

Ranking Pool Report

Ranking Pool Iowa NIPF FY26

Program CStwP

Pool Status Active

Tags

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Existing Practice Included No

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National Pool No

Include States IA (Admin)

Land Uses and Modifiers

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

Resource Concern Categories

Categories			
Category	Min %	Default %	Max %
Air (Air quality emissions)	0	1	30
Animals (Aquatic habitat)	0	6	30
Animals (Livestock production limitation)	0	6	30
Animals (Terrestrial habitat)	0	14	30
Energy (Inefficient energy use)	0	1	30
Plants (Degraded plant condition)	0	14	30
Plants (Fire management)	0	11	30
Plants (Pest pressure)	0	14	30
Soil (Concentrated erosion)	0	14	30
Soil (Soil quality limitations)	0	14	30
Soil (Wind and water erosion)	0	2	30
Water (Storage and handling of pollutants)	0	2	30
Water (Weather resilience)	0	1	30

Air (Air quality emissions)			
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Air Quality (Emissions of airborne reactive nitrogen)	0	25	50
Air Quality (Emissions of greenhouse gases - GHGs)	0	50	50

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Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Air Quality (Emissions of particulate matter (PM) and PM precursors)	0	25	50

Animals (Aquatic habitat)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Aquatic Habitat (Aquatic habitat for fish and other organisms)	0	80	100
Aquatic Habitat (Elevated water temperature)	0	20	100

Animals (Livestock production limitation)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Livestock Health (Feed and forage balance)	0	50	50
Livestock Health (Inadequate livestock water quantity, quality and distribution)	0	50	50

Animals (Terrestrial habitat)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Terrestrial Habitat (Terrestrial habitat for wildlife and invertebrates)	0	100	100

Energy (Inefficient energy use)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Energy Use (Energy efficiency of equipment and facilities)	0	50	100
Energy Use (Energy efficiency of farming/ranching practices and field operations)	0	50	100

Plants (Degraded plant condition)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Plant Health (Plant productivity and health)	0	50	100
Plant Health (Plant structure and composition)	0	50	100

Plants (Fire management)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Wildfire Hazard (Wildfire hazard from biomass accumulation)	0	100	100

Plants (Pest pressure)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Plant Health (Plant pest pressure)	0	100	100

Soil (Concentrated erosion)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
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Soil (Concentrated erosion)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Soil Erosion (Bank erosion from streams, shorelines or water conveyance channels)	0	50	50
Soil Erosion (Classic gully erosion)	0	50	50

Soil (Soil quality limitations)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Soil Health (Aggregate instability)	0	25	50
Soil Health (Compaction)	0	25	50
Soil Health (Organic matter depletion)	0	25	50
Soil Health (Soil organism habitat loss or degradation)	0	25	50

Soil (Wind and water erosion)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Soil Erosion (Sheet and rill erosion)	0	90	100
Soil Erosion (Wind erosion)	0	10	100

Water (Storage and handling of pollutants)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water Quality (Nutrients transported to groundwater)	0	40	50
Water Quality (Nutrients transported to surface water)	0	40	50
Water Quality (Petroleum, heavy metals and other pollutants transported to groundwater)	0	10	50
Water Quality (Petroleum, heavy metals and other pollutants transported to surface water)	0	10	50

Water (Weather resilience)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water Quantity (Naturally available moisture use)	0	50	50
Water Quantity (Ponding and flooding)	0	50	50

Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
Forest Management Plan	106	00N	Activities
Soil Health Management Plan	116	00N	Activities
Agricultural Energy Design	120	00N	Activities
Soil Health Management System Design	162	00N	Activities

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
Conservation Plan	199	00N	Activities
Adaptive Management for Soil Health	204	00N	Activities
Soil Health Testing	216	00N	Activities
Soil and Source Testing for Nutrient Management	217	00N	Activities
Agricultural Energy Assessment	228	00N	Activities
Alley Cropping	311	00N	Conservation Practices
Brush Management	314	00N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Herbaceous Weed Treatment	315	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Conservation Cover	327	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Soil Carbon Amendment	336	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Prescribed Burning	338	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Critical Area Planting	342	00N	Conservation Practices
Energy Efficient Agricultural Operation	374	00N, 01N, 02N, 03N, 04N, 05N, 06N	Conservation Practices
Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment and Renovation	380	00N	Conservation Practices
Silvopasture	381	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Fence	382	00N, 03N, 04N	Conservation Practices
Woody Residue Treatment	384	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Field Border	386	00N	Conservation Practices
Riparian Herbaceous Cover	390	00N, 01N, 02N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Riparian Forest Buffer	391	00N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Filter Strip	393	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Firebreak	394	00N	Conservation Practices
Stream Habitat Improvement and Management	395	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Wildlife Habitat Planting	420	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Hedgerow Planting	422	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Access Control	472	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Mulching	484	00N, 02N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Tree/Shrub Site Preparation	490	00N	Conservation Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
Heavy Use Area Protection	561	00N	Conservation Practices
Stormwater Runoff Control	570	00N	Conservation Practices
Nutrient Management	590	00N, 06N, 07N, 08N	Conservation Practices
Amendments for Treatment of Agricultural Waste	591	00N	Conservation Practices
Pest Management Conservation System	595	00N, 05N, 06N, 07N	Conservation Practices
Tree/Shrub Establishment	612	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Vegetated Treatment Area	635	00N	Conservation Practices
Restoration of Rare or Declining Natural Communities	643	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management	644	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Upland Wildlife Habitat Management	645	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Seasonal Water Management for Wildlife	646	00N	Conservation Practices
Early Successional Habitat Development-Mgt	647	00N	Conservation Practices
Structures for Wildlife	649	00N	Conservation Practices
Forest Trails and Landings	655	00N	Conservation Practices
Forest Stand Improvement	666	00N	Conservation Practices
Energy Efficient Lighting System	670	00N, 01N, 02N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Energy Efficient Building Envelope	672	00N, 01N, 02N, 03N, 04N	Conservation Practices
TA Planning	910	00N	TSP Codes
TA Design	911	00N	TSP Codes
TA Application	912	00N	TSP Codes
TA Check-Out	913	00N	TSP Codes
Existing Activity Payment	E300EAP	00N	CStwP Enhancements (2018)

Ranking Weights

Factors	Algorithm	Allowable Min	Default	Allowable Max
Vulnerabilities	Adjustment (A)	5	5	10
Planned Practice Effects	Adjustment (C)	35	35	50
Resource Priorities	Default	15	35	35

Factors	Algorithm	Allowable Min	Default	Allowable Max
Program Priorities	Default	15	15	35
Efficiencies	Default	10	10	10

Display Group: Iowa NIPF (Active)



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

Survey: Applicability Questions

Section: Iowa NIPF		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Is this a Non-Industrial Private Forest Land (NIPF) application in Iowa?	Yes	--
	No	--

Survey: Category Questions

Section: NIPF category		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Choose ALL categories applicable to applicant.	Beginning applicant	--
	Socially disadvantaged applicant	--
	Regenerative pilot program	--
	Forestry	--
	Not applicable	--
	Reserve	--

Survey: Program Questions

Section: NIPF program		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Select all State priority resource concern categories met at the time of application. Select each SPRC that is met at least once.	Concentrated erosion	15
	Fire management	15
	Degraded plant condition	15
	Terrestrial habitat	15
	Aquatic habitat	15
	Livestock production limitations	15
	Soil quality limitations	15
	Pest pressure	15

Section: NIPF program

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Does the applicant meet the NRCS definition of a veteran producer?	YES	20
	NO	0
Is at least 50% of the operation located in a priority watershed, as identified by the local working group? (Geospatially answered)	Yes	45
	No	0

Survey: Resource Questions

Section: NIPF resource

Question	Answer Choices	Points
By the end of the contract, applicant will implement additional conservation activities across the operation that allows the producer to-	Exceed the stewardship threshold for more than three additional resource concern categories on at least two land uses.	100
	Exceed the stewardship threshold for two or three additional resource concern categories on at least two land uses.	75
	Exceed the stewardship threshold for one additional resource concern category on at least two land uses.	60
	Exceed the stewardship threshold for more than three additional resource concern categories on one land use.	50
	Exceed the stewardship threshold for two or three additional resource concern categories on one land use.	40
	Meet the stewardship threshold for two or three additional resource concern categories on at least two land uses.	25
	Meet the stewardship threshold for one additional resource concern category on at least two land uses.	15
	Meet the stewardship threshold for two or three additional resource concern categories on one land use.	5
	None of the above.	0
What percentage of the planned land units (PLU) acres within the operation has a new activity been planned? Exclude acres where the only planned enhancement is E300EAP1.	100% of PLU acres	80
	75-99% of PLU acres	50
	25-74% of PLU acres	30
	Less than 25% of PLU acres	15
Will all planned activities be scheduled for adoption by the third year of contract?	YES	20
	NO	0

Detailed Assessments

Name	Type	Jurisdiction	Status
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