

Randolph County 2003 EQIP - Local Ranking Sheet

Local Resource Concern – Water Quality

Client Name _____ Randolph County
 Date _____ Assisted By _____

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| 1. | Does at least 25% of the area offered for contract contain soils with “B” or greater slopes? | Yes | No |
| 2. | Is the area offered for contract adjacent ¹ to a stream ² or other body of water ³ ? | Yes | No |
| 3. | Does the area offered for contract contain livestock that has access to a stream ² or other body of water ³ ? | Yes | No |
| 4. | Will a Nutrient Management Plan and a Pest Management Plan be utilized within the area offered for contract? | Yes | No |
| 5. | Is manure currently being applied to areas less than 500 feet from a stream ² or other body of water ³ ? | Yes | No |
| 6. | Does the area offered for contract contain stream banks without vegetative cover? | Yes | No |
| 7. | Does the area offered for contract currently include the tillage practice of moldboard plowing or chisel plowing of soybean stubble? | Yes | No |

Total number of questions answered Yes _____

Water Quality Ranking

HIGH - Both questions 1 and 2 answered Yes and any 1 of questions 3 – 7 answered Yes.

MEDIUM - Either questions 1 or 2 answered Yes and any 1 of questions 3 – 7 answered Yes.

LOW - Any 1 of the questions answered Yes.

Definitions:

1 Adjacent-near or close to such that flow from the cropland has a direct path to the receiving waters (flow is not interrupted by vegetation or ponding such that deposition of sediment occurs) that are being protected.

2 Stream: Perennial stream-a stream which flows during all seasons of the year, i.e. represented by a solid blue line on the USGS topo map or documented local knowledge; Seasonal stream-a ditch

or other intermittent stream, i.e. dashed blue line on the USGS topo map, soil survey or documented local knowledge, that has prolonged flows and defined bed and banks that generally does not have vegetation on the bottom of the bed as a result of frequent or prolonged flows. A stream that contains water for only part of the year but more than just during and/or after rainfall or snowmelt.

3 Other body of water-permanent water bodies, such as lakes and ponds that provide water cover throughout the year in all years.

Local Ranking Sheet
 Local Resource Concern – Livestock Management

Client Name _____ Randolph County
 Date _____ Assisted By _____

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| 1. | Does livestock have direct access to a stream ¹ or other body of water ² ? | Yes | No |
| 2. | Is the amount of on farm manure storage that you currently have less than 180 days? | Yes | No |
| 3. | Is the manure application area adjacent ³ to a stream ¹ or other body of water ² ? | Yes | No |
| 4. | Does the area offered have a Grazing Management Plan? | Yes | No |
| 5. | Is the area offered for contract adjacent to a residential area or within a 5 mile radius of other livestock operations? | Yes | No |

Total number of questions answered Yes _____

Water Quality Ranking

- HIGH Any 3 of the questions have to be answered Yes.
- MEDIUM Any 2 of the questions have to be answered Yes.
- LOW Any 1 of the questions have to be answered Yes.

Local Ranking Sheet
 Local Resource Concern – Forest Management

Client Name _____ Randolph County
 Date _____ Assisted By _____

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| 1. | Does at least 25% of the area offered for contract contain floodplain soil? | Yes | No |
| 2. | Is the area offered for contract currently being grazed? | Yes | No |
| 3. | Does the area offered for contract currently have a Forest Management Plan? | Yes | No |
| 4. | Will Timber Stand Improvement to control invasive forest species be utilized in the area offered for contract? | Yes | No |
| 5. | Are there threatened and endangered species shown within the area being offered for contract? | Yes | No |
| 6. | Will a windbreak be established in the area offered for contract? | Yes | No |
| 7. | Will existing forest be joined or expanded with a new tree planting? | Yes | No |

Total number of questions answered Yes _____

Forest Management Ranking

- HIGH Any 3 of the questions have to be answered Yes.
- MEDIUM Any 2 of the questions have to be answered Yes.
- LOW Any 1 of the questions have to be answered Yes.

Local Ranking Sheet
 Local Resource Concern – Erosion

Client Name _____ Randolph County
 Date _____ Assisted By _____

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| 1. | Is the area offered for contract within 1 mile of a stream ¹ ? | Yes | No |
| 2. | Is the area offered for contract within the Mississinewa River watershed? | Yes | No |
| 3. | Does at least 25% of the area offered for contract contain soils with “B” or greater slopes? | Yes | No |
| 4. | Is scour erosion ² present within the area offered for contract? | Yes | No |
| 5. | Will cover crops be utilized within the area offered for contract? | Yes | No |
| 6. | Is gully erosion present within the area offered for contract? | Yes | No |
| 7. | Are fall tillage practices currently being used in the area offered for contract and are you willing to change them to no-till? | Yes | No |
| 8. | Does the area offered for contract contain stream banks without vegetative cover? | Yes | No |
| 9. | Does the area offered for contract currently include the tillage practices of moldboard plowing or chisel plowing of soybean stubble? | Yes | No |

Total number of questions answered Yes _____

Erosion Ranking

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| HIGH | Any 4 of the questions have to be answered Yes. |
| MEDIUM | Any 3 of the questions have to be answered Yes. |
| LOW | Any 2 of the questions have to be answered Yes. |