

Seasonal High Tunnel State Ranking Questions (Maximum State Points – 400)

Sub-heading 1. Answer all of the following questions that apply regarding the project's impact on addressing resource concerns. Maximum points 300.

1a: The EQIP Schedule of Operations includes Conservation Crop Rotation (328) or supports an existing conservation crop rotation which meets FOTG quality criteria. – 60 points

1b: The EQIP Schedule of Operations includes Nutrient Management (590) or supports an existing Nutrient Management plan which meets FOTG quality criteria to reduce the risk of nutrients moving offsite. – 60 points

1c: The EQIP Schedule of Operations includes Integrated Pest Management (595) or supports an existing pest management plan which meets FOTG quality criteria to reduce the risk of pesticides moving offsite or other risks associated with cultural or biological pest suppressions. – 60 points

1d: The EQIP Schedule of Operations includes Irrigation Water Management (449) or supports an existing irrigation management plan that meets FOTG quality criteria. – 60 points

1e: The EQIP Schedule of Operations includes practices or supports the use of existing practices (such as; cover crops, residue management, and residue and tillage management) which will result in a positive Soil Condition Index (SCI) score as determined by RUSLE II. - 60 points

Sub-heading 2. Answer one of the following questions regarding the project's impact on energy use through local consumption. Maximum points 100.

2a: Will 75 percent or more of the crops produced with the Seasonal High Tunnel be consumed or marketed within 50 miles of the site – 100 points

2b: Will 75 percent or more of the crops produced with the Seasonal High Tunnel be consumed or marketed within 50 to 100 miles of the site – 50 points

2c: Will 75 percent or more of the crops produced with the Seasonal High Tunnel be consumed or marketed within 100 to 150 miles of the site – 25 points