

**Natural Resources Conservation Service**

**Application Ranking Summary**

**WHIP - Bear River Russian Olive Control**

<b>Program:</b>	<b>Ranking Date:</b>	<b>Application Number:</b>
<b>Ranking Tool:</b> WHIP - Bear River Russian Olive Control		<b>Applicant:</b>
<b>Final Ranking Score:</b>		<b>Address:</b>
<b>Planner:</b>	<b>Telephone:</b>	
<b>Farm Location:</b>		

**National Priorities Addressed**

<b>Issue Questions</b>	<b>Responses</b>
Healthy Plant & Animal Communities - Wildlife Habitat Conservation - Will the proposed project assist the applicant implement practices which:	
1. a. Retain wildlife and plant benefits on land exiting the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. b. Support existing or new national or landscape initiatives that support State, National or tribal fish or wildlife plans such as: Working Lands for Wildlife	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. c. Benefit federally listed threatened and endangered, at-risk, candidate, fish or wildlife species of concern?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. d. Benefit State WHIP Plan (SWP) prioritized native habitat critical to a fish or wildlife species?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. e. Increase, improve or establish pollinator habitat?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. f. Eradicate or control SWP prioritized noxious or invasive plant species on non-cropland?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. g. Benefit declining or important aquatic wildlife species prioritized in the SWP?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. h. Benefit SWP prioritized fish or wildlife species in forested areas?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. i. Establish habitat on pivot corners and irregular areas on agricultural land?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. j. Provide self-sustaining habitat for SWP prioritized fish and wildlife while reducing net carbon emissions or boosting carbon storage (e.g., warm season perennial grasses, trees or shrubs)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. k. Benefit migration and other movement corridors for SWP prioritized wildlife?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Business Lines - Conservation Implementation - Additional Ranking Considerations - Will the applicant in the proposed project:	
2. a. Implement wildlife habitat practices scheduled in the Schedule or Plan of Operations (NRCS-CPA-1155) within the first two years of date of obligation of the agreement?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

**State Issues Addressed**

<b>Issue Questions</b>	<b>Responses</b>
1. The planned project improves or restores habitat for native birds, mammals, amphibians, or fish species.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. The planned project improves or restores habitat for a threatened or endangered species as shown on the Idaho T&E species list. Link to T&E List: <a href="http://www.fws.gov/idaho/species/T&amp;E/IdahoSpeciesUpdate021313.pdf">http://www.fws.gov/idaho/species/T&amp;E/IdahoSpeciesUpdate021313.pdf</a>	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. The planned project improves or restores habitat for a Species of Greatest Conservation Need as shown in the Conservation Data Center (CDC) Database or fish GIS layers AND on the Idaho Species of Concern List. Link to ID Spp. of Concern List: <a href="http://www.id.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/cons_forms.html">http://www.id.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/cons_forms.html</a>	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

**Local Issues Addressed**

<b>Issue Questions</b>	<b>Responses</b>
1. Conservation plan includes the establishment or management of vegetative habitat.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. The project compliments an existing Resource Management System that has been installed and is operational.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. The project restores or enhances the restoration or protection of one or more identified priority habitats that include riparian, streams, wetlands, shrub/steppe and grassland habitats.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. The project will result in the establishment of permanent vegetation which MUST include woody species or	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

10 additional acres of herbaceous cover that is not currently planted.	
5. There is a signed contribution letter or letter of intent with a conservation partner (i.e. IDFG, USFWS, non-governmental organization or Tribal) to assist with funding.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. The planned project results in the protection of a "non-riparian" wetland a minimum of 1/4 acre	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
7. The planned project results in protection of riparian habitat that includes appropriate native vegetation at least 100 feet in width.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
8. The project includes diversion screening that will have a beneficial effect on native fish or their habitat.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
9. The project includes in-stream habitat improvement or creation that will have a beneficial effect on native fish or their habitat.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
10. 100% of the riparian habitat located within the property boundaries is protected from overuse by humans or livestock and is a minimum of 35 feet wide.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
11. 100% of the water diversions that result in the delivery of irrigation waters to applicant's property will be screened.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>ANSWER YES TO ONLY ONE OF QUESTIONS 12-14</b>	
12. The project will result in at least 1000 feet of riparian habitat protection at least 35 feet wide in an area with Threatened and Endangered or native fish of Federal or State concern.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
13. The project will result in at least 1000 - 2000 feet of riparian habitat protection at least 35 feet wide in an area with threatened and endangered or native fish of Federal or State concern.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
14. The project will result in over 2000 feet of riparian habitat protection at least 35 feet wide in an area with threatened and endangered or native fish of Federal or State concern.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

**Land Use:**

Resource Concerns	Practices
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**Ranking Score**

<p>Efficiency:</p> <p>Local Issues:</p> <p>State Issues:</p> <p>National Issues:</p> <p><b>Final Ranking Score:</b></p>
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This ranking report is for your information. It does not in any way guarantee funding. When funding becomes available, you will be notified if your application is selected for funding. Some changes to the application may be required before a final contract is awarded.

Notes:

<p><b>NRCS Representative:</b></p>  <p><b>Signature Date:</b></p>	<p><b>Applicant Signature Not Required on this report for Contract Development unless required by State policy:</b></p>  <p><b>Signature Date:</b></p>
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