

Team 4 Local Pools

Statewide Ranking Question 1 (all ranking pools)		
Question Text	Has the application previously been deferred?	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
		Points
Answer 1	YES	10
Answer 2	NO	0
	Total Points	10

Statewide Ranking Question 2 (all ranking pools)		
Question Text	Does the application include Climate Smart Practices?	
Question hover text (Notes)	311, Alley Cropping, 327, Conservation Cover, 328, Cons. Crop Rotation, 329, No Till, 332, Contour Buffer Strips, 340, Cover Crop 342, Critical Area Planting, 345, Reduced Till, 372, Combustion System Improvement, 374, Energy Efficient Ag Operation, 380, Windbreaks/Shelterbelt Est and Reno, 381, Silvopasture, 386, Field Border, 390, Riparian Herbaceous Cover, 391, Riparian Forest Buffer, 393, Filter Strips, 420, Wildlife Habitat Planting, 422, Hedgerow Planting, 484, Mulching, 512, Pasture and Hay Planting, 528, Prescribed Grazing, 550, Range Planting, 590, Nutrient Management, 601, Vegetative Barriers, 603, Herbaceous Wind Barriers, 612, Tress/Shrub Establishment, 645, Upland Wildlife Habitat Management, 657, Wetland Restoration, 666, Forest Stand Improvement, 670, Energy Efficient Lighting System, 672, Energy Efficient Building Envelope	
Answer Type	Multiple Choice	
		Points
Answer 1	YES, only 1	20
Answer 2	YES, 2 or 3	35
Answer 3	YES, 4 or more	50
Answer 4	NO	0
	Total Points	50

Statewide Ranking Question 3 (all ranking pools)		
Question Text	Is the application in a Source Water Protection Area?	
Answer Type	Geospatial	
		Points
Answer 1	YES, Source Water Protection Area	20
Answer 2	No	0
	Total Points	20

Pool Name	Team 4 Range
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Land Use 1	Range
Applicability	Team 4

Local Ranking Question 1

Question Text	Will the proposed project include implementation of a prescribed grazing plan (528)?	
Question hover text (Notes)	prescribed grazing system for each herd on the offered planning unit acres. At current time, the system does not meet 528 CPS due to a lack of fencing and/or water, or due to a management issue (such as improper rest periods and/or overstocking). Water must be available to each field in the grazing system upon implementation. Upon implementation, the new system will meet purposes of the 528 CPS; forage-animal balance, adequate water needs, drought contingency planning and monitoring with record keeping.	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
		Points
Answer 1	Yes	50
Answer 2	No	0
		Total Points
		50

Local Ranking Question 2

Question Text	Will the proposed project complement or connect existing conservation practices in the area of concern?	
Question hover text (Notes)	Answer YES if the assessment includes planned practices that connect or adjoin an existing and documented conservation practice in the area of concern. Existing conservation practices will be documented on a plan map indicating conservation practice code with delineated treatment area.	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
		Points
Answer 1	Yes	35
Answer 2	No	0
		Total Points
		35

Local Ranking Question 3

Question Text	Will brush management (314) be applied on the application acres where woody species have been determined to be invasive per the ESD?	
Question hover text (Notes)	Answer YES if the assessment includes planned 314 CPS and the ESD for the offered land units indicates woody species are determined to be invasive.	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
		Points
Answer 1	Yes	35
Answer 2	No	0
		Total Points
		35

Local Ranking Question 4

Question Text	Will the proposed project address landscape level wildlife concerns such as improving wildlife habitat connectivity, noxious/invasive species listed on the Arizona NRCS List of Noxious/Invasive Species, or improve water access for wildlife?	
Question hover text (Notes)	Answer YES if the assessment includes at least one practice listed as a planned practice that includes a wildlife or pollinator benefit: 327, 332, 386, 390, 420, 614, 472, 314, 342, 647, 512, 666, 422, 315, 338, 528, 643, 391, 646, 649, 612, 645, 351, 658, 659, 657, 420, 380	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
		Points
Answer 1	Yes	40
Answer 2	No	0
	Total Points	40

Local Ranking Question 5

Question Text	Will the proposed project address livestock water development by distributing reliable water sources that will facilitate a grazing system?	
Question hover text (Notes)	Answer YES if the assessment includes at least one practice listed as planned practice for a new prescribed grazing system for each herd on the offered planning unit acres. At current time, the system does not meet 528 CPS due to a lack of fencing and/or water, and not due solely to a management issue (such as improper rest periods provided and/or overstocking). Water must be available to each field in the grazing system upon implementation. Upon implementation, the new system will meet the 528 CPS. OR Answer yes if the assessment includes at least one practice listed as a planned practice for adding additional land to an established grazing system where the total planned system will be 8 paddocks or more per herd. 516, 533, 574, 614, 642	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
		Points
Answer 1	Yes	40
Answer 2	No	0
	Total Points	40

Pool Name	Team 4 Crop
Land Use 1	Crop
Applicability	Team 4

Local Ranking Question 1

Question Text	Will Field Sediment, Nutrient and pathogen loss - Excessive sediments in surface water resource concern be addressed with planned practices; Field border (386), Filter Strip (393) or Cover crop (340) in a field adjacent to a sensitive area (pond, stream, wetland).	
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Question hover text (Notes)	Answer YES if the assessment includes one of the conservation practices listed below as a planned practice and located within 100' of a sensitive area. For the purposes of this particular ranking question, consider a stream as "surface water" and defined as either intermittent or perennial, having at least 30 acres of drainage, and at least 1000' of defined channel. Farm ponds, lakes, and wetlands are to be considered. CPC = 386, 393, 340	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
		Points
Answer 1	yes	50
Answer 2	No	0
Total Points		50

Local Ranking Question 2

Question Text	Will Soil Quality Limitations- Organic Matter Depletion resource concern be addressed with EQIP planned practice Cover Crop (340) to be applied on eligible cropland acres?	
Question hover text (Notes)	Answer YES if the assessment includes Cover Crop (340) as a planned practice on the offered cropland acres. Rotations with winter cereal grain following a warm season grain crop can be answered yes if a cover crop is planned the years of the rotation when winter cereals are not planted.	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
		Points
Answer 1	Yes	35
Answer 2	No	0
Total Points		35

Local Ranking Question 3

Question Text	Will Source Water Depletion - inefficient irrigation water use be addressed with EQIP planned practices: Irrigation Land Leveling (464), Irrigation Pipeline (430) and/or Irrigation System Surface and Subsurface (443), Sprinkler system (442), micro irrigation (441) to be completed on the eligible cropland acres on the Tract(s)?	
Question hover text (Notes)	Answer YES if the assessment includes one of the conservation practices as a planned practice: 464, 430, 443, 442, 441	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
		Points
Answer 1	Yes	35
Answer 2	No	0
Total Points		35

Local Ranking Question 4

Question Text	Will the planned practices increase irrigation efficiency?	
Question hover text (Notes)	Answer YES if the assessment tool FIRI indicates irrigation efficiency improvements in the ranges listed in a, b and c.	
Answer Type	Multiple Choice	
		Points

Answer 1	The application will increase irrigation efficiency <10%	10
Answer 2	The application will increase irrigation efficiency 10-20%	20
Answer 3	The application will increase irrigation efficiency >20%	45
	Total Points	45

Local Ranking Question 5

Question Text	Does the assessment address Wind and Water Erosion by including planned practices that convert at least 5% of the offered acres from annual cropland to permanent vegetation utilizing wildlife friendly or native species?	
Question hover text (Notes)	Answer YES if the assessment includes one of the conservation practices listed below as a planned practice to address Wind and Water Erosion on at least 5% of the offered cropland acres, and the plantings will specifically utilize wildlife friendly or native species. CPC = 327, 332, 342, 380, 386, 390, 391, 393, 412, 420, 512, 612.	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
		Points
Answer 1	Yes	35
Answer 2	No	0
	Total Points	35

Pool Name	Team 4 Pasture
Land Use 1	Pasture
Applicability	Team 4

Local Ranking Question 1

Question Text	Will Degraded Plant Condition - Undesirable Plant Productivity and Health resource concern be addressed with planned practice Prescribed Grazing (528)?	
Question hover text (Notes)	Answer YES if the assessment includes planned practices for a new prescribed grazing system for each herd on the offered planning unit acres. At current time, the system does not meet 528 CPS due to a lack of fencing and/or water, or due to a management issue (such as improper rest periods and/or overstocking). Water must be available to each field in the grazing system upon implementation. Upon implementation, the new system will meet purposes of the 528 CPS; forage-animal balance, adequate water needs, drought contingency planning and monitoring with record keeping.	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
		Points
Answer 1	Yes	50
Answer 2	No	0
	Total Points	50

Local Ranking Question 2

Question Text	Does the proposed project address a wildlife resource concern such as pollinator habitat, shelter or food source?	
Question hover text (Notes)	Answer YES if the assessment includes at least one practice listed as a planned practice that includes component to benefit wildlife or pollinators: 327, 332, 386, 390, 420, 614, 472, 314, 342, 647, 512, 666, 422, 315, 338, 528, 643, 391, 646, 649, 612, 645, 351, 658, 659, 657, 420, 380	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
	Points	
Answer 1	Yes	35
Answer 2	No	0
	Total Points	35

Local Ranking Question 3

Question Text	Will Livestock Production Limitation - Inadequate Feed and Forage be addressed by including planned practice Forage and Biomass Planting (512) inter-seeding legumes on 25% of the eligible pastureland acres?	
Question hover text (Notes)	Determine the planning units being offered in this Pasture/Hayland applications. Answer YES if the assessment includes a 512 practice scenario- inter-seeding legumes on eligible pastureland acres.	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
	Points	
Answer 1	Yes	35
Answer 2	No	0
	Total Points	35

Local Ranking Question 4

Question Text	Will Degraded Plant Condition - Undesirable Plant Productivity and Health resource concern be addressed and will the EQIP planned practice Access Control (472) be utilized on at least one sensitive area (i.e. stream, spring, wetlands, or water bodies) to exclude livestock within the pastureland acres where livestock currently have access?	
Question hover text (Notes)	Answer yes if the assessment includes 472 planned practice on at least one land unit that is "directly adjacent" (upstream and within 100') to a perennial or intermittent stream [intermittent stream defined as having at least 30 acres drainage and 1000 feet of defined channel]) or surface water (pond, lake, or wetland).	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
	Points	
Answer 1	Yes	35
Answer 2	No	0
	Total Points	35

Local Ranking Question 5

Question Text	Will the planned practices increase irrigation efficiency?	
hover text (Notes)	Answer YES if the assessment tool FIRI indicates irrigation efficiency improvements in the ranges listed in a, b and c.	

Answer Type	Multiple Choice	
		Points
Answer 1	The application will increase irrigation efficiency <10%	10
Answer 2	The application will increase irrigation efficiency 10-20%	20
Answer 3	The application will increase irrigation efficiency >20%	45
	Total Points	45

Pool Name	Team 4 Forestry/Wildlife
Land Use 1	Forest
Land Use 2	Range
Applicability	Team 4

Local Ranking Question 1		
Question Text	Will Forest Stand Improvement (666) be applied on at least 25% of the offered acres (as recommend in an existing Forest Management Plan or Forest Stewardship Plan)?	
Question hover text (Notes)	Answer YES if the assessment includes Forest Stand Improvement (666) as a planned practice on the forest land units included in the assessment as recommended in an approved Forest Management Plan.	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
		Points
Answer 1	yes	75
Answer 2	no	0
	Total Points	75

Local Ranking Question 2		
Question Text	Will the proposed practices address wildfire hazard and excessive biomass accumulation using prescribed fire (as recommend in an existing Forest Management Plan or Forest Stewardship Plan) (338)?	
hover text (Notes)	Answer YES if the assessment includes prescribed burn 338 CPS and is prescribed in an existing FMP or FSP.	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
		Points
Answer 1	Yes	35
Answer 2	No	0
	Total Points	35

Local Ranking Question 3		
Question Text	Is the area to be treated located within 500 feet of a 303D listed stream?	
Question hover text (Notes)	Answer YES if the offered acres are located within 500' of a listed 303D stream. Refer to the AZ Dept. of Environmental Quality website for 303D listed water bodies. Document source of 303D designation on plan map.	
Answer Type	Yes/No	

		Points
Answer 1	Yes	25
Answer 2	No	0
	Total Points	25

Local Ranking Question 4

Question Text	Will Brush Management (314) and/or Herbaceous Weed Control (315) practice be applied to specifically address invasive/noxious/prohibited plants, such as non-native salt cedar, Russian olive, camelthorn, knapweed, etc. on the offered acres where these species occur (as recommend in an existing Forest Management Plan or Forest Stewardship Plan)?	
Question hover text (Notes)	Answer YES if the assessment includes 314 and/or 315 conservation practices to address invasive/noxious plants as prescribed in an existing FMP or FSP. Refer to the Arizona NRCS List of Noxious/Invasive Species for listed species of concern.	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
		Points
Answer 1	Yes	25
Answer 2	No	0
	Total Points	25

Local Ranking Question 5

Question Text	Does the proposed project complement existing work from private, municipal, county, state, and/or federal cooperators?	
Question hover text (Notes)	Answer YES if the assessment includes planned practices that connect or adjoin an existing and documented conservation practice in the area of concern. Existing conservation practices will be documented on a plan map indicating conservation practice code with delineated treatment area.	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
		Points
Answer 1	Yes	25
Answer 2	No	0
	Total Points	25

Local Ranking Question 6

Question Text	Inadequate Habitat: Will at least one planned practice be implemented on the offered planning land unit to provide beneficial habitat for native pollinators?	
Question hover text (Notes)	Answer YES if the assessment includes at least one practice listed as planned for native/pollinator species only: 327, 332, 386, 390, 420 Refer to the Wildlife and Pollinator Plantings CPS 420.	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
		Points
Answer 1	Yes	15
Answer 2	No	0
	Total Points	15

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Pool Name	Team 4 White Mountain Apache Tribe
Land Use 1	Range
Land Use 2	Crop
Land Use 3	Pasture
Land Use 4	Forest
Applicability	Whiteriver FO

Local Ranking Question 1

Question Text	Will the proposed project include implementation of a prescribed grazing plan (528)?	
Question hover text (Notes)	Answer YES if the assessment includes planned 528 CPS for a new prescribed grazing system for each herd on the offered planning unit acres. At current time, the system does not meet 528 CPS due to a lack of fencing and/or water, or due to a management issue (such as improper rest periods and/or overstocking). Water must be available to each field in the grazing system upon implementation. Upon implementation, the new system will meet purposes of the 528 CPS; forage-animal balance, adequate water needs, drought contingency planning and monitoring with record	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
	Points	
Answer 1	Yes	20
Answer 2	No	0
	Total Points	20

Local Ranking Question 2

Question Text	Will the proposed project complement or connect existing conservation practices in the area of concern?	
Question hover text (Notes)	Answer YES if the assessment includes planned practices that connect or adjoin an existing and documented conservation practice in the area of concern. Existing conservation practices will be documented on a plan map indicating conservation practice code with delineated treatment area.	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
	Points	
Answer 1	Yes	30
Answer 2	No	0
	Total Points	30

Local Ranking Question 3

Question Text	Will brush management (314) be applied on the application acres where woody species have been determined to be invasive per the ESD?	
Question hover text (Notes)	Answer YES if the assessment includes planned 314 CPS and the ESD for the offered land units indicates woody species are determined to be invasive.	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
	Points	

Answer 1	Yes	30
Answer 2	No	0
	Total Points	30

Local Ranking Question 4

Question Text	Will the planned practices increase irrigation efficiency?	
Question hover text (Notes)	Answer YES if the assessment tool FIRI indicates irrigation efficiency improvements in the ranges listed in a, b and c.	
Answer Type	Multiple Choice	
	Points	
Answer 1	The application will increase irrigation efficiency <10%	10
Answer 2	The application will increase irrigation efficiency 10-20%	20
Answer 3	The application will increase irrigation efficiency >20%	40
Answer 4	Not applicable	0
	Total Points	40

Local Ranking Question 5

Question Text	Will the planned practices directly benefit a Tribal species of concern?	
Question hover text (Notes)	Answer YES if the assessment includes a planned practice that will benefit documented species per tribal documentation.	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
	Points	
Answer 1	Yes	15
Answer 2	No	0
	Total Points	15

Local Ranking Question 6

Question Text	Will the proposed project address landscape level concerns such as sheet, rill and wind erosion or concentrated flow erosion?	
Question hover text (Notes)	Answer yes if the following CPC are planned in the assessment: Access Control (472) Anionic Polyacrylamide (PAM) Erosion Control (450) Brush Management (314) Critical Area Planting (342) Diversion (362) Fence (382) Prescribed Grazing (528) Range Planting (550) Tree and Shrub Establishment (612)	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
	Points	
Answer 1	Yes	40
Answer 2	No	0
	Total Points	40

Local Ranking Question 7

Question Text	Will the proposed project address landscape level concerns for resource concern category degraded plant condition- inadequate structure and competition and/or excessive plant pest pressure?	
Question hover text (Notes)	Answer yes if one of the following CPC is planned in the assessment: Access Control (472) Brush Management (314) Critical Area Planting (342) Fence (382) Forest Stand Improvement (666) Prescribed Grazing (528) Range Planting (550)	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
		Points
Answer 1	Yes	25
Answer 2	No	0
	Total Points	25