



Ranking Pool Report

Ranking Pool: Northern Bobwhite FY24

Program: EQIP

Pool Status: Active

States: IL (Admin)

Template: Working Lands for Wildlife (WLFW) Northern Bobwhite (NOBO)

Template Status: Active

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Land Uses and Modifiers

Land Use	Grazed	Wildlife	Irrigated	Hayed	Drained	Organic	Water Feature	Protected	Urban	Aquaculture
Associated Ag Land	--	--	--	--	N/A	--	--	--	--	--
Crop	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Forest	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	--	--	--	--	--
Pasture	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

Resource Concern Categories

Categories			
Category	Min %	Default %	Max %
Degraded plant condition	20	50	60
Terrestrial habitat	40	50	100

Degraded plant condition			
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Plant productivity and health	0	--	100
Plant structure and composition	0	100	100

Terrestrial habitat			
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Terrestrial habitat for wildlife and invertebrates	100	100	100

Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Type
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Brush Management	314	Conservation Practices
Herbaceous Weed Treatment	315	Conservation Practices
Conservation Cover	327	Conservation Practices
Prescribed Burning	338	Conservation Practices
Fence	382	Conservation Practices
Woody Residue Treatment	384	Conservation Practices
Field Border	386	Conservation Practices
Riparian Herbaceous Cover	390	Conservation Practices
Riparian Forest Buffer	391	Conservation Practices
Firebreak	394	Conservation Practices
Wildlife Habitat Planting	420	Conservation Practices
Hedgerow Planting	422	Conservation Practices
Mulching	484	Conservation Practices
Tree/Shrub Site Preparation	490	Conservation Practices
Pasture and Hay Planting	512	Conservation Practices
Prescribed Grazing	528	Conservation Practices
Tree/Shrub Establishment	612	Conservation Practices
Restoration of Rare or Declining Natural Communities	643	Conservation Practices
Upland Wildlife Habitat Management	645	Conservation Practices
Early Successional Habitat Development-Mgt	647	Conservation Practices
Structures for Wildlife	649	Conservation Practices
Forest Stand Improvement	666	Conservation Practices

Ranking Weights

Factors	Algorithm	Allowable Min	Default	Allowable Max
Vulnerabilities	Default	15	20	40
Planned Practice Effects	Default	10	15	15
Resource Priorities	Default	20	50	60

Factors	Algorithm	Allowable Min	Default	Allowable Max
Program Priorities	Default	5	5	15
Efficiencies	Default	10	10	10

Display Group: Northern Bobwhite Illinois FY24 (Active)

 An asterisk will be displayed to show that it is a conditional section or conditional question.

Survey: Applicability Questions

Section: Applicability		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Does the planning land unit (PLU) intersect the national WLFW Northern Bobwhite boundary layer?	Yes	--
	No	--

Survey: Category Questions

Section: Category		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Will the application include practices to establish or manage habitat for the Northern Bobwhite?	YES	--
	NO	--

Survey: Program Questions

Section: Program		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Did the applicant self-certify as a Historically Underserved (HU) farmer or rancher on the NRCS-CPA-1200, Conservation Program Application? Note: Four groups are defined by USDA as Historically Underserved, including farmers or ranchers who are: Beginning; Socially Disadvantaged; Veterans; and Limited Resource.	YES	10
	NO	0
Has the applicant had an EQIP contract terminated in the last 3 years?	YES	-100
	NO	0

Survey: Resource Questions

Section: Resource		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Is the PLU a high potential for habitat restoration benefiting the Northern Bobwhite per the National Bobwhite Conservation Initiative (NBCI) habitat potential criteria?	High Habitat Potential	20
	Not a High Habitat Potential	0

Section: Resource

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Habitat priority: Does the PLU intersect a priority area? (Only choose one answer)	Any PLU is within 5 miles of protected lands (state or federal conservation lands, conservation easement, military installation).	40
	Any PLU is planned to support terrestrial wildlife habitat development.	30
	None of the above.	0
Direct Target Species Benefits: Does the PLU directly benefit Northern Bobwhite (NOBO) or other declining grasslands wildlife or pollinators? (Only choose one answer)	PLU is within 3 miles of any documented terrestrial state or federal T&E, or candidate for listing and/or declining bird species (e.g., Bachman's sparrow, prairie warbler, bobolink, eastern or western meadowlark, any shrike species, grassland sparrow, common ground dove, upland sandpiper).	60
	PLU is within 5 miles of occupied NOBO site or regularly managed suitable habitat.	30
	PLU is or will be > 90% native grasslands, forbs, or savannas and/or will include milkweed establishment or management.	20
	None of the above.	0
Threats Addressed: Do the planned practices include actions prioritized to restore native habitat? (Only choose one answer)	A prescribed burn during the growing season is planned on the PLU.	80
	A prescribed burn in any season is on the PLU and/or pollinator forage plant materials plantings are planned.	70
	At least one of the following priority conservation practices is planned on the PLU: Forest Stand Improvement (666) or Brush Management (314).	65
	At least one of the following practices is planned on the PLU: Pasture and Hay Planting (512) using only native seed mixes or range planting using only native seed mixes.	60
	At least one practice is planned that provides woody vegetative cover for wildlife use: Wildlife Habitat Planting (420), Hedgerow Planting (422), Tree/Shrub Establishment (612), or Field Border (386).	50
	At least one of the following practices is planned on the PLU: invasive species control or Conservation Cover (327).	30
	None of the above.	0