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Ranking Tool Summary for FY2016 - High Tunnel (Draft)

Description:

Welcome to the AMA Seasonal High Tunnel Ranking Tool. Please complete all questions.

Land Uses:

Crop

Efficiency Score:

Scoring Multiplier: 0.850

Optional Notes:

National Priorities:

Scoring Multiplier: 0.850

Questions:

Number	Question	Points
1	a. Meet regulatory requirements relating to animal feeding operations, or proactively avoid the need for regulatory measures?	15
1	b. Reduce sediment, nutrients or pesticides from agricultural operations located within a field that adjoins a designated "impaired water body" (TMDL, 303d, etc.)?	15
1	c. Reduce sediment, nutrients or pesticides from agricultural operations located within a field that adjoins a "non-impaired water body"?	5
2	a. Decrease aquifer overdraft?	15
2	b. Conserve water from irrigation system improvements and saved water will be available for other beneficial uses?	10
2	c. Conserve water in an area where the applicant participates in a geographically established or watershed-wide project?	5
3	a. Meet on-farm regulatory requirements relating to air quality or proactively avoid the need for regulatory measures?	15
3	b. Reduce on-farm generated green house gases such as CO ₂ (Carbon Dioxide), CH ₄ (Methane), and N ₂ O (Nitrous Oxide)?	15
3	c. Increase on-farm carbon sequestration?	5
4	a. Reduce erosion to tolerable limits (Soil "T")?	15
4	b. Improve soil tilth, organic matter, structure, health, etc.?	5
5	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
5	b. Help retain wildlife and plant habitat on land exiting the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP)?	10
6	a. Help manage or control noxious or invasive species on non-cropland?	10
6	b. Increase, or improve habitat to benefit pollinator or other targeted wildlife species?	10
6	c. Properly dispose of livestock carcasses?	5
6	d. Are identified in an Integrated Pest Management plan?	10
6	e. Are identified in a Nutrient Management plan?	10
6	f. Apply principles of adaptive nutrient management?	5
7	a. Reduce energy consumption on the agricultural operation?	15
7	b. Increase on-farm energy efficiency with practices and improvements identified in an approved energy audit equivalent to criteria required in Ag EMP?	10

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