

## IDAHO EQIP – 2003 - COVER SHEET INSTRUCTIONS

### APPLICANT INFORMATION

Check the predominant land use on the cover sheet under which this application will be evaluated by the designated conservationist. This will also designate which land use pool the application will be ranked in for funding.

Complete the information as shown, names, address, etc. “County” should indicate which FSA office has administrative control of the tract and producer. For tract information, use tract number alone if the entire tract is being covered. Show tract **and** field numbers if less than the entire tract is being covered.

### SCREENING CRITERIA

The screening tools are intended to help reduce the need to score applications that are not eligible and to assist in prioritizing applications for those offices with large application workloads.

Items A and B and C are all self-explanatory.

### ELIGIBILITY

Item D is self-explanatory.

### APPLICANTS SCORE

This section is completed after the Application Evaluation Worksheet (CCC-1201) is complete. The cover sheet and the application evaluation worksheet are reviewed with applicant, who will sign the CCC-1201.

#### **Minimum acceptable score for any rating sheet is 45 points.**

Producers who score less than the minimum score are not considered for ranking. Do NOT submit these applications to the State Office on the county’s compiled ranking sheet for funding.

Protocols for the Rating Sheets follow. You MUST show all planned cost-share practices that will be applied to achieve environmental benefits for the points you have assigned. These practices must then become part of the EQIP contract. DO NOT score points for practices that will **not** be included in the EQIP contract, such as off-site improvements gained through WRP, CRP, WHIP, etc. Any practices included in the EQIP contract must be cost-shared.

**CLAIMING POINTS FOR A RESOURCE PROBLEM REQUIRES A CONSERVATION PRACTICE OR PRACTICES, SCHEDULED FOR IMPLEMENTATION THAT ADDRESSES THE RESOURCE PROBLEM TO MEET THE QUALITY CRITERIA LEVEL.**