

**EQIP Approved Land Uses, Resource Concerns, Ranking Criteria,
and Conservation Practices to Support
Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP) Project for
Middle and Lower Neosho River Water Quality**

Approved Land Use

- Crop, Forest, Range, Pasture, Farmstead

Primary Resource Concerns

- Water Quality Degradation – Nutrients in Surface Waters
- Water Quality Degradation – Excessive Sediment in Surface Water
- Water Quality Degradation – Excessive Pathogens and Chemical from Manure, Bio-solids, or Compost Applications in Surface Water

Approved Conservation Practices

Core Conservation Practices	Code	Avoiding	Controlling	Trapping
Waste Storage Facility	313	X	X	
Animal Mortality Facility	316		X	
Compost Facility	317	X	X	
Conservation Crop Rotation	328	X		
Residue and Tillage Management, No Till/Strip Till/Direct Seed	329		X	X
Contour Buffer Strips	332			X
Cover Crop	340	X		X
Critical Area Planting	342		X	X
Residue and Tillage Management, Reduced Till	345		X	X
Water Well Testing	355	X		
Waste Treatment Lagoon	359		X	
Waste Facility Closure	360	X		
Anaerobic Digester	366		X	
Field Border	386		X	X
Riparian Forest Buffer	391			X
Filter Strip	393		X	X
Grade Stabilization Structure	410		X	X
Grassed Waterway	412		X	
Access Control	472	X		
Prescribed Grazing	528	X		
Heavy Use Area Protection	561	X		
Trails and Walkways	575		X	
Nutrient Management	590	X		

Terrace	600		X	
Tree/Shrub Establishment	612	X		X
Waste Treatment	629		X	
Waste Transfer	634	X		
Vegetated Treatment Area	635			X
Water and Sediment Control Basin	638		X	X
Constructed Wetland	656			X

Supporting Conservation Practices	Code	Avoiding	Controlling	Trapping
Brush Management	314	X	X	
Herbaceous Weed Control	315	X		
Prescribed Burning	338	X		
Sediment Basin	350		X	
Dike	356		X	X
Diversion	362		X	
Roofs and Covers	367	X	X	
Pond	378			X
Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment	380		X	X
Fence	382	X		
Lined Waterway or Outlet	468		X	
Mulching	484		X	X
Forage Harvest Management	511	X	X	
Forage and Biomass Planting	512	X		X
Livestock Pipeline	516	X	X	
Pumping Plant	533	X		
Range Planting	550			X
Roof Runoff Structure	558	X		
Access Road	560	X		
Spring Development	574	X		
Stream Crossing	578	X		
Structure for Water Control	587		X	X
Watering Facility	614	X		
Underground Outlet	620		X	
Waste Separation Facility	632		X	
Water Well	642	X		
Wetland Restoration	657		X	
Wetland Creation	658		X	
Wetland Enhancement	659		X	

National Ranking Questions

See Kansas Bulletin KS300-17-8

State Ranking Questions

1. Does the application include core conservation practices (CPs) that will be implemented within one-quarter mile of a stream or water body that is threatened (i.e., receives significant runoff of excess nitrogen and/or phosphorous), on the EPA 303(d) list, or is impaired with a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) in place and therefore not on the 303(d) list? (100 Points)
2. Is greater than 75 percent of the offered acres within a focused watershed AND greater than 75 percent of the offered acres have a core CPs planned for application? (125 points)
3. Are core CPs planned within an existing state agency or other non-U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) water quality project area addressing the same resource concern? (75 Points)
4. Does this program application include the implementation of a system of CPs which address the project's primary resource concerns? (50 Points)
5. Are core CPs to be implemented on offered acres with a majority of soil types that are classified hydrologic group D (high runoff) or group A (high infiltration)? (50 Points)

Local Ranking Questions

1. Does the application include at least one practice with a lifespan of 10 years or greater, as documented in the electronic Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG)? (50 Points)
2. Are CPs are scheduled to be completed within four years? (50 Points)
3. Does this program application include CPs 328, 329, and 340 on all of the cropped acres? (50 Points)
4. Answer ONE of the following question regarding Conservation Systems Approach:
 - a. Does this program application include CPs that cumulatively include all three concepts of avoiding, controlling, and trapping? (100 Points)
 - b. Does this program application include CPs that cumulatively include 2 of the three concepts of avoiding, controlling, and trapping? (50 Points)