

**Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP/EQIP)  
Native Grazing Lands Protection in the Plains**

**Approved Land Use**

Range

**Primary Resource Concerns**

Degraded plant condition, Plant productivity and health  
Degraded plant condition, Plant structure and composition  
Pest pressure, Plant pest pressure  
Terrestrial habitat, Terrestrial habitat for wildlife and invertebrates

**Area of Applicability**

All planned land units intersect the Native Grazing Lands Protection Area (GIS answered)

**Category (Applications compete by category)**

All planned land units intersect the Native Grazing Lands Protection Area (GIS answered)

**Eligible Conservation Practice**

112 Prescribed Burning Plan  
314 Brush Management  
315 Herbaceous Weed Control  
338 Prescribed Burning  
384 Woody Residue Treatment  
394 Firebreak  
472 Access Control  
528 Prescribed Grazing

**Ranking Component Weights**

Vulnerabilities (from CART) – 40%  
Planned Practice Effects (from CART) – 20%  
Program Questions – 15%  
Resource Questions – 15%  
Efficiencies – 10%

**Program Ranking Questions**

Select one of the following responses regarding The Nature Conservancy (TNC) Project Priority Area (GIS answered)

- PLU is located in TNC Priority Area 1. (100 Points)
- PLU is located in TNC Priority Area 2. (50 points)
- PLU is located in TNC Priority Area 3. (25 points)
- Otherwise. (0 points)

### **Resource Ranking Questions**

Select ONE of the following related to planned treatments for Eastern Red Cedar infestations

- Majority of the application will treat an infestation  $\geq$  to 5 percent but  $\leq$  15 percent canopy cover. (50 points)
- Majority of the application will treat an infestation with  $>$  15 percent canopy cover. (25 points)
- Otherwise. (0 points)

Select ONE of the following related to planned treatments for Sericea Lespedeza or Old World Bluestem Infestation,

- Majority of the application will treat an infestation  $\leq$  10 percent. (50 points)
- Majority of the application will treat an infestation with  $>$  10 percent and  $\leq$  20 percent. (25 points)
- Majority of the application will treat an infestation with  $>$  20 percent. (5 points)
- Otherwise. (0 points)