

## Exhibit L - Monarch Butterfly Screening Worksheet

### Monarch Butterfly Screening Criteria Worksheet: NRCS Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) Fiscal Year 2016

**A Screening Worksheet must be completed for each eligible EQIP application.**

**Instructions:**

This screening worksheet must be completed for each eligible producer applying for EQIP Monarch Butterfly assistance. Applications will be accepted on a continuous basis; however, application periods are established for purposes of evaluation, ranking, and funding decisions. The goal of this screening tool is to ensure that conservation technical assistance and EQIP program benefits are managed efficiently to address priority conservation needs related to this national initiative.

Completion of this worksheet and documentation does not constitute agreement to provide EQIP program benefits nor approval of a program contract. The original screening worksheet should be filed with the applicant case file or EQIP program file and unless the application is determined to be ineligible, the screening priority (high and low) must be recorded in ProTracts. Upon request, a copy of any completed screening worksheet may be provided to the applicant.

#### **Detailed Screening Criteria Worksheet – Complete for each eligible EQIP Applicant**

Applicant Name:		County:	
Application No:		Field Office:	
Evaluator Name:		Date:	

#### **Priority Determination for ProTracts:**

<b>Using the USFWS Monarch Butterfly National Conservation Priorities Map, is the application located in the high priority area (red or orange)?</b>  <b>Yes (High) No (Low)</b>	
<b>Has the producer had a financial assistance contract terminated in the past 3 years?</b> <b>Yes (Low) No (High)</b>	
<b>Are any of the planned plantings located adjacent to a (i) cropland field, * or (ii) a pasture or hayland treated with insecticides? If so,</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Is cropland or treated pasture/hayland located on only one side of the planting, and is the planting width less than 125 feet? Yes (Low) No (High)</b></li><li><b>Is cropland treated pastureland/hayland located immediately adjacent to both sides of the planting and is the planting width less than 250 feet? Yes (Low) No (High)</b></li></ul> <b>* it is assumed that all cropland is treated with insecticides or has the potential to be treated.</b>	
<b>Any rating of “Low” will not be ranked.</b>	

The priority determination of high or low must be recorded in ProTracts for this applicant.

D.C. Approval:		Date Approved:	
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