

Natural Resources Conservation Service

**Application Ranking Summary**  
**Wind River Res - Cropland - Flood**

<b>Program:</b>	<b>Ranking Date:</b>	<b>Application Number:</b>
<b>Ranking Tool:</b> Wind River Res - Cropland - Flood	<b>Applicant:</b>	
<b>Final Ranking Score:</b>	<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Planner:</b>	<b>Telephone:</b>	
<b>Farm Location:</b>		

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<b>Water Quality Degradation – Will the proposed project improve water quality by: (select all that apply)</b>	
2. a. Implementing the practices in a Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan (CNMP)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. b. Implementing the practices in a Nutrient Management Plan (NMP)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. c. Reducing impacts from sediment, nutrients, salinity, or pesticides on land adjoining a designated “impaired water body” (TMDL, 303d listed waterbody, or other State designation)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
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<b>Water Conservation – Will the proposed project conserve water by: (select all that apply)</b>	
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<b>Soil Health:– Will the proposed project improve soil health by: (select all that apply)</b>	
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2. a). Field(s) directly borders a surface water body listed on the 303(d) list as impaired or threatened for the pollutant cause "E-Coli" , "Fecal Coliform" , "Sediment" , "Phosphate" , or "Selenium" when the Source(s) is "Unknown" , "Irrigated Crop Production" or "Non-Point Source" .	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. b). Field(s) directly borders a ditch, canal or tributary that flows directly into a surface water body listed on the 303(d) list as impaired or threatened for the pollutant cause "E-Coli" , "Fecal Coliform" , "Sediment" , "Phosphate" , or "Selenium" when the Source(s) is "Unknown" , "Irrigated Crop Production" or "Non-Point Source" . Guidance: If the application directly borders the impaired stream, but the impaired section is below the property, award points for one or more contracted practices that address the water quality concern.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
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3. Will the proposed project result in the implementation of practices that address soil health principals (Cover soil, minimize disturbance, plant diversity, living roots, livestock integration) (cover crop, residue management, prescribed grazing, etc.?)	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
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<b>Healthy Plants and Wildlife:</b>	
5. Will the proposed project result in the implementation of practices for the management of noxious and invasive species ONLY on “non-cropland” acreage? (One of the following practices must be contracted to take points: Brush Management (314) and/or Herbaceous Weed Treatment (315)). Guidance: Required documentation that noxious or invasive species are present and will be eradicated or controlled by the practice.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Insufficient water – inefficient use of irrigation water resource concern:</b>	
6. Will the proposed project result in the implementation of practices that will improve the efficiency of an existing irrigation system and/or result in the implementation of practices that will improve irrigation water management? (IWM must be contracted for points). Guidance: The contract must include Irrigation Water Management (449). Additional practices include one or more of the following conservation practices: Irrigation System - Microirrigation (441), Irrigation System – Surface and Subsurface (443), Sprinkler System (442), and/or Residue and Tillage Management – No Till (329).	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
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7. EQIP Schedule of Operations includes implementation of practices AND management that solve livestock resource concerns on a livestock operation? Guidance: Award points for contracted practices and contacted management that treat a livestock resource concern.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
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<b>Irrigation Efficiency:</b> Answer YES to ONE of the following question: If the contracted practice(s) result in improved irrigation efficiency, select one of the following percentage water saved as determined by the FIRI tool. NOTE: Improved management or system factors that are claimed in the "Planned Condition" must be supported by contracted practices (e.g. IWM, SCI, land leveling)	
3. a). 1-10%	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. b). 10-14%	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. c). 15-19%	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

3. d). >20%	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Salt Affected Soils</b>	
4. Will the contracted practice(s) (442- Sprinkler System, 449- Irrigation Water Management, 430- Irrigation Pipeline, 606- Subsurface Drain) result in elimination or minimization of concentrations of salts in specific problem areas identifiable on the latest ortho-imagery or on-the-ground visual assessment? (Yes or No)	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Percent of System Improved. Answer YES to ONE of the following questions: Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in the installation of gated pipe system where the system treats:</b>	
5. a). 100% of the field	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. b). 75% to 99% of the field	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. c). 50% - 75% of the field	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. d). Less than 50% of the field	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Fish Passage: Fish Passage and Screening (Select all that apply):</b>	
6. a). Will the contracted practice(s) result in the removal of barriers for fish movement up and down stream?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. b). Will the contract practice(s) result in the irrigation water control structure(s) that are modified, replaced or new installations to screen fish out of the irrigation system and allow them back into a viable habitat where the benchmark condition did not?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

**Land Use:**

Resource Concerns	Practices
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**Ranking Score**

Efficiency:  Local Issues:  State Issues:  National Issues:  <b>Final Ranking Score:</b>
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This ranking report is for your information. It does not in any way guarantee funding. When funding becomes available, you will be notified if your application is selected for funding. Some changes to the application may be required before a final contract is awarded.

Notes:

<b>NRCS Representative:</b>   <b>Signature Date:</b>	<b>Applicant Signature Not Required on this report for Contract Development unless required by State policy:</b>   <b>Signature Date:</b>
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3. b). Between 19 - 29%	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. c). Between 30 - 39%	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

3. d). Between 40 - 48%	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. e). 49% or greater	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
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<b>Energy: Will the planned irrigation system result in energy savings by going from a pump system to a gravity or gravity assist with pump size reduced from original pump size (must know HP or existing pump and planned pump to determine % change or new 100% gravity system)?</b>	
6. a). Pump size will be reduced by less than 50%?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. b). Pump size will be reduced by 50% to 99%?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. c). Pumping requirement will be removed by going to a 100% gravity system or new gravity system?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Answer YES to ONE of the following question: Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in the installation of a sprinkler system where the center pivot travels</b>	
7. a). 360 degree full revolution	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
7. b). 270 - 359 degree partial revolution	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
7. c). 145 - 269 degree partial revolution	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
7. d). 144 - 90 degree partial revolution	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
7. e). Less than 90 degree revolution	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

**Land Use:**

Resource Concerns	Practices
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**Ranking Score**

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Natural Resources Conservation Service

Application Ranking Summary

Wind River Res - Grazingland

<b>Program:</b>	<b>Ranking Date:</b>	<b>Application Number:</b>
<b>Ranking Tool:</b> Wind River Res - Grazingland		<b>Applicant:</b>
<b>Final Ranking Score:</b>		<b>Address:</b>
<b>Planner:</b>	<b>Telephone:</b>	
<b>Farm Location:</b>		

National Priorities Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
If the application is for development of a Conservation Activity Plan (CAP), the agency will assign significant ranking priority and conservation benefit by answering “Yes” to the following question. Answering “Yes” to question 1a will result in the application being awarded the maximum amount of points that can be earned for the national priority category.	
1. a. Is the program application to support the development of a Conservation Activity Plan (CAP)? If answer is “Yes”, do not answer any other national level questions. If answer is “No”, proceed with evaluation to address the remaining questions in this section.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Water Quality Degradation – Will the proposed project improve water quality by: (select all that apply)</b>	
2. a. Implementing the practices in a Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan (CNMP)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. b. Implementing the practices in a Nutrient Management Plan (NMP)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. c. Reducing impacts from sediment, nutrients, salinity, or pesticides on land adjoining a designated “impaired water body” (TMDL, 303d listed waterbody, or other State designation)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. d. Reducing the impacts from sediment, nutrients, salinity, or pesticides in a “non-impaired water body”?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. e. Implementing practices that improve water quality through animal mortality and carcass management?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Water Conservation – Will the proposed project conserve water by: (select all that apply)</b>	
3. a. Implementing irrigation practices that reduce aquifer overdraft.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. b. Implementing irrigation practices that reduce on-farm water use?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. c. Implementing practices in an area where the applicant participates in a geographically established or watershed-wide project?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. d. Implementing practices that reduce on-farm water use as a result of changing to crops with lower water consumptive use, the rotation of crops, or the modification of cultural operations?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Air Quality - Will the proposed project improve air quality by: (select all that apply)</b>	
4. a. Meeting on-farm regulatory requirements relating to air quality or proactively avoid the need for regulatory measures?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. b. Implementing practices that reduce on-farm emissions of particulate matter (PM2.5, PM10)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. c. Implementing practices that reduce on-farm generated greenhouse gases such as carbon dioxide (CO2), methane (CH4), and nitrous oxide (N2O)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. d. Implementing practices that increase on-farm carbon sequestration?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Soil Health:– Will the proposed project improve soil health by: (select all that apply)</b>	
5. a. Reduce erosion to tolerable limits (Soil “T”)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. b. Increasing organic matter and carbon content, and improving soil tilth and structure?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Wildlife Habitat – Will the proposed project improve wildlife habitat by: (select all that apply)</b>	
6. a. Implementing practices benefitting threatened and endangered, at-risk, candidate, or species of concern.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. b. Implementing practices that retain wildlife and plant habitat on land exiting the Conservation	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

Reserve Program (CRP) or other set-aside program?	
6. c. Implementing practices benefitting honey bee populations or other pollinators?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. d. Implementing land-based practices that improve habitat for aquatic wildlife?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Plant and Animal Communities: Will the proposed project improve plant and animal communities by: (select all that apply)	
7. a. Implementing practices that result in the management control of noxious or invasive plant species on non-cropland?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
7. b. Implementing practice in an Integrated Pest Management Plan (IPM)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Energy Conservation– Will the proposed project reduce energy use by: (select all that apply)	
8. a. Reducing on-farm energy consumption?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
8. b. Implementing practice(s) identified in an approved AgEMP or energy audit, which meet ASABE S612 criteria?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Business Lines – Will the practices to be scheduled in the “EQIP Plan of Operations” result in:	
9. a. Enhancement of existing conservation practice(s) or conservation systems already in place at the time the application is received?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

### State Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
If the application is for development of a Conservation Activity Plan (CAP), the agency will assign significant ranking priority and conservation benefit by answering "Yes" to the following question. Answering "Yes" to question 1a will result in the application being awarded the maximum amount of points that can be earned for the state priority category	
1. a). Is the program application for development of a Conservation Activity Plan (CAP)? If answer is "Yes", do not answer any other state level questions. If answer is "No", proceed with evaluation to address the remaining questions in this section.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Water Quality: If the contracted practice(s) result in elimination or minimization of the potential for contaminants entering water bodies, SELECT ONE of the following based on proximity to the specific water bodies. Guidance: Refer to the DEQ Shape File located at f:\geodata\hydrography and the "Wyoming Water Quality Assessment and Impaired Waters List (2012 Integrated 305(d) and 303(d) Report) Table 9.4 for the list of pollutant causes and sources". Award points for one or more contracted practices that will eliminate or minimize the potential for the listed water quality impairments (E.coli, sediment, etc.) from entering water bodies. The contracted practices must address the resource concern; if additional practices are needed to address the resource concern, they must be contracted to award the points.	
2. a). Field(s) directly borders a surface water body listed on the 303(d) list as impaired or threatened for the pollutant cause "E-Coli" , "Fecal Coliform" , "Sediment" , "Phosphate" , or "Selenium" when the Source(s) is "Unknown" , "Irrigated Crop Production" or "Non-Point Source" .	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. b). Field(s) directly borders a ditch, canal or tributary that flows directly into a surface water body listed on the 303(d) list as impaired or threatened for the pollutant cause "E-Coli" , "Fecal Coliform" , "Sediment" , "Phosphate" , or "Selenium" when the Source(s) is "Unknown" , "Irrigated Crop Production" or "Non-Point Source" . Guidance: If the application directly borders the impaired stream, but the impaired section is below the property, award points for one or more contracted practices that address the water quality concern.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. c). Field(s) directly borders a solid blue line stream as marked on a USGS topographic 7.5-minute, 1:24,000-scale quadrangle series map.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. d). Field(s) directly borders a ditch, canal or tributary that flows into a solid blue line stream as marked on a USGS topographic 7.5-minute, 1:24,000-scale quadrangle series map.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Soil Health:	
3. Will the proposed project result in the implementation of practices (cover crop, residue management, prescribed grazing, etc.) that address soil health principals (Cover soil, minimize disturbance, plant diversity, living roots, livestock integration)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Soil Erosion:	
4. Will the proposed project result in the implementation of practices that will result in the long term reduction of soil erosion in stream corridors or riparian areas? Guidance: Award points for one or more	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

of the following contracted practices: Riparian Herbaceous Cover (390), Riparian Forest Buffer (391), Filter Strip (393), Access Control (472), Livestock Shelter Structure (576), Channel Stabilization (584), and/or Streambank and Shoreline Protection (580).	
<b>Healthy Plants and Wildlife:</b>	
5. Will the proposed project result in the implementation of practices for the management of noxious and invasive species ONLY on “non-cropland” acreage? (One of the following practices must be contracted to take points: Brush Management (314) and/or Herbaceous Weed Treatment (315)). Guidance: Required documentation that noxious or invasive species are present and will be eradicated or controlled by the practice.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Insufficient water – inefficient use of irrigation water resource concern:</b>	
6. Will the proposed project result in the implementation of practices that will improve the efficiency of an existing irrigation system and/or result in the implementation of practices that will improve irrigation water management? Guidance: The contract must include Irrigation Water Management (449). Additional practices include one or more of the following conservation practices: Irrigation System - Microirrigation (441), Irrigation System – Surface and Subsurface (443), Sprinkler System (442), and/or Residue and Tillage Management – No Till (329).	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Livestock Resource Concerns:</b>	
7. EQIP Schedule of Operations includes implementation of practices AND management that solve livestock resource concerns on a livestock operation? Guidance: Award points for contracted practices and contacted management that treat a livestock resource concern.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Soil Erosion-Crop Land Resource Concerns:</b>	
8. Will the proposed project result in the implementation of practices that will limit sheet, rill and/or wind erosion losses to Tolerable levels if currently above T; or reduce erosion by 50% if already at T, as determined by RUSLE2, WEPS, or IET. Guidance: Award points for one or more of the following contracted practices that will reduce erosion to tolerable levels: Conservation Crop Rotation (328), Cover Crop (340), Forage and Biomass Planting (512), Integrated Pest Management (595), Nutrient Management (590), and/or Residue and Tillage Management – No Till (329).	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Forest Resource Concerns:</b>	
9. Will the application implement practices (666- Forest Stand Improvement, 315- Brush Management, 384- Woody Residue Management) that will solve resource concerns associated with forestry?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

### Local Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
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1. a). Is the application for the development of a TSP prepared Conservation Activity Plan (CAP)? If the answer is "Yes", do not answer any other Local level questions. If the answer is "No", proceed with evaluation to address the remaining questions in this section.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Will the proposed project result in the implementation of practices that address soil health principals (Cover soil, minimize disturbance, plant diversity, living roots, livestock integration) (cover crop, residue management, prescribed grazing, etc.?) SELECT ONE.	
2. a). Will one soil health related practice be contracted?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. b). Will two soil health related practices be contracted?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. c). Will three or more soil health related practices be contracted?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Renewable Energy</b>	
3. a). Will the plan include the installation of a solar pumping plant to replace an electric pump or generator? ? (Yes or No)	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Brush Management</b>	
4. a). Will the proposed project apply brush management to treat woody species?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Prescribed Grazing:</b> By the end of the contract period, will there be additional pastures created by cross-fencing and/or water development, and will the creation of the additional pastures/use areas facilitate a documented	

change in the grazing system (528 Must be Contracted)? Select only one.	
5. a). 5 or more additional pastures/use areas created by cross-fencing?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. b). 4 additional pastures/use areas created by cross-fencing?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. c). 3 additional pastures/use areas created by cross-fencing?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. d). 2 additional pastures/use areas created by cross-fencing?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. e). 1 additional pastures/use areas created by cross-fencing?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Will riparian resources be protected through the application of planned practices and management? (528 must be contracted unless the practice is for riparian exclusion?)	
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Existing Water Sources	
7. Will the schedule of operations include practice(s) that address LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION LIMITATION: Pasture(s) is presently only watered with natural and/or seasonal water sources (Streams, Rivers, Reservoirs, Ponds, and Pits)? Guidance: Inventory water sources and include location and labels on Plan Map.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Grazing Rotation - Recovery Time (Note: Recovery time during growing season dependent on the location and must be defined by your NRCS Area or State Range Specialist. Calculations are the length of the grazing season for the contracted acres, divided by the number of days generally in a pasture, = the percent use, 100-% use to get %rest. 120 day growing season, in pastures 95 days on general, = $95/120 = .75$ , $1-.75 = 25\%$ recovery time. ) (Answer only one) (528 must be Contracted)	
8. a). Is plant recovery time in the contracted prescribed grazing system $>75\%$ ? OR	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
8. b). Is plant recovery time in the contracted prescribed grazing system 25-75%? OR	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
8. c). Is plant recovery time in the contracted prescribed grazing system $<25\%$ ?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Wildlife Friendly water sources	
9. By the end of the contract, will contracted acres have wildlife escape ramps in 100% of existing tanks?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Forestry Resource Concerns	
10. Will the application implement practices (666-Forest Stand Improvement, 314- Brush Management, 384- Woody Residue Management) that will solve resource concerns associated with forestry?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Wildlife Friendly Fencing	
11. Will the proposed project address wildlife migration corridors by retrofitting, modifying, or replacing existing wildlife unfriendly fences (649-Structure for Wildlife will be a contracted item)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

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