

# Wisconsin General Sign-Up Screening Tool

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

Fiscal Year 2014

*A Screening Worksheet must be completed for each eligible GLRI-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 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 an agreement to provide GLRI-EQIP program benefits nor approval of a program contract. The original screening worksheet should be filed with the applicant case file or GLRI-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 GLRI-EQIP Applicant</b>	
Applicant Name:	County:
Application No:	Field Office:
Evaluator Name:	Date:
<b>Priority Determination for ProTracts – Select One:</b>	
<p><b><u>High Priority Category:</u></b>                      The application includes a “core” conservation practice that will be implemented on land physically located inside one of the Targeted 12-Digit HUCs  <b>OR</b>                      The application is for a conservation activity plan (CAP) that includes land physically located inside one of the Targeted 12-Digit HUCs</p>	<p><b>High Priority</b> Status in ProTracts</p>
<p><b><u>Medium Priority Category:</u></b>                      The application includes a “core” conservation practice that will be implemented on land physically located within the Wisconsin GLRI Priority Area (i.e. Manitowoc-Sheboygan, Milwaukee Watershed)  <b>OR</b>                      The application is for a conservation activity plan (CAP) for an operation located within the Wisconsin GLRI Priority Area (i.e. Manitowoc-Sheboygan, Milwaukee Watershed).</p> <p>Medium priority applications will only be ranked if there is an insufficient quantity of High priority applications to fully obligate the Wisconsin financial assistance allocation.</p>	<p><b>Medium Priority</b> Status in ProTracts</p>
<p><b><u>Low Priority Category:</u></b>                      All other applications. Enter application ProTracts, but do not rank. Offer alternative program assistance.</p>	<p><b>Low Priority</b> Status in ProTracts</p>

*Note: To be eligible for financial assistance, the conservation practice must be located within the Great Lake Basin Watershed.*

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 or nutrients. It also applies to practices that establish and improve fish and wildlife habitat.

- Conservation Cover (327)
- Conservation Crop Rotation (328)
- Contour Buffer Strips (332)
- Contour Farming (330)
- Cover Crop (340)
- Critical Area Planting (342)
- Diversion (362)
- Drainage Water Management (554)
- Field Border (386)
- Filter Strip (393)
- Grassed Waterway (412)
- Heavy Use Area Protection (561)
- Nutrient Management (590)
- Prescribed Grazing (528)
- Residue and Tillage Management, Mulch Till (345)
- Residue and Tillage Management, No Till (329)
- Riparian Forest Buffer (391)
- Tree/Shrub Establishment (612)
- Upland Wildlife Habitat Management (645)
- Waste Storage Facility (313)
- Wetland Restoration (657)
- Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management (644)
- Windbreak/Shelter Establishment (380)

**GLRI Invasive Species:** Core practices that address invasive species and plant condition resource concerns.

- Brush Management (314)
- Forest Stand Improvement (666)
- Herbaceous Weed Control (315)
- Prescribed Burning (338)
- Prescribed Grazing (528)
- Tree/Shrub Establishment (612)
- Wetland Restoration (657)

### Targeted 12-Digit HUCs:

Cato Falls – Manitowoc River  
 Devils River  
 Headwaters North Branch Manitowoc River  
 Headwaters South Branch Manitowoc River  
 Headwaters West Branch Milwaukee River  
 Jackson Marsh State Wildlife Area – Cedar Creek  
 Jambo Creek  
 Krok Creek – East Twin River  
 Little Menomonee River  
 Lower Mullet River  
 North Branch Manitowoc River  
 Otter Creek – Sheboygan River  
 Pigeon Creek – Milwaukee River  
 Sauk Creek  
 Spring Creek  
 Sucker Creek – Frontal Lake Michigan  
 Tisch Mills Creek – East Twin River  
 Upper Branch River  
 Village of Grafton – Milwaukee River  
 Village of Menomonee Falls – Menomonee River  
 Village of Reedsville – Mud Creek  
 West Branch Milwaukee River

