

WA NRCS Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)

**East WA Future Directions- Salmon Recovery Funding
SCREENING TOOL WORKSHEET - Fiscal Year 2018**

This screening tool is required for all Future Directions Funding applications.

Instructions: Applications will be accepted on a continuous basis; however, “cut-off” dates are established for purposes of ranking and funding allocation.

The goal of this screening tool is to streamline workload and to ensure that conservation technical assistance and EQIP program benefits are efficiently allocated to address priority salmon recovery needs. Completion of this worksheet and documentation does not constitute agreement to provide EQIP program benefits nor approval of an EQIP contract. This original screening worksheet must be filed in the applicant case file and the screening priority (High, Medium, or Low) shall be recorded in ProTracts. Upon request, a copy of any completed screening worksheet will be provided to the applicant.

Applicant Name:	Fund Code: East FDF
Application Number:	Field Office:
Evaluator Name:	Date:

Resource Concern(s): _____

Landuse(s): _____

PREVIOUS CONTRACT HISTORY---Check Protracts

Existing Contracts: Yes__ No__

- Any previous contracts terminated for cause?: Yes__ No__ If Yes, application screens LOW
- Any uncertified practices (scheduled for 2016 or prior) or participant has an active CPA153 on existing contracts, but excludes delays due to NRCS or are outside of the control of the participant? Yes__ No__ If Yes, application screens LOW

ALIGNMENT WITH FUTURE DIRECTIONS PRIORITIES

(HIGH) To screen High, project must have one or more selected from this category, obtain Partner signature, AND will accomplish one or more of the following activities listed in the MEDIUM priority category on page two:

This project to be implemented with assistance of a Partner agency or organization. By signing this document, the Partner is stating that they will complete or assist NRCS and the applicant with one or more of the following activities:

- Planning with development of alternatives**
- Engineering design (licensed PE)**
- Permit acquisition**

Partnership Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name of Partner: _____

(MEDIUM) Type of habitat project improvement: Application will accomplish one or more of the following activities to improve habitat for anadromous salmon, steelhead, lamprey, or bull trout:

- Correct fish passage barrier(s)**
- Improve instream flow**
- Restore/enhance riparian areas**

- Enhance instream habitat**
- Install fish screen(s)**

(LOW) Application is outside criteria above or will improve habitat for resident fish only.

The application priority equals the lowest applicable checked box. After entering this screening priority in ProTracts, you may proceed with ranking the HIGH and MEDIUM priority applications in the AERT (Protracts Ranking tool). LOW priority applications should not be ranked and will be deferred at the end of the FY.

DC Approval:

Date: