

## EQIP 2003: Union County Local Ranking Worksheet *(Updated 6/12/03)*

Producer:          Farm #:          Tract #:          Date:

### Livestock Resource Concern

**Distance from stream (blue line or dashed blue line on topo)**

-	10 points	Treatment area 0-180' from stream
-	5 points	Treatment area 180'-500' from stream
-	1 point	Treatment area greater than 500' from stream

-	5 points	Land on the offered tract(s) will be converted to a prescribed grazing plan.
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-	5 points	An animal waste management plan will be developed on the offered acreage.
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Total Points

**Local Ranking for Livestock**

-	HIGH – 15 points or greater, MEDIUM – 6 – 14 points, LOW - <6 points
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### Water Quality Resource Concern

**Distance from Stream (blue line or dashed blue line on topo)**

-	15 points	Treatment area 0-180' from stream
-	8 points	Treatment area 180'-500' from stream
-	4 points	Treatment area greater than 500' from stream

**Critical planning soil and slope**

-	12 points	1/3 or greater of the treatment area soils are classified as HEL in the FOTG
-	8 points	1/3 or greater of the soils in the treatment area are classified as PHEL in the FOTG (the combination of PHEL and HEL acres can equal 1/3 or greater of the total acreage as well)
-	4 points	Soils of the treatment area are classified as NHEL in the FOTG, or less than 1/3 meet PHEL or HEL criteria in the FOTG

**Watershed**

-	8 points	Treatment area located within East Fork Whitewater River Watershed, except Silver Creek and Hanna's Creek
-	4 points	Treatment area located within the rest of Union County

**Livestock**

-	4 points	Livestock present and practices that benefit water quality will be implemented (practice purpose is for livestock). These practices include: prescribed grazing, waste utilization, nutrient management (in conjunction with waste utilization), fence, riparian buffer (where livestock are present but landowner plans to remove and exclude), pasture and hay planting, pipeline (for livestock watering), spring development, trough or tank, waste storage facility, waste treatment lagoon, or water well (for livestock).
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Total Points

**Local ranking for Water Quality**

-	HIGH – 27 points or greater, MEDIUM – 16 - 26 points, LOW - <16 points
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## **Soil Erosion Resource Concern**

### **Distance from stream (blue line or dashed blue line on topo)**

-	8 points	Treatment area 0-180' from stream
-	4 points	Treatment area 180'-500' from stream
-	2 points	Treatment area greater than 500' from stream

### **Critical soil slope**

-	12 points	1/3 or greater of the treatment area soils are classified as HEL in the FOTG
-	6 points	1/3 or greater of the soils in the treatment area are classified as PHEL in the FOTG (the combination of PHEL and HEL acres can equal 1/3 or greater of the total acreage as well)
-	4 points	Soils of the treatment area are classified as NHEL in the FOTG, or less than 1/3 meet PHEL or HEL criteria in the FOTG

Total Points

### **Local Ranking for Erosion**

-	HIGH – 14 points or greater, MEDIUM – 8-13 points, LOW - <8 points
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## **Forest Health Resource Concern**

### **Distance from stream (blue line or dashed blue line on topo)**

-	8 points	Treatment area 0-180' from stream
-	4 points	Treatment area 180'-500' from stream
-	2 points	Treatment area greater than 500' from stream

### **“Core” Forestry Practices – award points for each item that applies**

-	5 points	Livestock will be excluded from wooded areas where they currently graze.
-	5 points	Timber stand improvement will be implemented on the offered tract.
-	5 points	Trees will be planted on the offered tract.

### **Proximity to existing forest**

-	5 points	Offered acreage and an existing forest (not necessarily owned by same landowner) are contiguous (if a fence is between the two, they will still be considered contiguous)
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### **Grazed Forest**

-	Forest is being grazed and landowner is not willing to change (Automatic Low for resource concern)
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Total Points

### **Local ranking for Forest Health**

-	HIGH – 10 points or greater, MEDIUM – 5-10 points, LOW - <5 points
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