

HANCOCK COUNTY
2004 EQIP LOCAL WORKGROUP RANKING CRITERIA

Comments: *All questions are to be asked for all applications submitted. Points are allocated based on the local work group prioritization of resource concerns for Hancock County. A total of 500 points is possible for the local ranking criteria. This local total will be distributed from 0-500 based on a distribution factor once all applications have been ranked. This distribution total will be combined to the state-wide ranking criteria total for the application's final score.*

1. Will the application of the plan reduce the amount of water pollutants?
 - a. By applying all nutrients according to soil testing recommendations. Yes = 100 points No = 0 points
 - b. Is livestock manure applied to the areas under this application? Yes = 50 points
No = 0 points
2. According to FSA records, what is the percent of cropland fields in HEL?
 - a. None = 20 points
 - b. $\leq 10\%$ = 40 points
 - c. $\leq 20\%$ = 60 points
 - d. $\leq 30\%$ = 80 points
 - e. $>30\%$ = 100 points
3. What is the distance from seasonal stream/surface water?
 - a. 1 mile = 50 points
 - b. $\frac{1}{2}$ mile = 70 points
 - c. 300 feet = 100 points
4. Will application of the EQIP Plan reduce Carbon Emissions by:
 - a. Increasing the surface residue levels for all crops in the rotation and/or establishing permanent cover? Yes = 100 points No = 0 points
 - b. Increasing the surface residue levels for at least a portion of the crop rotation.
Yes = 50 points No = 0 points
5. Are offered acres within 30 feet of a seasonal stream/surface water fenced to restrict grazing? Yes/NA = 0 points No = 25 points
6. Will the implementation of the plan benefit aquatic species? Yes = 25 points No = 0 points

Applicant Name: _____

Tract(s): _____

Date: _____

Assisted By: _____

Total Score: _____