of these priority resource concerns.	2
	Not applicable.	0

Section: Team 6 Clayton, Roy, Tucumcari

Question	Answer Choices	Points
The application is predominately located in Team 6- New Mexico*	The application is predominately located in Team 6- New Mexico	--
	Otherwise	--
Irrigated Cropland: Inadequate Feed and Forage or Wind Erosion. Select one answer below*	Will this application result in addressing Livestock Production Limitation: Inadequate Feed and Forage or wind erosion by seeding entire acreage under contract to grass?	2
	Will this application result in addressing Livestock Production Limitation: Inadequate Feed and Forage or soil erosion by seeding less than the entire contract to grass?	1
	Not applicable.	0
Irrigated Cropland: Wind and water erosion, compaction, soil organic matter. Select one answer below.*	Will this application result in decreased wind and water erosion, compaction, or increased soil organic matter with a cover crop on the entire acreage under contract?	3
	Will this application result in decreased wind and water erosion, compaction, or increased soil organic matter with a cover crop on less than the entire acreage under contract?	2
	Will this application result in decreased wind and water erosion, compaction, or increased soil organic matter by adopting a change in farming practice from conventional or mulch tillage to a no-till system by implementing Residue and Tillage Management, No-till (329) on entire acreage under contract?	1
	Not applicable.	0
Pasture: Inadequate Livestock Water: Select one answer below*	Will Inadequate Livestock Water be addressed by having water development be installed to distribute water in new locations?	2
	Will Inadequate Livestock Water be addressed by replacing existing practices that are no longer functioning and/or have met the lifespan of the practice (for past installed NRCS practices) or new practices that do not distribute water to new locations?	1
	Not applicable.	0

Section: Team 6 Clayton, Roy, Tucumcari

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Pasture: Degraded Plant Condition. Select all that apply.*	Will Degraded Plant Condition Inadequate structure and composition be addressed on the entire acreage under contract or on all acres under contract determined to need treatment?	1
	Will Degraded Plant Condition Inadequate structure and composition be addressed on less than the entire acreage under contract or on less than total acres under contract determined to need treatment?	1
	Will practices be installed in new locations that will facilitate grazing management and address degraded plant condition.	1
	Will practices be installed to replace existing practices that have met their lifespan that will facilitate grazing management and will address degraded plant condition (i.e. fences)?	1
	Not applicable.	0
Irrigated Crop and/or Pasture: Source Water Depletion- Inefficient Irrigation Water. Select one answer below:*	Will this application result in treating Source Water Depletion inefficient irrigation water use by the replacement of surface irrigation system with a more efficient system (i.e. surface system to LEPA/LESA irrigation pivot)?	3
	Will this application result in treating Source Water Depletion inefficient irrigation water use by the replacement of all other irrigation systems with a more efficient system (i.e. not LEPA/LESA irrigation pivot) that have met the lifespan of the practice (past NRCS installed practices) and/or are not functioning, with new, more efficient irrigation systems?	2
	Will this application result in treating Source Water Depletion inefficient irrigation water use by replacing an existing irrigation system that have met their lifespan (past NRCS installed practices) and/or are not functioning, with a new irrigation system (i.e. replacing pivots or nozzles)?	1
	Not applicable.	0
Range: Inadequate Livestock Water: Select one choice below.*	Will Inadequate Livestock Water be addressed by having water development be installed to distribute water in new locations?	2
	Will Inadequate Livestock Water be addressed by replacing existing practices that are no longer functioning and met the lifespan (for past NRCS installed practices) of the practice or new practices that do not distribute water to new locations?	1
	Not applicable.	0

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Question	Answer Choices	Points
Range: Plant Structure and Composition or Undesirable Plant Productivity and Health. Select one answer below.*	Will Plant Structure and Composition or Undesirable Plant Productivity and Health be addressed on woody shrubs or trees on the entire acreage under contract or on all acres under contract determined to need treatment?	2
	Will Plant Structure and Composition or Undesirable Plant Productivity and Health be addressed on woody shrubs or trees on less than the entire acreage under contract or on less than total acres under contract determined to need treatment?	1
	Not applicable.	0
Range: Grazing management with Plant Productivity and Health. Select one answer below.*	Will practices be installed in new locations that will facilitate grazing management and address plant productivity and health (i.e. fences)?	2
	Will practices be installed to replace existing practices that are no longer functioning and/or have met their lifespan (for past NRCS installed practices) that will facilitate grazing management and address plant productivity and health (i.e. fences)?	1
	Not applicable.	0
Dry Cropland: Inadequate Feed and Forage or Soil Erosion (wind or water). Select one answer below.*	Will this application result in addressing Livestock Production Limitation: Inadequate Feed and Forage or soil erosion by seeding all acreage under contract to grass?	2
	Will this application result in addressing Livestock Production Limitation: Inadequate Feed and Forage or soil erosion by seeding some, but not all, acres under contract to grass?	1
	Not applicable.	0
Dry Cropland: Specific Resource Concerns. Select all that apply.*	Will this application result in decreased soil erosion, compaction, and/or increased soil organic matter with a cover crop on all acres under contract?	1
	Will this application result in decreased soil erosion and/or reduced energy use by adopting a change in farming practice from conventional or mulch tillage to a reduced till or no-till system?	1
	Will this application result in decreased soil erosion by adopting a field windbreak?	1
	Will this application include improved wildlife food/cover by incorporating a forb or shrub into any mixture of native grass seeding?	1
	Not applicable.	0
Forest: Will concentrated erosion- classic gully erosion be treated (i.e. grade stabilization structures or diversion)?*	YES	1
	NO	0

Detailed Assessments

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