

**New Mexico- Clovis Field Office
FY 2003 Ranking Criteria Worksheet - Dry Cropland**

Applicant: _____ Date: _____ Total Points: 0
 Farm No.: _____ Tract No.: _____ CMS Field No's.: _____

1. Natural Resources Criteria - 285 Potential Points (83%)

| A. Soil Erosion | Potential Points | Benchmark Points | After Points |
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| No Till | 40 | | |
| Grass Strips | 5 | | |
| Windbreaks | 5 | | |
| Field Borders | 5 | | |
| A. Soil Erosion | Total | 0 | |
| B. Water Erosion | Potential Points | Benchmark Points | After Points |
| Diversion | 40 | | |
| Terraces | 40 | | |
| Grassed Waterway | 40 | | |
| Rebuilds | 20 | | |
| B. Water Erosion | Total | 0 | |
| C. Plants: Diversity | Potential Points | Benchmark Points | After Points |
| Range Seeding | | | |
| 3 Species | 50 | | |
| 2 Species | 20 | | |
| 1 Species | 10 | | |
| C. Plants: Diversity | Total | 0 | |
| D. Animals: Wildlife Food, Cover, Water | Potential Points | Benchmark Points | After Points |
| Shrubs/Trees | 5 | | |
| Wildlife Water | 5 | | |
| D. Animals: Wildlife | Total | 0 | |

2. Other Considerations - 59 Potential Points (17%)

| | Potential Points | Benchmark Points | After Points |
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| A. At risk species are in the area and the contract will enhance habitat for the species. | 15 | | |
| B. Treatment of this land could have a beneficial impact on a 303d listed stream segment. | 15 | | |
| C. Treatment of this land could enhance the benefits of an active sec. 319 project. | 15 | | |
| D. This land is within a proposed sec. 319 project. | 14 | | |
| 2. Other Considerations | Total | 0 | |

Note: Cost-shared payments associated with the no-till are limited to a maximum of 480 acres for 3 consecutive years per producer regardless of county. Grazing of livestock is prohibited on no-till contract acres if producer agrees to the no-till incentive. Producers currently applying no-till, or who have previously received cost-share payments for this practice are not eligible. In the event of a tie, contracts will be awarded based on highest soil erodibility index. If applications are still tied, a random drawing will be conducted.

 Producer Date

 Designated Conservationist Date