

Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)



Worksheet
Salina, Kansas
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Fiscal Year (FY) 2008 Kansas Self-Assessment Worksheet - Irrigation – Quick Response Areas

1) Name or Entity: List all who will be a party to the contract and identify as owner or operator. If desired, producer may provide copy of FSA-156EZ.

PHONE NUMBER OF CONTACT (Home)_____ (Cell)_____

E-MAIL OF CONTACT_____

2) Location of Application Acres: Please provide copies of maps with legal descriptions and all fields clearly marked. Locate all wells and indicate all fields serviced by the wells on the map(s).

3) Benchmark Condition: Please complete the following information for the offered acres. Answer the following questions. (circle **Yes** or **No**, where indicated)

- Will application result in conversion of any acres from irrigated to non-irrigated?
If so, please delineate on map(s) provided. **Yes No**
- Do you plan to enroll any irrigated acres in the Water Rights Conservation Program or similar program provided by a groundwater management district?
Yes No
- Land offered has been physically irrigated two out of the last five years?
Yes No
- Do you plan to plant permanent vegetation on any acres being converted to non-irrigated?
If so, please delineate on map(s) provided. **Yes No**
- If you plan to convert to a dryland cropping rotation, what is your planned cropping rotation?_____

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4) Program Requirements:

Note: Producers' reports, to the Division of Water Resources (DWR) or groundwater management district, will be used to determine the benchmark condition of net water savings and irrigated acres. Producers are required to furnish reports from the previous five years, to determine the average benchmark condition and eligible acres, and each year during the contract to ensure net water savings. These reports must be provided by the application evaluation cutoff date for the participant to be eligible under that funding period.

5) Is the acreage offered for EQIP currently under any other U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) conservation program? If so, check those that apply and note the location and program(s) on the map(s) provided.

- Conservation Reserve Program
- Conservation Security Program
- Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program
- Grassland Reserve Program
- Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program
- Wetlands Reserve Program

6) To meet eligibility requirements for EQIP, the following forms must be current and on file with the farm service agency (FSA) for all contract participants that would receive financial assistance. Please verify with FSA. (circle Yes or No)

- Form AD-1026, Highly Erodible Land Conservation and Wetland Conservation Certification
On file: **Yes No**
- Form CCC-501A, Member's Information (for entity and joint operations only)
On file: **Yes No N/A**
- Form CCC-526, Payment Eligibility – Average Adjusted Gross Income Certification
On file: **Yes No**

7) Prior to contract approval, the following will be required:

- a) Participants must agree and set contract shares and identify one decision maker (point of contact) for the contract.
- b) If applicant is not the landowner, the applicant must also furnish evidence of control of the land for the contract period. *(This may be a written lease or other legal agreement, a letter from the owner indicating the participant will have control of the acres for the life of the contract, or a statement signed and dated by the owner indicating control by the participant for the life of the contract.)*
Landowners must sign the contract if the operator cannot provide control of land documentation or a structural practice will be installed.
- c) If applicable, a copy of the corporate charter, bylaws, court orders of appointment, trust agreement, last will and testament, or articles of partnership clearly designating who has signature authority for the entity or joint operation.
- d) If applicable, Power of Attorney (POA) will also be required on the Form NRCS-CPA-9, POA. A legally developed POA is also acceptable.

8) Certification:

This Self-Assessment Worksheet must be completed and signed prior to the EQIP application evaluation cutoff date in order for your application to be eligible for EQIP ranking and funding.

I have answered all the questions on this worksheet and provided the information requested to the best of my ability.

Signature

Date