

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Application Ranking Summary  
East Area - Wildlife

<b>Program:</b> EQIP 2008	<b>Ranking Date:</b>	<b>Application Number:</b>
<b>Ranking Tool:</b> East Area - Wildlife		<b>Applicant:</b>
<b>Final Ranking Score:</b>		<b>Address:</b>
<b>Planner:</b>		<b>Telephone:</b>
<b>Farm Location:</b>		

National Priorities Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
Clean and Abundant Water: Water Quality - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
1. a. Meet regulatory requirements relating to animal feeding operations, or proactively avoid the need for regulatory measures?	15 Point(s)
1. b. Reduce sediment, nutrients or pesticides from agricultural operations located within a field that adjoins a designated impaired water body?	10 Point(s)
1. c. Reduce sediment, nutrients or pesticides from agricultural operations located within a field that adjoins a water body?	5 Point(s)
Clean and Abundant Water: Water Conservation - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
2. a. Increase groundwater recharge in identified groundwater depletion areas ( <a href="http://water.usgs.gov/ogw/rasa/html/TOC.html">http://water.usgs.gov/ogw/rasa/html/TOC.html</a> )?	15 Point(s)
2. b. Conserve water from irrigation system improvements and result in estimated water savings of at least 5% and saved water will be available for other beneficial uses?	10 Point(s)
2. c. Conserve water in an area where the applicant participates in a geographically established or watershed-wide project?	5 Point(s)
Clean Air: Treatment of Air Quality from Agricultural Sources - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
3. a. Meet regulatory requirements relating to air quality or proactively avoid the need for regulatory measures?	15 Point(s)
3. b. Reduce green house gases such as methane, nitrous oxide, and volatile organic compounds (VOC)?	15 Point(s)
3. c. Increase carbon sequestration?	5 Point(s)

High Quality, Productive Soils Erosion Reduction - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
4. a. Reduce erosion to tolerable limits (Soil "T")?	15 Point(s)
Healthy Plant and Animal Communities Wildlife Habitat Conservation - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
5. a. Benefit threatened and endangered, at-risk, candidate, or species of concern as identified in a State wildlife plan?	15 Point(s)
5. b. Retain wildlife and plant benefits on land exiting the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP)?	15 Point(s)
High Quality, Productive Soils, Healthy Plant and Animal Communities: Special Environmental Efforts/Initiatives - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
6. a. Eradicate or control noxious or invasive species?	10 Point(s)
6. b. Increase, improve or establish pollinator habitat?	10 Point(s)
6. c. Implement precision agricultural methods?	10 Point(s)
6. d. Properly dispose of animal carcasses?	5 Point(s)
6. e. Implement an Integrated Pest Management plan?	5 Point(s)
Energy Conservation – Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
7. a. Reduce energy consumption on the agricultural operation?	15 Point(s)
7. b. Increase on-farm energy efficiency with more efficient equipment?	10 Point(s)
7. c. Assist in implementing energy conservation measures that reduce emissions from GHGs and air pollutants?	10 Point(s)
Business Lines - Conservation Implementation Additional Ranking Considerations - Will the proposed project result in:	
8. a. Implementation of all planned conservation practices within three years of contract obligation?	10 Point(s)
8. b. Improvement of existing conservation practices or conservation systems already in place at the time the application is accepted, or will complete an existing conservation system?	10 Point(s)
Does the applicant meet the following conditions:	
9. a. If the applicant has an existing EQIP contract, has it been, and is it now, on schedule and in full compliance?	5 Point(s)

9. b. Did the applicant successfully complete any past contract(s) in full compliance?	5 Point(s)
9. c. Is this the applicant's first EQIP application?	5 Point(s)

#### State Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
1. Wildlife(Playa Lakes) #1 - This land is within a NMED priority watershed? 45 Pts	45 Point(s)
2. Wildlife(Playa Lakes) #2 - Treatment of the land outside the playa will enhance the benefits of an approved, active or recently completed section 319 project? 45 Pts	45 Point(s)
3. Wildlife(Playa Lakes) #3 - Applicant agrees to implement a resource management system? 50 Pts	50 Point(s)
4. Wildlife(Playa Lakes) #4 - Habitat for an at-risk species will be protected/enhanced? 45 Pts	45 Point(s)
5. Wildlife(Playa Lakes) #5 - Noxious weeds NMDA (class A, B or C) are present and will be treated? 45 Pts	45 Point(s)
6. Wildlife (Playa Lakes) #6 - Applicant had a prior contract which was implemented on schedule and is providing satisfactory O&M for contracted practices. 20 Pts	20 Point(s)

#### Local Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
1. East Area Wildlife (playas) #1 - Does this applicant have a terminated EQIP contract for non-compliance? -50 Pts	-50 Point(s)
2. East Area Wildlife (playas) #2 - Has playa been pitted and will not be restored? -50 Pts	-50 Point(s)
3. Select Yes to only one of questions #3-#5. East Area Wildlife (playas) #3 - Will playa, buffer area (150 ft), and upland, maximum of 320 acres, be deferred for the entire year? 130 Pts	130 Point(s)
4. East Area Wildlife (playas) #4 - Will playa and buffer area (150 ft), and upland, maximum of 320 acres, be deferred July 15 thru April 15, to create residual cover? 80 Pts	80 Point(s)
5. East Area Wildlife (playas) #5 - Will playa, buffer area (150 ft), and upland, maximum of 320 acres, be deferred through the nesting season, April -Sept? 40 Pts	40 Point(s)
6. Select Yes to only one of questions #6-#10. East Area Wildlife (playas) #6 - Will application include playas with actual playa bottom size of > or = 20 acres? 100 Pts	100 Point(s)
7. East Area Wildlife (playas) #7 - Will application include playas with actual playa bottom size of 15-19.9 acres? 90 Pts	90 Point(s)

8. East Area Wildlife (playas) #8- Will application include playas with actual playa bottom size of 10-14.9 acres? 80 Pts	80 Point(s)
9. East Area Wildlife (playas) #9 - Will application include playas with actual playa bottom size of 5-9.9 acres? 70 Pts	70 Point(s)
10. East Area Wildlife (playas) #10 - Will application include playas with actual playa bottom size of < 5 acres? 60 Pts	60 Point(s)
11. Select Yes to only one of questions #11-#14. East Area Wildlife (playas) #11 - Is the proximity to other playas less than 1/2 mile? 45 Pts	45 Point(s)
12. East Area Wildlife (playas) #12 - Is the proximity to other playas more than 1/2 mile but less than or equal to 1 mile? 35 Pts	35 Point(s)
13. East Area Wildlife (playas) #13 - Is the proximity to other playas more than 1 mile but less than or equal to 2 miles? 25 Pts	25 Point(s)
14. East Area Wildlife (playas) #14 - Is the proximity to other playas more than 2 miles? 10 Pts	10 Point(s)
15. Select Yes to only one of questions #15 - #17 East Area Wildlife (playas) - Is surrounding vegetation native grasses? 20 Pts	20 Point(s)
16. East Area Wildlife (playas) #16 - Is surrounding vegetation CRP grasses? 10 Pts	10 Point(s)
17. East Area Wildlife (playas) #17 - Is surrounding vegetation cropland? 5 Pts	5 Point(s)
18. East Area Wildlife (playas) #18 - Will this application contain land within 2 miles of an active LEP lek site? 20 Pts	20 Point(s)
19. East Area Wildlife (playas) #19 - Will application include fencing for better herd management and playa protection? 25 Pts	25 Point(s)
20. East Area Wildlife (playas) #20 - Will application include developing livestock water systems? 5 Pts	5 Point(s)
21. East Area Wildlife (playas) #21 - Will application include yearlong upland wildlife water? 5 Pts	5 Point(s)
22. East Area Wildlife (playas) #22 - Will upland shrub plots be established for wildlife food and cover? 10 Pts	10 Point(s)
23. East Area Wildlife (playas) #23 - Will water erosion be reduced by installing erosion control structures in critical erosion areas? 20 Pts	20 Point(s)
24. East Area Wildlife (playas) #24- Will producer control noxious and invasive plants on contracted acres? 10 Pts	10 Point(s)
25. East Area Wildlife (playas) #25 - Will all the practices implemented through this application be new? 10 Pts	10 Point(s)

**Land Use:**

**Crop;**

**Grazed Range;**

**Wildlife;**

<b>Resource Concerns</b>	<b>Practices</b>
Air Quality: Particulate matter less than 10 micrometers in diameter (PM 10)	Access Control
Air Quality: Particulate matter less than 10 micrometers in diameter (PM 10)	Brush Management
Air Quality: Particulate matter less than 10 micrometers in diameter (PM 10)	Fence
Air Quality: Particulate matter less than 10 micrometers in diameter (PM 10)	Pipeline
Air Quality: Particulate matter less than 10 micrometers in diameter (PM 10)	Prescribed Grazing
Air Quality: Particulate matter less than 10 micrometers in diameter (PM 10)	Restoration and Management of Rare and D
Air Quality: Particulate matter less than 10 micrometers in diameter (PM 10)	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management
Air Quality: Particulate matter less than 10 micrometers in diameter (PM 10)	Watering Facility
Air Quality: Particulate matter less than 10 micrometers in diameter (PM 10)	Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment
Air Quality: Particulate matter less than 10 micrometers in diameter (PM 10)	Windbreak/Shelterbelt Renovation
Fish and Wildlife: Habitat Fragmentation	Access Control
Fish and Wildlife: Habitat Fragmentation	Brush Management
Fish and Wildlife: Habitat Fragmentation	Critical Area Planting
Fish and Wildlife: Habitat Fragmentation	Fence
Fish and Wildlife: Habitat Fragmentation	Pipeline
Fish and Wildlife: Habitat Fragmentation	Prescribed Grazing
Fish and Wildlife: Habitat Fragmentation	Restoration and Management of Rare and D
Fish and Wildlife: Habitat Fragmentation	Spring Development
Fish and Wildlife: Habitat Fragmentation	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management
Fish and Wildlife: Habitat Fragmentation	Watering Facility
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Cover/Shelter	Access Control
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Cover/Shelter	Brush Management
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Cover/Shelter	Critical Area Planting
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Cover/Shelter	Fence
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Cover/Shelter	Pipeline
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Cover/Shelter	Prescribed Grazing
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Cover/Shelter	Restoration and Management of Rare and D
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Cover/Shelter	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Cover/Shelter	Watering Facility
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Food	Access Control
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Food	Brush Management
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Food	Critical Area Planting
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Food	Fence
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Food	Pipeline
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Food	Prescribed Grazing

Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Food	Restoration and Management of Rare and D
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Food	Spring Development
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Food	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Food	Watering Facility
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Space	Access Control
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Space	Brush Management
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Space	Critical Area Planting
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Space	Fence
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Space	Pipeline
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Space	Prescribed Grazing
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Space	Restoration and Management of Rare and D
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Space	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Space	Watering Facility
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Water	Access Control
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Water	Brush Management
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Water	Fence
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Water	Pipeline
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Water	Prescribed Grazing
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Water	Pumping Plant
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Water	Restoration and Management of Rare and D
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Water	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Water	Water Well
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Water	Watering Facility
Fish and Wildlife: T&E Species: Declining Species, Species of Concern	Access Control
Fish and Wildlife: T&E Species: Declining Species, Species of Concern	Brush Management
Fish and Wildlife: T&E Species: Declining Species, Species of Concern	Fence
Fish and Wildlife: T&E Species: Declining Species, Species of Concern	Pipeline
Fish and Wildlife: T&E Species: Declining Species, Species of Concern	Prescribed Grazing
Fish and Wildlife: T&E Species: Declining Species, Species of Concern	Restoration and Management of Rare and D
Fish and Wildlife: T&E Species: Declining Species, Species of Concern	Spring Development
Fish and Wildlife: T&E Species: Declining Species, Species of Concern	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management
Fish and Wildlife: T&E Species: Declining Species, Species of Concern	Watering Facility
Fish and Wildlife: Threatened and Endangered Fish and Wildlife Species	Access Control
Fish and Wildlife: Threatened and Endangered Fish and Wildlife Species	Brush Management
Fish and Wildlife: Threatened and Endangered Fish and Wildlife Species	Fence
Fish and Wildlife: Threatened and Endangered Fish and Wildlife Species	Pipeline
Fish and Wildlife: Threatened and Endangered Fish and Wildlife Species	Prescribed Grazing

Fish and Wildlife: Threatened and Endangered Fish and Wildlife Species	Restoration and Management of Rare and D
Fish and Wildlife: Threatened and Endangered Fish and Wildlife Species	Spring Development
Fish and Wildlife: Threatened and Endangered Fish and Wildlife Species	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management
Fish and Wildlife: Threatened and Endangered Fish and Wildlife Species	Watering Facility
Plant Condition: Forage Quality and Palatability	Access Control
Plant Condition: Forage Quality and Palatability	Brush Management
Plant Condition: Forage Quality and Palatability	Fence
Plant Condition: Forage Quality and Palatability	Pipeline
Plant Condition: Forage Quality and Palatability	Prescribed Grazing
Plant Condition: Forage Quality and Palatability	Restoration and Management of Rare and D
Plant Condition: Forage Quality and Palatability	Spring Development
Plant Condition: Forage Quality and Palatability	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management
Plant Condition: Productivity, Health and Vigor	Access Control
Plant Condition: Productivity, Health and Vigor	Brush Management
Plant Condition: Productivity, Health and Vigor	Critical Area Planting
Plant Condition: Productivity, Health and Vigor	Fence
Plant Condition: Productivity, Health and Vigor	Pipeline
Plant Condition: Productivity, Health and Vigor	Prescribed Grazing
Plant Condition: Productivity, Health and Vigor	Restoration and Management of Rare and D
Plant Condition: Productivity, Health and Vigor	Spring Development
Plant Condition: Productivity, Health and Vigor	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management
Soil Erosion: Sheet and Rill	Access Control
Soil Erosion: Sheet and Rill	Brush Management
Soil Erosion: Sheet and Rill	Critical Area Planting
Soil Erosion: Sheet and Rill	Fence
Soil Erosion: Sheet and Rill	Grade Stabilization Structure
Soil Erosion: Sheet and Rill	Pipeline
Soil Erosion: Sheet and Rill	Prescribed Grazing
Soil Erosion: Sheet and Rill	Restoration and Management of Rare and D
Soil Erosion: Sheet and Rill	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management
Soil Erosion: Sheet and Rill	Watering Facility
Soil Erosion: Wind	Access Control

Soil Erosion: Wind	Brush Management
Soil Erosion: Wind	Critical Area Planting
Soil Erosion: Wind	Fence
Soil Erosion: Wind	Pipeline
Soil Erosion: Wind	Prescribed Grazing
Soil Erosion: Wind	Restoration and Management of Rare and D
Soil Erosion: Wind	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management
Soil Erosion: Wind	Watering Facility
Water Quality: Excessive Suspended Sediment and Turbidity in Surface Water	Access Control
Water Quality: Excessive Suspended Sediment and Turbidity in Surface Water	Brush Management
Water Quality: Excessive Suspended Sediment and Turbidity in Surface Water	Critical Area Planting
Water Quality: Excessive Suspended Sediment and Turbidity in Surface Water	Diversion
Water Quality: Excessive Suspended Sediment and Turbidity in Surface Water	Fence
Water Quality: Excessive Suspended Sediment and Turbidity in Surface Water	Grade Stabilization Structure
Water Quality: Excessive Suspended Sediment and Turbidity in Surface Water	Pipeline
Water Quality: Excessive Suspended Sediment and Turbidity in Surface Water	Restoration and Management of Rare and D
Water Quality: Excessive Suspended Sediment and Turbidity in Surface Water	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management
Water Quality: Excessive Suspended Sediment and Turbidity in Surface Water	Watering Facility
Water Quantity: Aquifer Overdraft	Access Control
Water Quantity: Aquifer Overdraft	Brush Management
Water Quantity: Aquifer Overdraft	Fence
Water Quantity: Aquifer Overdraft	Grade Stabilization Structure
Water Quantity: Aquifer Overdraft	Pipeline
Water Quantity: Aquifer Overdraft	Prescribed Grazing
Water Quantity: Aquifer Overdraft	Restoration and Management of Rare and D
Water Quantity: Aquifer Overdraft	Spring Development
Water Quantity: Aquifer Overdraft	Watering Facility
Water Quantity: Rangeland Hydrologic Cycle	Access Control
Water Quantity: Rangeland Hydrologic Cycle	Brush Management
Water Quantity: Rangeland Hydrologic Cycle	Critical Area Planting
Water Quantity: Rangeland Hydrologic Cycle	Fence
Water Quantity: Rangeland Hydrologic Cycle	Grade Stabilization Structure
Water Quantity: Rangeland Hydrologic Cycle	Pipeline
Water Quantity: Rangeland Hydrologic Cycle	Prescribed Grazing
Water Quantity: Rangeland Hydrologic Cycle	Restoration and Management of Rare and D
Water Quantity: Rangeland Hydrologic Cycle	Watering Facility
Water Quantity: Reduced Storage of Water Bodies by Sediment Accumulation	Access Control
Water Quantity: Reduced Storage of Water Bodies by Sediment Accumulation	Brush Management

Water Quantity: Reduced Storage of Water Bodies by Sediment Accumulation	Critical Area Planting
Water Quantity: Reduced Storage of Water Bodies by Sediment Accumulation	Diversions
Water Quantity: Reduced Storage of Water Bodies by Sediment Accumulation	Fence
Water Quantity: Reduced Storage of Water Bodies by Sediment Accumulation	Grade Stabilization Structure
Water Quantity: Reduced Storage of Water Bodies by Sediment Accumulation	Pipeline
Water Quantity: Reduced Storage of Water Bodies by Sediment Accumulation	Prescribed Grazing
Water Quantity: Reduced Storage of Water Bodies by Sediment Accumulation	Restoration and Management of Rare and D
Water Quantity: Reduced Storage of Water Bodies by Sediment Accumulation	Watering Facility

**Ranking Score**

Efficiency:  Local Issues:  State Issues:  National Issues:  <b>Final Ranking Score:</b>
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This ranking report is for your information. It does not in any way guarantee funding. When funding becomes available, you will be notified if your application is selected for funding. Some changes to the application may be required before a final contract is awarded.

Notes:

<b>NRCS Representative:</b>	<b>Applicant Signature Not Required on this report for Contract Development unless required by State policy:</b>
<b>Signature Date:</b>	<b>Signature Date:</b>