

LaGrange County EQIP RANKING PROCESS

WATER QUALITY RESOURCE CONCERN

NAME _____ TRACT NO. _____

POINTS - LOW	0 - 10 points
MEDIUM	11 - 29 points
HIGH	30 points or more

1. Does this tract contain soil types that indicate possible vulnerable groundwater resources? yes (10 points) no (0 points) (Use Map 3w) _____ Points

2. Is tract within _____ 500' (10 points), within _____ 1500' (5 points), or over 1500' (0 points) of a lake or pond, intermittent or perennial stream, wetland or open drainage ditch? _____ Points

3. Are livestock in a lake or pond, intermittent or perennial stream, wetland intermittent or perennial stream, wetland or open drainage ditch? yes (10 points) no (0 points) _____ Points

4. Is the tract located in a 303D area containing water impaired by non point source pollutants? yes (10 points) no (0 points) (Use Map 2w) _____ Points

5. Is the tract located outside an active LARE project area? yes (10 points) no (0 points) _____ Points

6. Is the tract in the 04050001140 HUC area (north branch of the Elkhart River) or 04050001090 HUC area (Fawn River)? yes (10 points) no (0 points) _____ Points

TOTAL POINTS _____

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LIVESTOCK MANAGEMENT RESOURCE CONCERN

NAME _____ **TRACT NO.** _____

POINTS - LOW **0 - 10 points**
MEDIUM **11 - 29 points**
HIGH **30 points or more**

- 1. Is this an existing operation that is being expanded or upgraded? _____ Points
 _____ yes (10 points) A new operation? _____ yes (0 points)

- 2. Are livestock in a lake or pond, intermittent or perennial stream, wetland or an open drainage ditch or is feed lot contamination reaching a lake or pond, intermittent or perennial stream, wetland or an open drainage ditch? _____ Points
 _____ yes (10 points) _____ no (0 points)

- 3. Does the landowner have less than 180 days storage in the current system? _____ Points
 _____ yes (10 points) _____ no (0 points)

- 4. Does the current storage system utilize a non-approved system? _____ Points
 (Approved systems include Midwest Plan Service and/or licensed engineer) (Non-approved system could include no storage, outside storage, steel tank, etc.) _____ yes (10 points) _____ no (0 points)

- 5. Is the landowner willing to switch to intensive grazing? _____ Points
 _____ yes (10 points) _____ no (0 points)
 (Marking yes requires implementation of the practice with EQIP funds.)

- 6. Does this tract contain soil types that indicate possible vulnerable groundwater resources? (Use Map 3w) _____ Points
 _____ yes (10 points) _____ no (0 points)

- 7. Is the landowner willing to inject or incorporate manure? _____ Points
 _____ yes (10 points) _____ no (0 points)
 (Marking yes requires implementation of the practice with EQIP funds.)

- 8. Is the landowner willing to compost? _____ Points
 _____ yes (10 points) _____ no (0 points)
 (Marking yes requires implementation of the practice with EQIP funds.)

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SOIL EROSION RESOURCE CONCERN

NAME _____ **TRACT NO.** _____

POINTS - LOW	0 - 10 points
MEDIUM	11 - 29 points
HIGH	30 points or more

1. Are there **any** soils on the tract with an I value of 134 or higher?
_____ yes (10 points) _____ no (0 points) _____ Points
2. Does the tract contain at least one HEL field?
_____ yes (10 points) _____ no (0 points) _____ Points
3. Is gully erosion present? (Gully is defined as active erosion from concentrated water flow that is not being controlled by the existing tillage and cropping system)
_____ yes (10 points) _____ no (0 points) _____ Points
4. Is severe stream bank erosion present that the landowner plans to address with EQIP funds?
_____ yes (10 points) _____ no (0 points) _____ Points
5. Is tract within _____ 500' (10 points), within _____ 1500' (5 points), or _____ over 1500' (0 points) of a lake or pond, intermittent or perennial stream, wetland, or open drainage ditch? _____ Points
6. Is the producer willing to plant a Cover Crop?
_____ yes (10 points) _____ no (0 points)
(Marking yes requires implementation of the practice using EQIP funds.) _____ Points
7. Is the producer willing to adopt a complete No-Till System?
_____ yes (10 points) _____ no (0 points)
(Marking yes requires implementation of the practice using EQIP funds.) _____ Points

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FORESTRY RESOURCE CONCERN

NAME _____ TRACT NO. _____

POINTS - LOW	0 - 10 points
MEDIUM	11 - 29 points
HIGH	30 points or more

1. Is the area adjacent to a "permanently protected" area? (As defined by map)
_____ yes (10 points) _____ no (0 points) _____ Points

2. Is the landowner willing to fence livestock out of the woods?
_____ yes (10 points) _____ no (0 points)
(Marking yes requires implementation of the practice with EQIP funds.) _____ Points

3. Does the landowner have a forest management plan?
_____ yes (10 points) _____ no (0 points) _____ Points

4. Is the area within _____ 500' (10 points), _____ 1500' (5 points),
or _____ over 1500' (0 points) of a lake or pond, intermittent or perennial stream,
wetland, or open drainage ditch? _____ Points

5. Is this area adjacent to an existing forest or a fill in between forests?
_____ yes (10 points) _____ no (0 points) _____ Points

6. Does the tract contain at least one HEL field?
_____ yes (10 points) _____ no (0 points) _____ Points

TOTAL POINTS _____

Protected Areas LaGrange County

