

WRP Environmental Ranking Worksheet - FY 2009

Applicant ID:		Application Type:	
Flooded Land:		County:	Date:
COMPLETE INVENTORY ACRES		Application Acres:	
Total Application Points			0

Factor	Environmental Factor Considerations	Number of Units	Units	Points	Comments
Prairie Pothole Ranking Factors					
1	Estimate Surface Acres of Basins to be Restored (657) vegetatively This is the measured or estimated acres of wetland or former wetland acres which will be restored vegetatively. Reference the e-FOTG for 657 standard.	0	Acres	0	
2	Wetland Basins to be Hydrologically Restored This factor considers both the number of basins and acres restored to be hydrologically restored (e.g. ditch plug, broken tile, dike, diversion, sediment removal, etc.). Factor 2A is the number of wetland basins. Factor 2B is the wetland acres restored. Factor 2A - Basins Restored Factor 2B - Acres Restored	0 0	Basins Acres	0 0	
3	Upland to Wetland Ratio For pothole wetland type areas, this score is the result of a ratio between upland and wetland acres. A ratio greater than 6:1 scores makes the application ineligible. Non-wetland Acres: NA Wetland Acres: NA		Ratio	0	PRAIRIE POTHOLE WETLAND NOT RANKED
Floodplain Ranking Factors					
4	Estimate Surface Acres of Floodplain to be Vegetatively Restored (657) This is the measured or estimated acres of hydric soil (wetlands or former wetlands) which will be restored vegetatively. Floodplain hydrology is a function of vegetative cover, thus establishment of native hydrophytic grasses, forbs and woodys on floodplain uplands is considered hydrologic restoration.	0	Acres	0	
5	Hydric soils (only When Floodplain Acres are Dominant) The ratio of hydric soils to non-hydric soils. Reference the e-FOTG Section II for hydric soils on the offer. Hydric Soils Acres: NA Non-Hydric Soils Acres: NA		Ratio	0	FLOODPLAIN NOT RANKED
Prairie Pothole and Floodplain Ranking Factors					
6	State Geographic Area From USFWS Water Breeding Pairs Map Locate the offer on the statewide 2001 Waterfowl Breeding Pairs per square mile thunderstorm maps and choose the majority color for the WRP offer. See "Breeding_Pairs_Map" worksheet Color Code:			0	
7	Proximity to Other Protected Wetlands Protected wetlands are wetlands in public ownership or protected by public easement. Examples of such programs are Waterfowl Production Areas, State Game Management Areas, Emergency Watershed Protection Easement areas, or lands with USFWS permanent wetland easements.			0	
8	Threatened and Endangered Species Occur in County See the "County Occurrence of Endangered, Threatened and Candidate Species and Designated Critical Habitat in North Dakota" (March 2003) in Section I of the FOTG. When the WRP offer is in a County recognized as having T & E species, the points are awarded. Points awarded based on location of offer, by county: 1 point for counties with state-wide species, 5 points for counties with Critical Habitat identified for the Piping Plover. County:			0	
9a	Operation and Maintenance (Wetlands) How much maintenance will be needed after restoration?			0	
9b	Operation and Maintenance (Floodplain) How much maintenance will be needed after restoration?			0	
10	Partners Release Form Partners include SCDs, Ducks Unlimited, FWS, local Water boards, Pheasants Forever, etc. The document allows NRCD to release client information to Conservation Partners, but does not constitute a financial commitment. The release form must be signed and attached to award points. This document is attached to the bulletin.			0	

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11	Water Quality Improvement The 1998 unified watershed assessment data can be found in the FOTG, Section I reference materials, or at: http://www.health.state.nd.us/ndhd/environ/wq/ . See "HUC_map" worksheet tab for watershed HUC. Watershed HUC:			0	
12	Retention Will the easement's vegetative and hydrologically restored areas remain protected after the WRP easement has expired or will it return to cropland? If a public entity i.e. Natural Resources Trust, NDGF has agreed to extend the life of the restoration, then answer yes.			0	
13	Producer is willing to accept less than 75% of appraised value for 30-Year Easement Will landowner (in writing) accept less than 75% of NRCS established value? If YES, enter the percent of appraised value chosen by the applicant.			0	
14	USDA Restoration Costs The intent of this factor is to rank the cost efficiency of restoration activities. Consideration should be given if a conservation partner will decrease USDA restoration cost by paying for part of the restoration. Equal to the per-unit cost on the WRP cost list			0	
15a	Percentage of upland area planted to annual crops (Wetlands) Note: Existing hay land fields in rotation for more than 4 years are not considered as an annually planted cropland.		Percent	0	
15b	Percentage of upland area planted to annual crops (Floodplain) Note: Existing hay land fields in rotation for more than 4 years are not considered as an annually planted cropland.		Percent	0	
Prairie Pothole Ranking			NOT RANKED		
Floodplain Ranking			NOT RANKED		