



**Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)
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A Screening Worksheet must be completed for each eligible EQIP application.

Applicant Name:	Date:
Evaluator Name:	Application Number: 74054619
Fund Pool: FY19 BBT	Sign-Up Number:

EQIP is a competitive financial assistance program and applications are screened and ranking based on the expected conservation benefits of planned practices in the EQIP schedule of operations. This screening worksheet must be completed for each eligible applicant applying for financial assistance. Applications are accepted on a continuous basis; however, application cutoff periods are established for purposes of ranking and funding decisions. A screening worksheet can be processed for each application cutoff period. The goal of this screening tool is to ensure that conservation technical assistance and EQIP program benefits are managed efficiently to address priority conservation needs. Completion of this worksheet and documentation does not constitute an 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. Rank only the High screened applications.

<p>If Yes, Low Priority status in ProTracts.</p> <p>If No, continue to priority-based screening factors.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In the last 3 EQIP program fiscal years, the applicant had a NRCS contract cancelled and the status of the cancellation hardship is not documented as being resolved or NRCS contract was terminated – or, Applicant has a current contract not on schedule – or, Applicant has received NRCS-CPA-153 on an active contract - or, Applicant does not have a priority resource concern or LWG priority resource concern.
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<p>If Yes, Medium Priority status in ProTracts.</p> <p>If No, continue to the next question.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicant has a LWG-prioritized resource concern but does not screen as High Priority.
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<p>If Yes, High Priority status in ProTracts.</p>	<p>Application treats one of the following priority resource concerns and to the level described (circle the one the Schedule of Operations will address):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Soil Erosion, Sheet, Rill, and Wind: Is proposed treatment unit eroding above T or have a negative SCI- or, not meeting applicable planning criteria (eg. Soil Quality) – or, are there visible signs of soil erosion? <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Water, Inefficient Use of Irrigation Water: Is the proposed land unit's irrigation system currently operating below 50% efficiency? (refer to WA Irrigation Guide table WA 6-2 Part 652 Chapter 6) <input type="checkbox"/> Water Quality Degradation, Excessive Sediment in Surface Waters: Is proposed treatment unit eroding above T or have a negative SCI – or, are there visible sign of soil erosion, - AND is the current irrigation system operating below 50% efficiency? (refer to WA Irrigation Guide table WA 6-2 Part 652 Chapter 6) <input type="checkbox"/> Degraded Plant Condition- Undesirable Plant Productivity and Health (Forest): Is proposed treatment unit overstocked (crown spacing <10ft) or are damaging agents present (disease, insects, etc.) - and/or, contain greater than or equal to 10% slopes and within 1 mile to homes? <input type="checkbox"/> Degraded Plant Condition- Undesirable Plant Productivity and Health (Range/Pasture): Is proposed treatment unit lacking livestock distribution? – and, will applicant implement prescribed grazing? If application is treating Insufficient Water, Inefficient Use of Irrigation Water screen LOW.
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	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Water Quality Degradation, Pesticides Transported to Surface and Ground Waters: Is proposed treatment unit eroding above T or have a negative SCI – or, are there visible signs of soil erosion, - AND is the current irrigation system operating below 50% efficiency? (refer to WA Irrigation Guide table 6-2 Part 652 Chapter 6)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Application Screening Priority:</p>	
District Conservationist Approval Signature:	
Date Approved:	