

<b>National Air Quality Initiative</b> <b>Fiscal Year 2017 Application Screening Worksheet</b> <u><b>A Screening Worksheet must be completed for each eligible EQIP application.</b></u>		
Applicant Name:		
Evaluator Name:		
Date:	Batching Number:	Application No:
<p>EQIP is a competitive financial assistance program and applications are screened and ranked based on the expected conservation benefits of planned practices in the EQIP schedule of operations. This screening worksheet must be completed for each eligible applicant applying for financial assistance. Applications are accepted on a continuous basis; however, application batching periods are established for purposes of ranking and funding decisions. A screening worksheet can be processed for each application batching period. The goal of this screening tool is to ensure that conservation technical assistance and EQIP program benefits are managed efficiently to address priority conservation needs. Completion of this worksheet and documentation does not constitute an 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>		
Screening Criteria Questions		
If Yes, continue to the next question. If No, <b>Low Priority</b> Status in ProTracts.	The applicant has reviewed and approved the EQIP schedule of operations that will be uploaded to the NRCS business tool, ProTracts, before or by the ranking deadline.	
If Yes, <b>Low Priority</b> Status in ProTracts. If No, continue to the next question.	<b>Both or either are true:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In the last two EQIP program fiscal years, the applicant:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Had a NRCS contract terminated – and/or,</li> <li>b. Failed to implement contract items in as existing EQIP contract according to the schedule in Form, NRCS-CPA-1155, "Conservation Plan and Schedule of Operations," and the contract was modified to reschedule contract items - installation delays were not due to NRCS error or design delay – and/or,</li> <li>c. Failed to implement rescheduled contract items agreed to according to Form, NRCS-CPA-153, "Agreement Covering Non-Compliance with Provisions of Contract," and Form, NRCS-CPA-1156, "Revision of Plan/Schedule of Operations or Modification of a Contract," – and/or,</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. The applicant installed conservation practices with financial assistance from NRCS that have not been maintained according to the practice operations and maintenance for the practice lifespan.</li> </ol>	
If Yes, <b>Low Priority</b> Status in ProTracts. If No, continue to the next question.	The following worksheets have been provide to the applicant, but complete worksheets have not been submitted to NRCS by the ranking deadline: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Baseline In-Use Equipment and Engine Worksheet</li> <li>• Proposed New Equipment and Engine/Motor Worksheet</li> </ul>	
If Yes, <b>Low Priority</b> Status in ProTracts. If No, continue to the next question	The EQIP schedule of operations is to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Repower or retrofit an in-use engine; or,</li> <li>b. Replace a genset, irrigation pumping plant, pull-behind sprayer, or any other farm implement where an engine does not self-propel itself; or,</li> <li>c. Replace "on-road" trucks and vehicles, manure spreaders, hay-bale squeezes, all-terrain vehicles, conventional forklifts, or truck/trailer mounted forklifts.</li> </ol>	

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<p>If Yes, <b>Low Priority</b> Status in ProTracts. If No, continue to the next question</p>	<p>The EQIP schedule of operations is to replace a fully functional in-use off-road mobile agricultural equipment that is:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Powered by a spark-ignition engine; or,</li> <li>b. Powered by an "on-road" heavy-duty diesel engine; or,</li> <li>c. Powered by a Tier 3 or Tier 4 (Interim or Final) emissions-certified nonroad diesel engine based on the Emissions Standard Category in an applicable ARB Executive Order (or equivalent per EPA/ARB regulations); or,</li> <li>d. Powered by a diesel engine rated less than 25.0 brake-horsepower (bhp).</li> </ol>
<p>If Yes, <b>Low Priority</b> Status in ProTracts. If No, continue to the next question</p>	<p>The EQIP schedule of operations is to replace a fully functional in-use mobile off-road agricultural equipment powered and self-propelled by a new nonroad diesel engine where:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. The new horsepower rating will exceed 125 percent of the (baseline) in-use engine horsepower rating for purposes other than to power combined-tillage implements under NRCS Conservation Practice Standard 376 – <i>Field Operations Emissions Reductions</i>; or,</li> <li>b. The annual hours of operation will exceed the baseline annual hours.</li> </ol>
<p>If Yes, <b>Medium Priority</b> Status in ProTracts. If No, continue to the next question.</p>	<p>The EQIP schedule of operations is to replace a fully functional in-use off-road mobile agricultural equipment powered and self-propelled by a Tier 2 emissions-certified nonroad heavy-duty diesel engine rated at 25.0 bhp, or higher, with a new "like" mobile off-road agricultural equipment powered and self-propelled by a Tier 4 (Interim or Final) emissions-certified nonroad heavy-duty diesel engine rated at 25.0 bhp, or higher, according to the applicable EPA Engine Family Names and emission standards, and will operate a total annual hours equivalent to the reported baseline hours [One-for-One].</p>
<p>If Yes, <b>Medium Priority</b> Status in ProTracts. If No, continue to the next question.</p>	<p>The EQIP schedule of operations is to replace a fully functional in-use off-road mobile agricultural equipment powered and self-propelled by an uncontrolled (Tier 0), Tier 1, or Tier 2 emissions-certified nonroad heavy-duty diesel engine rated at 25.0 bhp, or higher, with a new "like" mobile off-road agricultural equipment powered and self-propelled by a Tier 4 emissions-certified nonroad heavy-duty diesel engine rated at 25.0 bhp or higher, according to the applicable EPA Engine Family Names and emission standards, where:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. The proposed new engine will operate fewer (less) annual hours than the reported baseline annual hours; or,</li> <li>b. The proposed new engine horsepower rating will exceed 125 percent of the existing in-use engine baseline horsepower rating in order to power a combined-tillage implement according to NRCS Conservation Practice Standard 376 – <i>Field Operations Emissions Reductions</i>.</li> </ol>
<p>If Yes, <b>Medium Priority</b> Status in ProTracts. If No, continue to the next question.</p>	<p>The EQIP schedule of operations is to replace one or two fully functional in-use off-road mobile agricultural equipment each powered and self-propelled by a Tier 0 or Tier 1 emissions-certified nonroad heavy-duty diesel engine rated at 25.0 bhp or higher with a new "like" off-road mobile agricultural equipment powered and self-propelled by a nonroad heavy-duty diesel engine rated at 25.0 bhp or higher and meets 2016 or 2017 model-year Tier-certification emission standards or equivalent according to the applicable EPA Engine Family Name, where the new engine is:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Certified as Tier 3 or Tier 4 under an EPA or ARB Flexibility Program; or,</li> <li>b. Certified as Tier 4 to a Family Emissions Limit (FEL) value that exceeds any emissions standard value (STD).</li> </ol>
<p>If Yes, <b>High Priority</b> Status in ProTracts. If No, continue to the next question.</p>	<p>The EQIP schedule of operations is to replace a fully functional in-use off-road mobile agricultural equipment powered and self-propelled by a Tier 0 or Tier 1 heavy-duty diesel engine rated at 25.0 bhp or higher with a new "like" off-road mobile agricultural equipment powered and self-propelled by a Tier 4 emissions-certified off-road heavy-duty diesel engine rated at 25.0 bhp or higher, according to the applicable EPA Engine Family Name, and will operate a total annual hours equivalent to the reported baseline hours [One-for-One].</p>

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<p>If Yes, <b>High Priority</b> Status in ProTracts. If No, continue to the next question.</p>	<p>The EQIP schedule of operations is to replace a fully functional in-use off-road mobile agricultural equipment powered and self-propelled by a Tier 0 heavy-duty diesel engine rated at 25.0 bhp or higher with a new "like" off-road agricultural equipment powered and self-propelled by a Tier 4 emissions-certified nonroad heavy-duty diesel engine rated at 25.0 bhp or higher according to the applicable EPA Engine Family Names, and will operate a total annual hours equivalent to the reported baseline hours; plus destroy one additional in-use mobile off-road agricultural equipment powered by a Tier 0 or Tier 1 nonroad heavy-duty diesel engine rated at 25.0 bhp or higher [One-for-One, plus One].</p>		
<p>If Yes, <b>High Priority</b> Status in ProTracts. If No, <b>Low Priority</b> in ProTracts.</p>	<p>The EQIP schedule of operations is to replace the services of two fully functional "like" in-use mobile off-road agricultural vehicles or equipment where one is powered and self-propelled by a Tier 0 and the other by a Tier 0 or Tier 1 emissions-certified nonroad heavy-duty diesel engine, each rated at 25.0 bhp or higher, for one new "like" off-road agricultural equipment powered and self-propelled by a Tier 4 emissions-certified nonroad heavy-duty diesel engine rated at 25.0 bhp or higher, according to the applicable EPA Engine Family Names, and will operate a total annual hours equivalent to the sum of the two in-use engine baseline hours [Two-for-One].</p>		
<p><b>Application Screening Priority:</b></p>			
<p>Designated Conservationist Approval Signature:</p>			<p>Date Approved:</p>