

2002 EQIP Scoring Worksheet - Wildlife Habitat Management

Applicant _____ Date _____
 Farm Number _____ County _____
 Tract Number(s) _____ Evaluator _____

Farm Bill 2002 EQIP

I. Natural Community Improvement -
WHAG Community Model index must at least reach quality criteria of 0.5 for planned conditions in EQIP Wildlife Plan. (60 points maximum) - use weighted average of A & B)

A. PRIORITY HABITAT TYPE in NATURAL DIVISION

Community Model Index	Possible Points	Points Awarded		Acres in habitat type		Pt * Ac for habitat type
≥.90	50	_____				
.80 - <.90	40	_____				
.70 - <.80	30	_____	X	_____	=	_____
.60 - <.70	20	_____				(Pt * Ac for A)
.50 - <.60	10	_____				

B. OTHER HABITAT TYPE

≥.90	20	_____				
.80 - <.90	15	_____				
.70 - <.80	10	_____	X	_____	=	_____
.60 - <.70	5	_____				(Pt * Ac for B)
.50 - <.60	1	_____				
			sum Ac (A+B)	_____		sum of (Pt * Ac) for A & B

Points in Natural Community Improvement = $\frac{\text{sum of (Pt * Ac) for A \& B}}{\text{sum Ac. (A + B)}}$ = _____

Note: It may be necessary to perform a weighted average within each "A" and "B" prior to computing the weighted average between A and B.

C. PLUS BONUS POINTS -

1. If priority habitat type in A. is grassland in a "Grassland Coalition Focus Area" add 10 points 10 _____

OR (NOT BOTH!)

2. Wildlife Plan addresses basic habitat requirements of bobwhite quail add 10 points 10 _____

Total Points for I. (60 max.) _____

II. Contribution of Plan to Federal T & E, or State Rare Species (15 points maximum) -

EQIP will utilize the same scoring process for this factor as was used in CRP Sign-up 20. Please note why points have been assigned.

List species and reason for scoring:	Points

(In lieu of referring to factor N1(b) on CRP scoring sheet, score aquatic T&E species as 15 points if Riparian Forest Buffer (391) or Forest Harvest Trails and Landings (655) are applied. All other aquatic situations score as zero.)

III. Restoration of Priority Habitats (establishment, management, restoration, or habitat manipulation in Wildlife Plan) (20 points maximum) Note: use 51% rule for multiple fields.

Native plant community of four or more plant species	20	_____
Native plant species mix of three species	10	_____
Wildlife friendly plant mixes	7	_____
Single species native plant	4	_____
All other	1	_____

TOTAL RANKING POINTS (add points from I, II, & III above) **sum =** _____

Number of additional resource concerns addressed with assistance provided under this EQIP contract **X 10 =** _____

TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL SCORE _____

May 31, 2002