

**New Mexico - (Albuquerque Field Office)**  
**FY 2003 Ranking Criteria Worksheet - Grazing Lands**

Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Farm No. \_\_\_\_\_ Tract No. \_\_\_\_\_ CMS Field No's. \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tribal Land \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Tribal Land \_\_\_\_\_ Preliminary Rating \_\_ Final Rating \_\_

**1. Plants - 80 Potential Points (40% of Total)**

Note: Instructions on separate sheet		% Area in Contract Before Treatment	% Area in Contract After Treatment.	Potential Points	Points - Bench Mark	Points - After
<b>Rangelands:</b>	SI of 76-1 00 w/trend up or not apparent	%	+ + =	%	80	
Ecological	SI of 51-75 with upward trend	%	+ + =	%	50	
Site	SI of 51-75 with downward trend	%	+ + =	%	40	
Similarity	SI of 26-50 with upward trend	%	+ + =	%	40	
Index	SI of 26-50 with downward trend	%	+ + =	%	20	
(SI)*	SI of 0-25 with upward trend	%	+ + =	%	10	
	SI of 0-25 with downward trend	%	+ + =	%	0	
<b>Riparian</b>	Use Attachment 1, 2, or 3	% Quality Bench Mark:	% Quality After:	%	80	
<b>Grazed Forest:</b>	Use Attachment 4	% Quality Bench Mark:	% Quality After:	%	NA	
<b>1. Plants</b>		Total	100%	Total	100%	<b>Total:</b>

**2. Conservation Practice(s) Selection - 100 Potential Points (50% of Total)**

Any practice used in the ranking criteria and intended to be included in the EQIP Contract must be a cost-shared practice or have an incentive payment. Higher priority (value) should be given to those practices which address multiple resource concerns, are cost effective, and have longer life spans.		Potential Points	Percent of Need to be Installed	Points - After
<b>Sample Practices that affect Soil, Water, Air, Plants, &amp; Animals:</b>				
	Fencing (382)	20		
	Streambank Protection (580), Grade Stabilization Structure (410) or Diversion (362) (For erosion control purposes, 20 pts. Per structure)	20		
	Critical Area Planting (342)	20		
	Range Planting (550)	10		
	Livestock Pipeline (516)	20		
	Trough or Tank (614)	10		
	Well (642)	20		
	Brush Management (314) (Chemical or Mechanical)	20		
	Wildlife Watering Facility (648)	10		
	Spring Development (574)	10		
<b>Additional Practices that address other resource concerns:</b>				
	Pest Management (595), Riparian Forest Buffer (392), Tree and Shrub Establishment (612) (5 points each, not to exceed 10 points total)	10		
<b>2. Conservation Practice Selection</b>		<b>Total:</b>		

