

**NRCS-New Mexico - MORA Field Office)**

**FY 2003 Ranking Criteria Worksheet - Woodlands**

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

**Category 1. Conservation Practice(s) Selection - 115 Potential Points**

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 Range Of Points	Percent of Need to be Installed	Points After
The following practices may be used to address soil, water, plant and animal resource concerns.			
Critical Area Planting - 342	5		
Diversion - 362	5		
Firebreak - 394	5		
Forest Site Preparation - 490	5		
Forest Stand Improvement (666) Heavy Density	50		
Forest Stand Improvement (666) Medium Density	40		
Forest Stand Improvement (666) Light Density	30		
Grade Stabilization Structure - 410	5		
Streambank and Shoreline Stabilization - 580	5		
Pest Management - 595	10		
Wildlife Watering Facility - 648	5		
Riparian Forest Buffer - 391	5		
Up to five other applicable practices (392,642,612,636,650) - 3 Pts ea	0 - 15		
<b>2. Conservation Practice Selection</b>	<b>Total:</b>	<b>N/A</b>	

**Category 2. Other Considerations - 20 Potential Points**

The following considerations will be evaluated to ensure other environmental impacts/benefits are adequately addressed.	Potential Points	Bench-mark	Points - After
A. At risk species are in the area and the contract will enhance habitat for the species.	5	0	
B. Treatment of this land could have a beneficial impact on a 303d listed stream segment	5	0	
C. Treatment of this land could enhance the benefits of an active or proposed section 319 project	5	0	
D. Proposed contracted area will be treated to eradicate and /or prevent infestation of class A and/or Class B noxious weeds, as designated by NMDA.	5	0	
<b>2. Other Considerations</b>	<b>Total:</b>	<b>0</b>	

	<b>{Add Categories 1&amp;2} Total Ranking Score =</b>	
	<b>Maximum Allowable Points =</b>	<b>135</b>

Designated Conservationist: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_