

**Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)
 Pembina County Evaluation Worksheet**

Date:

Producer:
 Field Office:
 Tract No(s):

Total Acres:
 Farm No(s):
 Total Points:

Conservation Priorities:	Evaluation Score
Water Quality/Water Quantity <i>N1] S1]</i>	
Soil Erosion/Soil Health <i>N2] S2]</i>	
Air Quality <i>N3]</i>	
At-Risk Wildlife Habitat <i>N4]</i>	
Grazingland Health <i>S3]</i>	
Locally Identified Resource Concern <i>L1]</i>	
Cost Effectiveness of Conservation Treatment <i>R1]</i>	
Total Evaluation Points:	

Remarks

Screening Tool to Ensure EQIP Application Supports National Measures:

Does EQIP application treat 2 or more of the conservation priorities noted above (in white blocks) *M1] M4]* no

Does the EQIP application contain an innovative practice(s)? *M2]*

Does the EQIP application contain a livestock related practice(s)? *M3]*

Does the EQIP application employ comprehensive tools such as CNMP, IWM, or IPM? *M4]*

If all above are "no", the application is considered low priority and will not be ranked further.

Does the application include a waste containment facility (holding pond, lagoon, stacking facility)?

Does the application include an irrigation system conversion that leads to a net water savings?

Check Those That Apply

Water Quality / Water Quantity (Total: 55 Points) *N1] S1]*

<input type="checkbox"/> Practice(s) will positively impact water quality within a Section 303(d) listed watershed or wellhead protection area. (10 pts) <i>R6]</i>		Help
Practice(s) will adjust application amounts and/or timing of organic/inorganic fertilizers according to soil test. (10 pts) <i>M4]</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Practice(s) will reduce agricultural wastes from impacting water quality. (15 pts)		
EQIP application provides improved quality of livestock drinking water (10 pts) <i>M3]</i>		
Practices will mitigate potential environmental risk of pest management control measures. (10 pts)		

Check Those That Apply

Soil Erosion/Soil Quality (Total: 50 Points) *N2] S2]*

Practice(s) will provide additional erosion control on one of the following situations: <i>R6] R2] N2] S2] N3]</i> <input type="checkbox"/> HEL (20 pts) <input type="checkbox"/> 1>86 or >6% slopes (18 pts) <input type="checkbox"/> Other soil map units (15 pts)		Help
EQIP application provides for the adoption of a no-till or mulch-till system. (329-STIR<9 15 pts, 329-STIR 9-30 10 pts, 345 5 pts) <i>N1] M1] N2] N3] S2]</i>		
Practice(s) will address saline seeps and recharge areas.(5 pts) <i>R2]N1]</i>		
Conversion of cropland to permanent introduced or native forage production (10 pts.)		

Check Those That Apply

Air Quality (Total: 15 Points) *N3]*

Practice(s) will reduce the number of tillage operations on cropland. (3 pts) <i>N2] R4]</i>		Help
EQIP application includes one of the following carbon sequestering practices: 329, 345, 380, 528, 422, 512, 550, 391, 612, 645, 650, 657. (5 pts) <i>R2]</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> EQIP application includes organic component of 590. (5 pts) <i>N2] R4]</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> EQIP application acreage lies within identified buffer surrounding a non-containment air quality area. (2 pts) <i>R6]</i>		

Check Those That Apply

At Risk Wildlife Habitat (Total: 20 Points) <i>N4]</i>		
EQIP application includes one of the following wildlife habitat improvement practices: 390, 391, 393, 528, 550, 643, 644, 645, 657, 658. (15 pts) <i>R4]</i>		Help
EQIP application includes two or more different conservation practice(s) from the list above. (5 pts) <i>M4]</i>		

Check Those That Apply

Grazingland Health (Total: 30 Points) <i>S1]</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Practice(s) will facilitate improved grazing distribution. (5 pts) <i>M3]</i>		Help
<input type="checkbox"/> Grazing system rotates through 4 or more pastures per grazing season. (5 pts) <i>M3]</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Pasture season of use varies annually. (5 pts) <i>M3]</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Grazing system is designed to provide for a minimum of a twice-over grazing system. (5 pts) <i>M3]</i>		
Conversion of cropland to introduced and native forage production (512 and/or 550). (10 pts) <i>M3]</i> <i>R3]</i> <i>R1]</i>		

Check Those That Apply

LOCALLY IDENTIFIED PRIORITY TO BE ADDRESSED (Total: 30 Points)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Practice will reduce soil loss and/or improve soil quality during low residue crop years.		Help
<input type="checkbox"/> Practice will improve water quality by reducing sedimentation, nutrient, or pesticide loading.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Practice provides protection to cropland, farmsteads, or livestock through improvement to existing shelterbelts or other vegetative plantings.		

COST EFFECTIVENESS OF CONSERVATION TREATMENT <i>R1]</i> <i>R3]</i>		
Average Lifespan of EQIP application practices:		Help
<i>Total Cost per Acre</i> <i>Cost/Point</i> Score:		
