

I. INTEGRATED WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

Purpose: Increase Permanent Terrestrial Habitat in **Cropland Production Systems** by installing conservation practices with a purpose of creating or enhancing wildlife habitat.

PLEASE NOTE: A landowner interested in creating or enhancing wildlife habitat on non-cropland systems should apply for assistance through the Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (WHIP).

Resource Concern: Wildlife habitat does not support a sustained wildlife population.

A. Is the Wildlife habitat index rating from the Michigan Wildlife Habitat Inventory Form (Biology Technical Note 12) below .70? YES _____ NO _____

If the answer to "A" is **NO**, there is no resource concern. Do not complete the rest of this worksheet. If the answer to "A" is **YES**, complete the following:

Current index rating is: _____

Check all practices that producer plans to implement with EQIP funding that will address this resource concern.

Reminder: use wildlife friendly plants in these practices

- Conservation Cover (Ac.) 327
- Field Border (Ft.) 386
- Filter Strip (Ac.) 393A
- Hedgerow Planting (Ft.) 422
- Restoration and Management of Declining Habitats (Ac.) 643
- Riparian Forest Buffer (Ac.) 391
- Riparian Herbaceous Cover (Ac.) 390
- Stream Habitat Improvement and Management (Ac.) 395
- Tree/Shrub Establishment (Ac.) 612
- Upland Wildlife Habitat Management (Ac.) 645
- Wetland Enhancement (Ac.) 659
- Wetland Restoration (Ac.) 657
- Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management (Ac.) 644
- Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment (Ft.) 380

1. Will the Wildlife Habitat Inventory Index rating be greater than .70 on the planning unit after the application of the practices planned above? ___ Yes ___ No

If the answer to question 1 is **YES**, this application is a high priority and will be selected for funding. Continue with plan writing and processing of the application.

If the answer to question 1 is **NO**, this application is a low priority and plan writing and processing of application will take place at a later date as time and funding permits as determined by NRCS.