

# Wisconsin Phosphorus Priority 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.*

<u>Instructions:</u>	
<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>High Priority Category:</b></p> <p>All of the conservation practices requested in the application will be implemented on land physically located inside the Lower Fox Watershed, AND The application includes “core” conservation practices on more than or equal to 25 percent of the offered acres. – OR – The application is for a conservation activity plan (CAP).</p>	High Priority Status in ProTracts
<p><b>Medium Priority Category 1:</b></p> <p>All of the conservation practices requested in the application will be applied on land physically located inside the Lower Fox Watershed, AND The application contains “core” conservation practices on less than 25 percent of the acres offered.</p>	<p><b>Medium Priority</b></p> <p>Status in ProTracts</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 Category 2:</b></p> <p>One or more of the conservation practices requested in the application will be applied on land physically located outside the Lower Fox Watershed, AND The application contains “core” conservation practices located in the Lower Fox Watershed.</p>	
<p><b>Low Priority Category:</b></p> <p>All of the application acres are located on land this is not within the boundaries of the Lower Fox Watershed. Enter the application in ProTracts, but do not rank. Offer alternative program assistance.</p>	Low Priority Status in ProTracts

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.

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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></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Grassed Waterway (412)</li><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 (329)</li><li>• Riparian Forest Buffer (391)</li><li>• Tree/Shrub Establishment (612)</li><li>• Waste Storage Facility (313)</li><li>• Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment (380)</li></ul> |
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*Note: If a conservation practice will be installed outside of the Lower Fox Watershed, to be eligible, the conservation practice must still be located within the Great Lakes Basin Watershed.*