

Joint Chiefs

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

Statewide Ranking Question 4 (all ranking pools)

Question Text	Does the EQIP contract leverage the management of natural resources across land ownership (public-private) boundaries?	
Answer Type	Multiple Choice	
		Points
Answer 1	EQIP project is located in an area that is adjacent to high priority projects on public land as identified in the selected JCLRP project proposal.	100
Answer 2	EQIP project is located in an area that is within the same 12-digit hydrologic unit as high priority projects on public land as identified in the selected JCLRP project proposal	75
	Total Points	100

Pool Name	Northern Arizona Habitat Restoration and Wildfire Risk Reduction Partnership (Joint Chiefs)
Land Use 1	Range
Land Use 2	Forest
Applicability	Flagstaff Service Center JC Project Area

Local Ranking Question 1		
Question Text	Will the proposed project address the resource concern- Degraded Plant Condition? For the next 5 questions, answer yes to only one.	
Answer Type	Multiple Choice	
		Points
Answer 1	Contracted conservation practices will improve the similarity index (SI) from a current score of: <20 and/or improve 6 RHA Biotic Integrity factors to < Moderate (60 pts)	60
Answer 2	Contracted conservation practices will improve the similarity index (SI) from a current score of: 21 to 30 and/or improve 5 RHA Biotic Integrity factors to < Moderate (50 pts)	50
Answer 3	Contracted conservation practices will improve the similarity index (SI) from a current score of: 31 to 40 and/or improve 5 RHA Biotic Integrity factors to < Moderate (40 pts)	40
Answer 4	Contracted conservation practices will improve the similarity index (SI) from a current score of: 41 to 50 and/or improve 4 RHA Biotic Integrity factors to < Moderate (30 pts)	30
Answer 5	Contracted conservation practices will improve the similarity index (SI) from a current score of: 51 to 60 and/or improve 3 RHA Biotic Integrity factors to < Moderate (20 pts)	20
	Total Points	60

Local Ranking Question 2		
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Question Text	Does the proposed project address Soil Quality Degradation resource concerns? For the next 3 questions, answer yes to only one.	
Answer Type	Multiple Choice	
		Points
Answer 1	Contracted conservation practices will improve Rangeland Soil/Site Stability and/or Hydrology Function from an existing departure value of: Extreme (60 pts)	60
Answer 2	Contracted conservation practices will improve Rangeland Soil/Site Stability and/or Hydrology Function from an existing departure value of: Moderate to Extreme (40 pts)	40
Answer 3	Contracted conservation practices will improve Rangeland Soil/Site Stability and/or Hydrology Function from an existing departure value of: Moderate (20 pts)	20
	Total Points	60

Local Ranking Question 3		
Question Text	Will the proposed project address the resource concern- Inadequate Habitat for Fish and Wildlife? For the next 3 questions, answer yes to only one?	
Answer Type	Multiple Choice	
		Points
Answer 1	Contracted conservation practices address available terrestrial wildlife habitat to improve the WHEG Fragmentation score to: 0.8 or greater (30 Pts)	30
Answer 2	Contracted conservation practices address available terrestrial wildlife habitat to improve the WHEG Fragmentation score to: 0.6 to 0.7 (20 Pts)	20
Answer 3	Contracted conservation practices address available terrestrial wildlife habitat to improve the WHEG Fragmentation score to: 0.5 (10 Pts)	10
	Total Points	30

Local Ranking Question 4		
Question Text	Will the proposed project address the resource concern- Domestic Animals-Inadequate Stock Water (Rangeland, Grazed Forest, Pasture)? For the next 4 questions, answer yes to only one.	
Answer Type	Multiple Choice	
		Points
Answer 1	On the contracted acres, conservation practices increase the percent of the grazable areas that are within 1.5 miles of permanent reliable water (in relation to existing water sources) by: >75% (50 pts)	50
Answer 2	On the contracted acres, conservation practices increase the percent of the grazable areas that are within 1.5 miles of permanent reliable water (in relation to existing water sources) by: 50-74% (35 pts)	35

Answer 3	On the contracted acres, conservation practices increase the percent of the grazable areas that are within 1.5 miles of permanent reliable water (in relation to existing water sources) by: 25-49% (20 pts)	20
Answer 4	On the contracted acres, conservation practices increase the percent of the grazable areas that are within 1.5 miles of permanent reliable water (in relation to existing water sources) by: 10-24% (5 pts)	5
	Total Points	50

Local Ranking Question 5

Question Text	Has the applicant participated in other NRCS contracts and maintained their practices according to NRCS operation and maintenance guidelines OR has the applicant not participated in an NRCS contract before?	
Answer Type	Yes/No	
		Points
Answer 1	Yes	50
Answer 2	No	0
	Total Points	50

Pool Name	Catalina Rincon Restoration Project (Joint Chiefs)
Land Use 1	Range
Land Use 2	Forest
Applicability	Team 7 JC Project Area

Local Ranking Question 1

Question Text	How many unique conservation practices were assessed (multiple instances of the same practice = 1)	
Answer Type	Multiple Choice	
		Points
Answer 1	Only 1	0
Answer 2	2 or 3	10
Answer 3	4	30
Answer 4	5 or More	50
	Total Points	50

Local Ranking Question 2

Question Text	How many of the approved Resource Concerns were assessed.	
Answer Type	Multiple Choice	
		Points
Answer 1	Only 1	0
Answer 2	2 or 3	10
Answer 3	4	30
Answer 4	5 or More	50
	Total Points	50