

NM EQIP FY 2004 Ranking Criteria Worksheet - Grazing Lands - Taos F.O.

Applicant: _____ Farm No. _____ Tract No. _____ CMS Field No's. _____ Date: _____

Tribal Land _____ Non-Tribal Land _____ Preliminary Rating ____ Final Rating ____

1. Plants - 90 Potential Points

Note: Instructions on separate sheet		% Area in Contract Before Treatment	% Area in Contract After Treatment.	Potential Points	Bench-mark Points	After Points
Grazing Plan:	Intensive			30		
	Seasonal			15		
	Continuous			0		
Deferment Period:	>75% of Growing Season			30		
	51-75% of Growing Season			20		
	26-50% of Growing Season			10		
	0-25% of Growing Season			0		
Stocking Rate:	1 aum/>11 ac.			30		
	1 aum/9.0 -11.0 ac.			15		
	1 aum/6.5 - 8.9 ac.s			10		
	1 aum/<6.5 ac.			0		
1. Plants				Total:		

2. Conservation Practice(s) Selection - 240 Potential Points (25-65% of Total)

Any practice used in the ranking criteria and intended to be included in the conservation plan of operations 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. Select resource concerns from NM Quality Criteria Guide.	Potential Points	Percent of Need to be Installed	After Points
Soil Erosion (Erosion and Deposition)			
Grade Stabilization Structure (410)	20		
Sediment Basin (350)	10		
Critical Area Planting (343)	15		
Field Windbreak (392)	15		
Animals (Habitat and Management)			
Spring Development (547)	15		
Pond (378)	10		
Well (642) w/ Livestock Pipeline and Storage (516 & 614)	30		
Well (642)	5		
Troughs or Tank (614)	15		
Water Quality (Surface Water Contaminants)			
Diversions (362)	15		
Air (Dust)			
Farmstead Windbreak (380)	20		
Plants (Suitability, Condition and Management)			
Brush Control ((314)	20		
Prescribed Burning (338)	20		
Range Planting (550)	10		
Fences (328)	20		
2. Conservation Practice Selection			
Total:			

3. Other Considerations - 40 Potential Points (10-25% of Total)

Items A thru D are required. If there are other criteria the D.C. wants to recommend based on LWG advice, please include them as item(s) E and F.	Potential Points	Bench-mark Points	After Points

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A. At risk species habitat will be enhanced. (List the species impacted)	10	0	
B. Treatment of this land could have a beneficial impact on a 303d listed stream segment.	10	0	
C. Treatment of this land could enhance the benefits of an active or planned sec. 319 project.	10	0	
D. The land is within a NMED designated Category I watershed.	10	0	
3. Other Considerations			
		0	

Points Earned (After minus Benchmark) Sec. 1 _____ Sec. 2 _____ Sec. 3 _____ Total _____

Designated Conservationist

Date