

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

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

1. Plants - 60 Potential Points (30% of Total)

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 Rotation		20		
	Seasonal Use		10		
Deferment Period:	Continuous Use		0		
	> 75% of Growing Season		20		
	51-75% of Growing Season		10		
	26-50% of Growing Season		5		
Stocking Rate: Based on Loamy WP-2 SI 26-50	0-25% of Growing Season		0		
	> 11 Acres/ 1 AUM		20		
	9-11 Acres/ 1 AUM		10		
	6.5-8.9 Acres/ 1 AUM		5		
	<6.4 Acres/ 1 AUM		0		
1. Plants			Total:		

2. Conservation Practice(s) Selection - 105 Potential Points (52.5% 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)	25		
Grazing Land Mechanical Treatment (548)	5		
Grade Stabilization Structure (410)	5		
Range Planting (550)	5		
Brush Management (314)	5		
Fencing (382)	5		
Water Quantity	20		
Spring Development (547)	5		
Pond (378)	5		
Well (642)	5		
Livestock Pipeline and Storage (516 & 614)	5		
Water Quality (Surface Water Contaminants)	20		
Well (642)	5		
Livestock Pipeline and Storage (516 & 614)	5		
Pond (378)	5		
Fencing (382)	5		
Air (Dust)	5		
Range Planting (550)	5		
Plants (Suitability, Condition and Management)	15		
Range Planting (550)	5		
Fencing (382)	5		
Brush Management (314)	5		

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2. Conservation Practice(s) Selection - Continued

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Animals (Habitat and Management)	20		
Range Planting (550)	4		
Stream Habitat Improvement (395)	4		
Well (642)	4		
Livestock Pipeline and Storage (516 & 614)	4		
Wildlife Watering Facility (648)	4		
2. Conservation Practice Selection	Total:		

3. Other Considerations - 35 Potential Points (17.5% 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
A. At risk species habitat will be enhanced. (List the species impacted)	15	0	
B. Treatment of this land could have a beneficial impact on a 303d listed stream segment.	4	0	
C. Treatment of this land could enhance the benefits of an active or planned sec. 319 project.	4	0	
D. The land is within a NMED designated Category I watershed.	4	0	
E. 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.	4	0	
F. This land is involved with other conservation enhancement programs such as Partners for Wildlife, NMG&F, etc.	4	0	
3. Other Considerations	Total:		

"A minimum of 50 points of the total available points must be earned to be considered for ranking"

Total Points (After minus Benchmark): Section 1 _____ Section 2 _____ Section 3 _____ Total for Worksheet _____

Designated Conservationist

Date