

CONNECTICUT NRCS
 FY 2020 RANKING POOL
 EQIP: Wildlife 10%

Land Use
Crop
Forest
Pasture
Farmstead
Associated
Ag land

Ranking Weights	
Factors	Weight in Ranking Pool
Vulnerability	30%
Planned Practice Effects	20%
Resource Priorities	20%
Program Priorities	20%
Efficiencies	10%

Practices
All CT FY20 EQIP Practices

Resource Concerns Categories and Weighted Vulnerability Consideration	
Resource Concern Category	%
Air quality emissions	2
Aquatic habitat	25
Concentrated erosion	2
Degraded plant condition	2
Field pesticide loss	10
Field sediment, nutrient and pathogen loss	5
Inefficient energy use	2
Livestock production limitation	5
Pest pressure	2
Soil quality limitations	2
Source water depletion	2
Storage and handling of pollutants	2
Terrestrial habitat	35
Weather resilience	2
Wind and water erosion	2

100

SURVEY QUESTIONS

Question Type	Section	Question Text	Choices	Points	Total Possible Points	Condition	Land Uses
Applicability	n/a	Is the majority of the land to be enrolled in Connecticut?	Yes No	N/A	N/A		All
Category	n/a	Are the PLUs cropland, pasture, forest, farmstead or associated ag land?	Yes No	N/A	N/A		All
Program Questions	n/a	Is the applicant currently in compliance with all existing contracts or will this be the first contract for the applicant?	Yes No - participant has current CPA-153	50 -50	50		All
	n/a	Has the applicant had any contract terminations within their control?	Yes No - no terminations for cause N/A -- no prior contracts	-50 25 0	25		
	n/a	Is the applicant following all Operation and Maintenance for all practices that are still within their lifespan on any existing contract?	Yes No N/A --1st contract, or all practices are beyond their lifespan	25 -25 0	25		All
	n/a	Will the application address Wildlife Habitat by implementing Core wildlife practices?	Yes No	50 0	50		All
	n/a	Will other Federal, State or Local financial resources be leveraged to assist with the implementation of this project?	Yes No	50 0	50		All
	n/a	Is this application located in a Source Water Protection Area	Yes No	NA 0	0		All
TOTAL POSSIBLE PROGRAM POINTS (20% of Total Score)					200		
Resource Questions	All Land Uses	Will the practices in this contract directly benefit threatened or endangered species according to results obtained from the CT-DEEP Natural Diversity Database?	Yes No	40 0	40		All
	All Land Uses	Does the Schedule of Operations include planting practices that will add native wildlife beneficial plant species?	Yes No	20 0	20		All
	All Land Uses	Is this application located in a Source Water Protection Area and does the schedule of operations contain practices that address Water Quality or Water Quantity?	Yes No N/A - land is not in SWP area	25 0 0	25	program question re. Source Water	All

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Resource Questions	All Land Uses	Will the practices in the Schedule of Operations include replacement or removal of culverts, stone fords, or other in-stream structures with bridges, open-bottom culverts spanning bankfull width, or other designs using 396, Aquatic Organism Passage to promote fisheries and wildlife passage?	Yes No	25 0	25		All
	All Land Uses	Does the Schedule of Operations include structures for wildlife such as brush piles, nest boxes and/or bat boxes?	Yes No	20 0	20		All
	All Land Uses	Will the implementation of the the planned practices provide a direct connection for the targeted wildlife between two known populations?	Yes No	20 0	20		All
	All Land Uses	Will the implementation of the the planned practices provide habitat or enhance habitat for the full range of of habitat needs for the lifecycle of the targeted wildlife?	Yes No	25 0	25		All
	All Land Uses	Will the planned practices benefit both terrestrial wildlife as well as aquatic wildlife?	Yes No	25 0	25		All
TOTAL					200		