

**NRCS Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)
Drought Initiative
STATE SCREENING CRITERIA WORKSHEET - Fiscal Year 2016**
A Screening Worksheet must be completed for each eligible EQIP application.

Instructions:

This screening worksheet must be completed for each eligible producer applying for EQIP Drought assistance. Applications will be accepted on a continuous basis; however, application periods are established for purposes of evaluation, ranking, and funding decisions.

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

Detailed Screening Criteria Worksheet – Complete for each eligible EQIP Applicant

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| Applicant Name: | | County: | |
| Application No: | | Field Office: | |
| Evaluator Name: | | Date: | |

Priority Determination for ProTracts – Select One:

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| <p><u>High Priority Category:</u> Applicant and project(s) proposed for an EQIP contract, addressing livestock water on rangeland or pastureland or irrigation water conservation on cropland and is located in these counties Baker, Crook, Grant, Malheur, Union, Umatilla, and Wallowa.</p> | <p>High Priority Status in ProTracts</p> |
| <p><u>Medium Priority Category:</u> Applicant and project(s) proposed for an EQIP contract addressing, livestock water on rangeland or pastureland or irrigation water conservation on cropland and is located in these county Gilliam, Marion, Morrow, and Wheeler.</p> | <p>Medium Priority Status in ProTracts</p> |
| <p><u>Low Priority Category:</u> Applicant and project(s) proposed for an EQIP contract addressing, livestock water on rangeland or pastureland or irrigation water conservation on cropland and is not one of the high or medium priority counties.</p> | <p>Low Priority Status in ProTracts</p> |

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| D.C. Approval: | | Date Approved: | |
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