

# Attachment G (Wisconsin – Phosphorus Priority Sign-Up)

## Required National Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Screening Criteria Worksheet: NRCS Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)

Fiscal Year 2013

*A Screening Worksheet must be completed for each eligible EQIP application.*

<p><u>Instructions:</u></p> <p>This screening worksheet must be completed for each eligible producer applying for EQIP Great Lakes Restoration Initiative assistance. Applications will be accepted on a continuous basis; however, application periods are established for purposes of evaluation, ranking, and funding decisions. The goal of this screening tool is to ensure that conservation technical assistance and the WHIP/EQIP program benefits are managed efficiently to address priority conservation needs related to this national initiative.</p> <p>Completion of this worksheet and documentation does not constitute agreement to provide EQIP program benefits nor approval of a program contract. The original screening worksheet should be filed with the applicant case file or EQIP program file and unless the application is determined to be ineligible, the screening priority (high, medium, and low) must be recorded in ProTracts. Upon request, a copy of any completed screening worksheet may be provided to the applicant.</p>	
<b>Detailed Screening Criteria Worksheet – Complete for Each Eligible EQIP Applicant</b>	
Applicant Name:	County:
Application No:	Field Office:
Evaluator Name:	Date:
<b>Priority Determination for ProTracts – Select One:</b>	
<p><b><u>Ineligible Category:</u></b> All of the application acres are located on land that is <b>not</b> within the boundaries of the approved watersheds (<del>8-digit HUC or 12-digit HUC</del> <b>Phosphorus Reduction Priority Watersheds</b>) for the GLRI (enter application in ProTracts, but do not rank; offer alternative program assistance).</p>	<p>Application Status is "Ineligible"</p>
<p><b><u>High Priority Category:</u></b>                      All of the conservation practices requested in the application will be implemented on land physically located inside the <del>GLRI 8-digit or 12-digit watershed</del> <b>Phosphorus Reduction Priority Watersheds, AND</b>                      The application includes "core" conservation practices <u>on more than or equal to 25 percent</u> of the offered acres. – OR –                      The application is for a conservation activity plan (CAP).</p>	<p>High Priority Status in ProTracts</p>
<p><b><u>Medium Priority Category 1:</u></b>                      All of the conservation practices requested in the application will be applied on land physically located inside the <del>GLRI 8-digit or 12-digit watershed</del> <b>Phosphorus Reduction Priority Watersheds, AND</b>                      The application contains "core" conservation practices <u>on less than 25 percent</u> of the acres offered.</p>	<p>Medium Priority Status in ProTracts</p>
<p><b><u>Medium Priority Category 2:</u></b>                      One or more of the conservation practices requested in the application will be applied on land physically located outside the <del>GLRI watershed 8-digit or 12-digit watershed</del> <b>Phosphorus Reduction Priority Watersheds, AND</b>                      The application contains "core" conservation practices located inside the <del>GLRI 8-digit or 12-digit watershed</del> <b>Phosphorus Reduction Priority Watersheds.</b></p>	<p>Medium Priority Status in ProTracts</p>
<p><b><u>Low Priority Category:</u></b>                      All other applications – Low-priority applications <u>will not</u> be ranked for FY 2013 GLRI</p>	<p>Low Priority Status in ProTracts</p>

The priority determination of high, medium, or low must be recorded in ProTracts for this applicant.

D.C. Approval:		Date Approved:	
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## Core Practices

**GLRI Nearshore Health:** Core practices to reduce water quality degradation due to excess sediment, nutrients, or pesticides. It also applies to practices that establish and improve fish and wildlife habitat.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Conservation Cover (327)</li><li>• Conservation Crop Rotation (328)</li><li>• Contour Buffer Strips (332)</li><li>• Contour Farming (330)</li><li>• Cover Crop (340)</li><li>• Critical Area Planting (342)</li><li>• Diversion (362)</li><li>• Drainage Water Management (554)</li><li>• Field Border (386)</li><li>• Filter Strip (393)</li><li>• Grassed Waterway (412)</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Heavy Use Area Protection (561)</li><li>• Nutrient Management (590)</li><li>• Prescribed Grazing (528)</li><li>• Residue and Tillage Management, Mulch Till (345)</li><li>• Residue and Tillage Management, No Till/Strip Till/Direct Seed (329)</li><li>• Residue Management, Seasonal (344)</li><li>• Riparian Forest Buffer (391)</li><li>• Tree/Shrub Establishment (612)</li><li>• Waste Storage Facility (313)</li><li>• Wetland Enhancement (659)</li><li>• Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment (380)</li></ul> |
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*Note: If a practice will be installed outside of the WI Phosphorus Reduction Priority Watershed Area, to be eligible, the practice must still be located within the Great Lakes Basin Watershed.*