

Natural Resources Conservation Service

**Application Ranking Summary  
East Area - Headquarters (Windbreak)**

<b>Program:</b> EQIP 2008	<b>Ranking Date:</b>	<b>Application Number:</b>
<b>Ranking Tool:</b> East Area - Headquarters (Windbreak)		<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
If the application is for development of a Conservation Activity Plan (CAP), the agency will assign significant ranking priority and conservation benefit by answering "Yes" to the following question. Answering "Yes" to question 1a will result in the application being awarded the maximum amount of points that can be earned for the national priority category.	
1. a. Is the program application to support the development of a Conservation Activity Plan (CAP)? If answer is "Yes", do not answer any other national level questions. If answer is "No", proceed with evaluation to address the remaining questions in this section.	250 Point(s)
Clean and Abundant Water: Water Quality - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
2. a. Meet regulatory requirements relating to animal feeding operations, or proactively avoid the need for regulatory measures?	15 Point(s)
2. b. Reduce sediment, nutrients or pesticides from agricultural operations located within a field that adjoins a designated "impaired water body" (TMDL, 303d, etc.)?	15 Point(s)
2. c. Reduce sediment, nutrients or pesticides from agricultural operations located within a field that adjoins a "non-impaired water body"?	5 Point(s)
Clean and Abundant Water: Water Conservation - Will the proposed project assist the producer implement conservation practices which:	
3. a. Decrease aquifer overdraft?	15 Point(s)
3. b. Conserve water from irrigation system improvements and saved water will be available for other beneficial uses?	10 Point(s)
3. 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 implement practice(s) which:	

4. a. Meet on-farm regulatory requirements relating to air quality or proactively avoid the need for regulatory measures?	15 Point(s)
4. b. Reduce on-farm generated green house gases such as CO <sub>2</sub> (Carbon Dioxide), CH <sub>4</sub> (Methane), and N <sub>2</sub> O (Nitrous Oxide)?	15 Point(s)
4. c. Increase on-farm carbon sequestration?	5 Point(s)
Soil Health: Will the proposed project assist the producer to implement practice(s) which:	
5. a. Reduce erosion to tolerable limits (Soil "T")?	15 Point(s)
5. b. Improve soil tilth, organic matter, structure, health, etc.?	5 Point(s)
Healthy Plant and Animal Communities Wildlife Habitat Conservation - Will the proposed project assist the producer to implement practice(s) which:	
6. a. Benefit on-farm habitat associated with threatened and endangered, at-risk, candidate, or species of concern as identified in a State wildlife plan?	15 Point(s)
6. b. Help retain wildlife and plant habitat on land exiting the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP)?	10 Point(s)
High Quality, Productive Soils, Healthy Plant and Animal Communities: Will the proposed project assist the producer implement practices which:	
7. a. Help manage or control noxious or invasive plant species on non-cropland?	10 Point(s)
7. b. Increase, or improve habitat to benefit pollinator or other targeted wildlife species?	10 Point(s)
7. c. Properly dispose of livestock carcasses?	5 Point(s)
7. d. Are identified in an Integrated Pest Management plan?	10 Point(s)
7. e. Are identified in a Nutrient Management plan?	10 Point(s)
7. f. Apply principles of adaptive nutrient management?	5 Point(s)
Energy Conservation - Will the proposed project assist the producer to implement practices which:	
8. a. Reduce energy consumption on the agricultural operation?	15 Point(s)
8. b. Increase on-farm energy efficiency with practices and improvements identified in an approved energy audit equivalent to criteria required in Ag EMP (122.124)?	10 Point(s)
8. c. Assist in implementing energy conservation measures that also reduce greenhouse gas emissions and other air pollutants?	10 Point(s)

Business Lines - Conservation Implementation Additional Ranking Considerations - Will the proposed project result in:	
9. a. Implementation of all conservation practices scheduled in the contract on the CPA-1155 within three years of date of obligation?	10 Point(s)
9. b. Improvement of existing conservation practices or conservation systems already in place at the time the application is accepted?	5 Point(s)
9. c. Implementation of practice(s) which will complete an existing conservation system or suite of practices?	5 Point(s)

#### State Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
1. Windbreak #1 - Treatment of this land will enhance the benefits of an approved, active or recently completed section 319 project? 50 Pts	50 Point(s)
2. Windbreak #2 - Applicant agrees to implement the appropriate resource management system? 75 Pts	75 Point(s)
3. Windbreak #3 - Habitat for an at-risk species will be protected/enhanced? 50 Pts	50 Point(s)
4. Windbreak #4 - Noxious weeds (NMDA class A, B or C) are present and will be treated? 50 Pts	50 Point(s)
5. Windbreak #5 - Applicant had a prior contract which was implemented on schedule and is providing satisfactory O&M for contracted practices. 25 Pts	25 Point(s)

#### Local Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
1. CLAYTON #1 - Has the applicant had a Farm Bill program contract terminated for non-compliance? -50 Pts	-50 Point(s)
2. Clayton #2 - Does the applicant have an existing EQIP contract that is in non-compliance? -25 Pts	-25 Point(s)
3. Select Clayton Question #3, 4, 5, 6, or 7 Clayton #3 - Will a windbreak be established with a length of > 1000 feet? 100 Pts	100 Point(s)
4. Clayton #4 - Will a windbreak be established with a length of 751 - 1000 feet? 80 Pts	80 Point(s)
5. Clayton #5 - Will a windbreak be established with a length of 501 - 750 feet? 60 Pts	60 Point(s)
6. Clayton #6 - Will a windbreak be established with a length of 250 - 500 feet? 40 Pts	40 Point(s)
7. Clayton #7 - Will a windbreak be established with a length of < 250 feet? 10 Pts	10 Point(s)
8. Select Clayton Question #8, 9, 10 or 11. Clayton #8 - Will windbreak consist of multiple rows and multiple species? 100 Pts	100 Point(s)

9. Clayton #9 - Will windbreak consist of multiple rows and single species? 50 Pts	50 Point(s)
10. Clayton #10 - Will windbreak consist of single rows and multiple species? 30 Pts	30 Point(s)
11. Clayton #11 - Will windbreak consist of single row and single species? 20 Pts	20 Point(s)
12. Clayton #12 - Will windbreak protect a public road? 38 Pts	38 Point(s)
13. Clayton #13 - Will windbreak protect a homestead/farmstead? 32 Pts	32 Point(s)
14. Clayton #14 - Will windbreak protect livestock or livestock facilities? 28 Pts	28 Point(s)
15. Clayton #15 - Will windbreak protect cropland? 24 Pts	24 Point(s)
16. Clayton #16 - Will windbreak protect rangeland? 22 Pts	22 Point(s)
17. Clayton #17 - Will windbreak include water for targeted wildlife species? 22 Pts	22 Point(s)
18. Clayton #18 - Will windbreak include food (fruiting species) for targeted wildlife species? 20 Pts	20 Point(s)
19. Clayton #19 - Will windbreak include cover for targeted wildlife species? 14 Pts	14 Point(s)
20. CLOVIS #1 - Does this applicant have a terminated EQIP contract for non-compliance? - 50 Pts	-50 Point(s)
21. Clovis Select YES to only one of questions # 2-#10. Clovis #2 - Will a windbreak greater than 2,000 linear feet be installed to provide protection to a farmstead? 300 Pts	300 Point(s)
22. Clovis #3 - Will a windbreak of 1,000 – 2,000 linear feet be installed to provide protection to a farmstead? 200 Pts	200 Point(s)
23. Clovis #4 - Will a windbreak of less than 1,000 linear feet be installed to provide protection to a farmstead? 100 Pts	100 Point(s)
24. Clovis #5 - Will a windbreak greater than 2,000 linear feet be installed around an AFO/CAFO or other livestock facility? 50 Pts	50 Point(s)
25. Clovis #6 - Will a windbreak of 1,000 – 2,000 linear feet be installed around an AFO/CAFO or other livestock facility? 25 Pts	25 Point(s)
26. Clovis #7 - Will a windbreak of less than 1000 linear feet be installed around an AFO/CAFO or other livestock facility? 10 Pts	10 Point(s)
27. Clovis #8 - Will a windbreak greater than 2,000 linear feet be installed to provide protection to cropland or a public road? 200 Pts	200 Point(s)
28. Clovis #9 - Will a windbreak of 1,000 – 2,000 linear feet be installed to provide protection to cropland or a public road? 100 Pts	100 Point(s)
29. Clovis #10 - Will a windbreak less than 1,000 feet be installed to provide protection to cropland or a public road? 50 Pts	50 Point(s)

30. Clovis #11 - Will the planned windbreak incorporate a shrub for targeted wildlife species? 50 Pts	50 Point(s)
31. Clovis #12 - Will this application result in the installation of a wildlife guzzler? 50 Pts	50 Point(s)
32. Portales #1 - Does this applicant have a previous EQIP contract that was terminated due to non-compliance? -50 Pts	-50 Point(s)
33. Select Portales Question #2, 3 or 4. Portales #2 - Will a windbreak of greater than or equal to 2,000 feet be installed? 180 Pts	180 Point(s)
34. Portales #3 - Will a windbreak of 1000 to 1999 feet be installed? 150 Pts	150 Point(s)
35. Portales #4 - Will a windbreak of <1000 feet be installed? 130 Pts	130 Point(s)
36. Portales #5 - Will a fence be installed to protect from livestock and/or pipeline be installed for a windbreak? 10 Pts	10 Point(s)
37. Portales #6 - Will the planned windbreak be installed to protect a farmstead? 30 Pts	30 Point(s)
38. Portales #7 - Will the planned windbreak be installed to protect livestock? 30 Pts	30 Point(s)
39. Portales #8 - Will the planned windbreak be installed to protect cropland? 30 Pts	30 Point(s)
40. Portales #9 - Will the planned windbreak be installed to protect a public road? 30 Pts	30 Point(s)
41. Portales #10 - Will the planned windbreak incorporate a shrub for targeted wildlife species? 90 Pts	90 Point(s)
42. Select Tucumcari Question #1, 2, 3 or 4. Tucumcari #1 - Will this application include a windbreak of single row and single species? 20 Pts	20 Point(s)
43. Tucumcari #2 - Will this application include a windbreak of single row and multiple species? 30 Pts	30 Point(s)
44. Tucumcari #3 - Will this application include a windbreak of multiple row and single species? 50 Pts	50 Point(s)
45. Tucumcari #4 - Will this application include a windbreak of multiple row and multiple species? 100 Pts	100 Point(s)
46. Select Tucumcari Question # 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9. Tucumcari #5 - Will this application include a windbreak of 0-500 feet in length? 10 Pts	10 Point(s)
47. Tucumcari #6 - Will this application include a windbreak of 501-1320 feet in length? 40 Pts	40 Point(s)
48. Tucumcari #7 - Will this application include a windbreak of 1321-2640 feet in length? 60 Pts	60 Point(s)
49. Tucumcari #8 - Will this application include a windbreak of 2641-5280 feet in length? 80 Pts	80 Point(s)
50. Tucumcari #9 - Will this application include a windbreak of >5280 feet in length? 100 Pts	100 Point(s)

51. Tucumcari #10 - Will the windbreak protect a homestead/farmstead from soil erosion originating on adjacent cropland or rangeland? 38 Pts	38 Point(s)
52. Tucumcari #11 - Will the windbreak protect cropland? 32 Pts	32 Point(s)
53. Tucumcari #12 - Will the windbreak protect rangeland? 28 Pts	28 Point(s)
54. Tucumcari #13 - Will the windbreak protect a public road? 22 Pts	22 Point(s)
55. Tucumcari #14 - Will the windbreak protect livestock or livestock facilities? 24 Pts	24 Point(s)
56. Tucumcari #15 - Will this application be used to establish food for targeted wildlife species? 20 Pts	20 Point(s)
57. Tucumcari #16 - Will this application be used to establish cover for targeted wildlife species? 14 Pts	14 Point(s)
58. Tucumcari #17 - Will this application be used to establish water for targeted wildlife species? 22 Pts	22 Point(s)

**Land Use:**

**Headquarters;**

<b>Resource Concerns</b>	<b>Practices</b>
Air Quality: Adverse Air Temperature	Access Control
Air Quality: Adverse Air Temperature	Fence
Air Quality: Adverse Air Temperature	Irrigation System, Microirrigation
Air Quality: Adverse Air Temperature	Livestock Pipeline
Air Quality: Adverse Air Temperature	Range Planting
Air Quality: Adverse Air Temperature	Tree/Shrub Establishment
Air Quality: Adverse Air Temperature	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management
Air Quality: Adverse Air Temperature	Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment
Air Quality: Objectionable Odors	Fence
Air Quality: Objectionable Odors	Irrigation System, Microirrigation
Air Quality: Objectionable Odors	Livestock Pipeline
Air Quality: Objectionable Odors	Range Planting
Air Quality: Objectionable Odors	Tree/Shrub Establishment
Air Quality: Objectionable Odors	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management
Air Quality: Objectionable Odors	Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment
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)	Irrigation System, Microirrigation
Air Quality: Particulate matter less than 10 micrometers in diameter (PM 10)	Livestock Pipeline
Air Quality: Particulate matter less than 10 micrometers in diameter (PM 10)	Range Planting
Air Quality: Particulate matter less than 10 micrometers in diameter (PM 10)	Tree/Shrub Establishment
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)	Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment
Air Quality: Undesirable Air Movement	Fence
Air Quality: Undesirable Air Movement	Irrigation System, Microirrigation
Air Quality: Undesirable Air Movement	Livestock Pipeline
Air Quality: Undesirable Air Movement	Range Planting

Air Quality: Undesirable Air Movement	Tree/Shrub Establishment
Air Quality: Undesirable Air Movement	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management
Air Quality: Undesirable Air Movement	Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment
Domestic Animals: Inadequate Shelter	Fence
Domestic Animals: Inadequate Shelter	Irrigation System, Microirrigation
Domestic Animals: Inadequate Shelter	Livestock Pipeline
Domestic Animals: Inadequate Shelter	Tree/Shrub Establishment
Domestic Animals: Inadequate Shelter	Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment
Domestic Animals: Stress and Mortality	Fence
Domestic Animals: Stress and Mortality	Irrigation System, Microirrigation
Domestic Animals: Stress and Mortality	Livestock Pipeline
Domestic Animals: Stress and Mortality	Tree/Shrub Establishment
Domestic Animals: Stress and Mortality	Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment
Fish and Wildlife: Habitat Fragmentation	Access Control
Fish and Wildlife: Habitat Fragmentation	Irrigation System, Microirrigation
Fish and Wildlife: Habitat Fragmentation	Livestock Pipeline
Fish and Wildlife: Habitat Fragmentation	Range Planting
Fish and Wildlife: Habitat Fragmentation	Tree/Shrub Establishment
Fish and Wildlife: Habitat Fragmentation	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management
Fish and Wildlife: Habitat Fragmentation	Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment
Fish and Wildlife: Habitat Fragmentation	Windbreak/Shelterbelt Renovation
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Cover/Shelter	Access Control
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Cover/Shelter	Fence
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Cover/Shelter	Irrigation System, Microirrigation
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Cover/Shelter	Livestock Pipeline
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Cover/Shelter	Range Planting
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Cover/Shelter	Tree/Shrub Establishment
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Cover/Shelter	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Cover/Shelter	Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Cover/Shelter	Windbreak/Shelterbelt Renovation
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Food	Access Control
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Food	Fence
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Food	Irrigation System, Microirrigation
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Food	Livestock Pipeline
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Food	Range Planting
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Food	Tree/Shrub Establishment
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Food	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Food	Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Food	Windbreak/Shelterbelt Renovation
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Water	Livestock Pipeline
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Water	Pumping Plant
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Water	Water Well
Fish and Wildlife: Inadequate Water	Watering Facility
Soil Erosion: Wind	Access Control
Soil Erosion: Wind	Fence
Soil Erosion: Wind	Irrigation Pipeline
Soil Erosion: Wind	Irrigation System, Microirrigation
Soil Erosion: Wind	Irrigation System, Surface and Subsurfac
Soil Erosion: Wind	Pumping Plant
Soil Erosion: Wind	Tree/Shrub Establishment
Soil Erosion: Wind	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management
Soil Erosion: Wind	Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment

Soil Erosion: Wind	Windbreak/Shelterbelt Renovation
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**Ranking Score**

<p>Efficiency:</p> <p>Local Issues:</p> <p>State Issues:</p> <p>National Issues:</p> <p><b>Final Ranking Score:</b></p>
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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>