

Natural Resources Conservation Service

**Application Ranking Summary
Upland Wildlife Habitat Management**

Program:	Ranking Date:	Application Number:
Ranking Tool: Upland Wildlife Habitat Management		Applicant:
Final Ranking Score:		Address:
Planner:	Telephone:	
Farm Location:		

National Priorities Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
Healthy Plant and Animal Communities: Wildlife Habitat Conservation – Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
1. a. Retain wildlife and plant benefits on land exiting the Conservation Reserve Program?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. b. Address and support existing conservation initiatives such as but not limited to the following or new conservation initiatives that support State, National or tribal fish or wildlife plans: Sage Grouse, Lesser Prairie Chicken, Longleaf Pine, New England-New York Forestry	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. c. Benefit federally listed threatened and endangered, at-risk, candidate, fish or wildlife species of concern?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. d. Benefit prioritized native habitat critical to a fish or wildlife species?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. e. Increase, improve or establish pollinator habitat?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. f. Eradicate or control prioritized noxious or invasive species?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. g. Benefit declining or important aquatic wildlife species prioritized in the State WHIP Plan?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. h. Implement conservation practices which benefit prioritized fish or wildlife species in forested areas?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. i. Establish habitat on pivot corners and irregular areas on agricultural land?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. j. Provide self-sustaining habitat for prioritized fish and wildlife while reducing net carbon emissions or boosting carbon storage (e.g., warm season perennial grasses, trees or shrubs)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. k. Benefit migration and other movement corridors for prioritized wildlife?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Business Lines – Conservation Implementation - Additional Ranking Considerations – Will the applicant in the proposed project:	
2. a. Complete habitat development within the first two years of the agreement?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

State Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
1. Addresses native pollinator habitat by creating or enhancing food or nesting sites.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. Addresses golden winged warbler or associated habitat.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. Addresses northern bobwhite quail or associated habitat.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. Addresses grassland songbirds and grassland habitats.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. Addresses ruffed grouse or associated habitat.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. Addresses cottontail rabbit or associated habitat.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
7. Addresses ring-necked pheasant pheasant and associated habitat.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
8. Project will be established in cooperation with WVDNR and or a non-governmental organization such as ruffed grouse society, WTF, etc.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
9. Project is located on previously mined land.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

Local Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
1. Will the project be located where >50% of the treated acreage is above 2800 feet in elevation?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

2. Will the project establish stands of warm season bunch grasses (Indian grass, little and big bluestem, etc.)	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. Will Project establishes at least 3 native forb species (refer to WV Pollinator Handbook).	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. Project contains at least 10 acres of row crops in the proposed habitat.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. Project involves the reduction or elimination of pesticide use.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. Participant agrees to complete all practices in the first two years of the contract.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
7. Project addresses connectivity and movement by establishing corridors for movement through installation of hedgerows,, nectar corridors or linear vegetative practices.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

Land Use:

Resource Concerns	Practices
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Ranking Score

Efficiency: Local Issues: State Issues: National Issues: Final Ranking Score:
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This ranking report is for your information. It does not in any way guarantee funding. When funding becomes available, you will be notified if your application is selected for funding. Some changes to the application may be required before a final contract is awarded.

Notes:

NRCS Representative: Signature Date:	Applicant Signature Not Required on this report for Contract Development unless required by State policy: Signature Date:
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