

Oregon State Ranking Criteria for the Environmental Quality Incentives Program

	Issue Questions	Responses
1	Clean and Abundant Water: Water Quality - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
1.1	Develop a CAFO or AFO using EQIP funds?	10 Point(s)
1.2	Reduce the risk of sediment, nutrients, or pesticide runoff on croplands, grazing lands or forestlands that are adjacent to a T&E species at risk bearing stream or water body?	20 Point(s)
1.3	Reduce ground water contamination to shallow aquifers?	20 Point(s)
2	Clean and Abundant Water: Water Conservation - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
2.1	Result in a dedicated in-stream water lease of the producer's water rights or conserved water from the implementation of conservation measures in the contract?	10 Point(s)
2.2	Will the conservation treatment result in at least 5 inches/acre AND improve irrigation efficiencies by greater than 20%?	10 Point(s)
3	Clean air: Treatment of Air Quality from Agricultural Sources - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
3.1	Reduce air emissions in an identified nonattainment, former nonattainment, or maintenance area?	30 Point(s)
4	High Quality, Productive Soils - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
4.1	Use cover crops, add perennial crops to a rotation OR other conservation practices that will reduce soil erosion and/or improve soil health?	20 Point(s)
5	Healthy Plant and Animal Communities - Wildlife Habitat Conservation - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
5.1	Enhance at least one of the Strategy Habitats identified in the ODFW Oregon Conservation Strategy?	10 Point(s)
6	High Quality, Productive Soils, Healthy Plant and Animal Communities - Special Environmental Efforts/Initiatives - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
6.1	Improve plant health and/or vigor of range or pasture lands?	20 Point(s)
6.2	Install practices that include planting at least 3 different flowering species of forbs, legumes, shrubs or trees?	20 Point(s)
6.3	Improve forest health by reducing the risk of insect/disease infestation or fire hazard on forest lands?	20 Point(s)
7	Energy Conservation and Sustainable Production Energy Conservation - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
7.1	Install conservation practices that result in the usage of high efficiency or alternative energy sources?	10 Point(s)