

## Ranking Tool Summary

### for FY2012 – EQIP Wildlife - Riverine Habitat

#### State Questions:

Sub-heading Number	Question Number	Question	Points
1		Resource Management Plan	
	1	Resource Management Plan - Stream segment is located on a property that has a RMS plan developed or reviewed by a natural resource professional that addresses all resources and has been > 90% applied for all resources. (Answer Yes to 1 of questions 1.1-1.5)	10
	2	Resource Management Plan - Stream segment is located on a property that has RMS plan that is being actively applied, water quality BMP's are being used and soil erosion is controlled to T on > 90% of location. (Answer Yes to 1 of questions 1.1-1.5)	8
	3	Resource Management Plan - Site has a RMS plan and soil erosion is controlled to T level on > 90% of land unit. (Answer Yes to 1 of questions 1.1-1.5)	5
	4	Resource Management Plan - Site has no RMS plan but erosion is controlled to T on > 65% of land unit. (Answer Yes to 1 of questions 1.1-1.5)	3
	5	Resource Management Plan - None of the above from questions 4-7. (Answer Yes to 1 of questions 1.1-1.5)	0
2		Potential for Resource Improvement or Protection	
	1	Size/Length of Stream Segment and Continuity of Protection - Application is to treat all of the critical in-stream segment areas on applicant's property that would benefit the targeted fishery. (Answer Yes to 1 of questions 2.1-2.7)	15
	2	Size/Length of Stream Segment and Continuity of Protection - Application is to treat one or more entire critical in-stream segment areas on the applicant property that would benefit the targeted fishery but not all segments. (Answer Yes to 1 of questions 2.1-2.7)	12
	3	Size/Length of Stream Segment and Continuity of Protection - Application is part of comprehensive plan that treats in-stream resource on more than one property. (Answer Yes to 1 of questions 2.1-2.7)	10
	4	Size/Length of Stream Segment and Continuity of Protection - Application is to treat only a portion of one or more critical in-stream segment areas on the applicant property but not the entire critical area. (Answer Yes to 1 of questions 2.1-2.7))	7
	5	Size/Length of Stream Segment and Continuity of Protection - Site treats riparian zone where in-stream resources are already protected or in-stream practices are installed. (Answer Yes to 1 of questions 2.1-2.7)	5
	6	Size/Length of Stream Segment and Continuity of Protection - Practice treats riparian zone on only one side of stream segment. (Answer Yes to 1 of questions 2.1-2.7)	3
	7	Size/Length of Stream Segment and Continuity of Protection - None of the above from questions 23-28 applies for this application. (Answer Yes to 1 of questions 2.1-2.7)	0
3		Privately owned land under a conservation easement	
	1	Project will be applied to privately owned land that is under a conservation easement on ground that stays in private ownership, farmland protection easements, etc. Land ownership by conservation organizations or governmental agencies does not qualify.	5

4		Planned resource management system	
	1	The agreement will contribute to applying the planned resource management system for the property.	5
5		Historically Underserved	
	1	Is application with a Historically Underserved Producer?	20
		Maximum Points:	Total Points 108

### Local Questions:

Sub-heading Number	Question Number	Question	Points
1		Geographical Priority Area	
	1	Geographical Priority Area - Riparian sites located in an active IDALS or DNR funded watershed. (Answer Yes to one of questions 1.1 - 1.3)	10
	2	Geographical Priority Area - Riparian sites in a recognized Fish Habitat Partnership under the National Fish Habitat Action Plan. (Answer Yes to one of questions 1.1 - 1.3)	5
	3	Geographical Priority Area - Project site is in neither of the above identified programs. (Answer Yes to one of questions 1.1 - 1.3)	0
2		Threaten & Endangered Species/Proposed Stream Site	
	1	Threaten & Endangered Species - IDNR has identified T & E targeted species in the proposed project site. (Answer Yes to one of questions 2.1 - 2.6)	10
	2	Threaten & Endangered Species - IDNR has identified T & E target species in the area of the project site. (Answer Yes to one of questions 2.1 - 2.6)	5
	3	Threaten & Endangered Species - T & E has not been identified in the area of the project site. (Answer Yes to one of questions 2.1 - 2.6)	0
	4	Proposed Stream Site - IDNR recognizes site as a Class I cold water, or natural reproducing site for the targeted species. (Answer Yes to one of questions 2.1 - 2.6)	10
	5	Proposed Stream Site - IDNR recognizes site as a Class II cold water, or inconsistently reproducing site for the targeted species. (Answer Yes to one of questions 2.1 - 2.6)	5
	6	Proposed Stream Site - Site is not one of above categories from questions 2.4-2.5. (Answer Yes to one of questions 2.1 - 2.6)	0
3		Potential for Resource Improvement or Protection	
	1	Potential for Resource Improvement or Protection - Site is located in a riparian area known by IDNR and FWS as having potential to improve habitat and species numbers for T&E species AND is a stream that IDNR concurs the installation of bank stabilization and in-stream habitat would benefit the fishery. (Answer Yes to one of questions 3.1 - 3.2)	15
	2	Potential for Resource Improvement or Protection - Site is located in a riparian area known by IDNR and FWS as having potential to improve habitat and species numbers for T&E species OR is a stream that IDNR concurs the installation of bank stabilization and in-stream habitat would benefit the fishery. (Answer Yes to one of questions 3.1 - 3.2)	10
4		Group project	
	1	Application is for a group project where two or more adjacent landowners are applying practices to the same habitat resource.	5
5		Contiguous with Protected Land	
	1	Application site is adjacent to (contiguous with) a site under the ownership of a public or non- governmental organization or the adjacent site is protected by a conservation easement.	5
		Maximum Points:	Total Points 80