

DAVIESS COUNTY – EQIP RANKING PROCESS

FISCAL YEAR 2004

LOCAL RANKING CRITERIA

NAME: _____ DATE: _____

FARM #: _____ TRACT #: _____

COMPLETED BY : _____

RESOURCE CONCERN: LIVESTOCK

			POINTS
1. Does this concern an existing livestock operation with an existing livestock related resource concern?	YES	NO	60
2. Does this involve an existing resource concern with Mortality Disposal (Poultry or Swine) that will be addressed?	YES	NO	15
3. Is the operation within the watershed of a 303d listed impaired stream? (Reference IDEM 303d List of Impaired Streams)	YES	NO	15
4. On any area being offered that has Animal Waste applied, are you willing to treat this area to NRCS Quality Criteria?	YES	NO	15
5. Is the area being offered within 1000' of and drain into any surface water as defined by IDEM's rules on Confined Feeding Operations (327 IAC 16-2-40). Surface waters being defined as "water present on the surface of the earth, including: streams, lakes ponds, rivers, swamps, marshes or wetlands".	YES	NO	40
6. Are animal wastes being staged (stored) uncovered on the ground and will this resource concern be addressed?	YES	NO	40
7. On any area being offered that is grazing land, are you willing to treat this area to NRCS Quality Criteria?	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>15</u>

POINT TOTAL _____

POSSIBLE POINT TOTAL 200

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RESOURCE CONCERN: WATER QUALITY

	YES	NO	POINTS
1. Is the proposed project within either a watershed or a Community Drinking Water Supplies or a 303d listed Impaired stream for Nonpoint Source Pollutants? (Reference IDEM 303d List of Impaired Streams and NRCS FY 2004 Indiana EQIP Guide Drinking Water Intake Map page 39)			20
2. Does greater than 50% of the cropland in the area being offered consist of soils listed on leaching potential map on page 26 of NRCS FY 2004 Indiana Eqip Guide.			10
3. Is the area being offered within 300’ of and drain into any surface water as defined by IDEM’s rules on Confined Feeding Operations (327 IAC 16-2-40). Surface waters being defined as “water present on the surface of the earth, including: streams lakes, ponds, rivers, swamps, marshes or wetlands”.			50
4. Are you willing to install any Conservation Buffers? The term buffers include Vegetative Filter Strips, Riparian Buffers and Field Borders. If answering this question “yes” you must circle which types of buffers you would apply.			30
5. On any area being offered that is grazing land, are you willing to treat this area to NRCS Quality Criteria?			<u>15</u>

POINT TOTAL _____

POSSIBLE POINT TOTAL 125

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RESOURCE CONCERN: SOIL EROSION

	YES	NO	POINTS
1. Does greater than 50% of the total cropland acreage within the area being offered meet the definition of Highly Erodible Land (HEL) as defined for USDA Conservation Compliance purpose? At least one third of a field must be made up of HEL soils to Be designated HEL. If no cropland is present within the area being offered then Answer this question “No”. Are you willing reduce soil losses to a level of “T”.			40
2. Does any gully erosion exist within the area being offered that will be corrected by utilizing EQIP cost share funds should you be approved?			20
3. Does your current farming operation follow a tillage system that maximizes the amount of residue on the soil surface at the time of planting?			20
4. Are you willing to treat cropland areas being offered to NRCS Quality Criteria?			20

POINT TOTAL _____

POSSIBLE POINT TOTAL 100

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RESOURCE CONCERN: FORESTRY

	YES	NO	POINTS
1. Will any land (existing cropland, hay or pasture) be planted to trees?			20
2. Will livestock be excluded from any woodlands within the area being offered? Livestock must presently have access to and be entering into said woodlands within the area being offered.			40
3. Is the area being offered eligible for or currently enrolled in the Classified Forest Program?			<u>15</u>

POINT TOTAL _____

POSSIBLE POINT TOTAL 75