

Wisconsin FY23 Environmental Quality Incentives Program

Workload Prioritization Worksheet: [Climate Smart Agriculture and Forestry](#)

A Workload Prioritization Worksheet must be completed for each eligible EQIP application.

Instructions:

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

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

Detailed Workload Prioritization Criteria Worksheet – Complete for Each Eligible EQIP Applicant	
Applicant Name:	County:
Application No:	Field Office:
Evaluator Name:	Date:
Priority Determination – Select One:	
<p><u>High Priority Category:</u></p> <p>1. Application includes at least 3 core Climate Smart Agriculture and Forestry practices*, excluding Cover Crop (340).</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-OR-</p> <p>2. Application includes Cover Crop (340): then Residue Management No-Till (329) and Cover Crop (340) will be implemented (or previously adopted) on a minimum of 50% of the annually cropped, enrolled, acres by the end of the contract, AND includes 2 additional core Climate Smart Agriculture and Forestry practices*.</p>	High
<p><u>Medium Priority Category:</u></p> <p>1. Application includes at least 2 Core Climate Smart Agricultural and Forestry practices*, excluding Cover Crop (340).</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-OR-</p> <p>2. Application includes Cover Crops (340): then Residue Management, No-Till (329) is either adopted or applied for AND the participant has addressed or is addressing present or potential ephemeral and classic gully erosion concerns on the contracted acres.</p>	Medium
<p><u>Low Priority Category:</u></p> <p>1. Application does not meet High or Medium priority</p>	Low

*See Core Climate Smart Agriculture & Forestry Practices on Next Page

D.C. Approval:		Date Approved:	
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Climate Smart Agriculture and Forestry Core Practice List:

- Anaerobic Digester (366)
- Conservation Cover (327)
- Conservation Crop Rotation (328)
- Contour Buffer Strips (332)
- Cover Crops (340)
- Critical Area Planting (342)*
- Energy Efficient Agricultural Operation (374)*
- Energy Efficient Building Envelope (672)*
- Energy Efficient Lighting System (670)*
- Field Border (386)
- Filter Strips (393)
- Forage and Biomass Planting (512)
- Forest Stand Improvement (666)*
- Grassed Waterway (412)
- Nutrient Management (590)
- Prescribed Grazing (528)
- Residue Management, No-Till (329)
- Riparian Forest Buffer (391)
- Silvopasture Establishment (381)
- Stripcropping (585)
- Tree and Shrub Establishment (612)
- Upland Wildlife Habitat (645)
- Waste Separation Facility (632)
- Wetland Restoration (657)*
- Wildlife Habitat Planting (420)*
- Windbreaks/Shelterbelts Establishment and Renovation (380)

*Denotes newly added for FY23