

MALT Selection Criteria for Individual Application Option

Instructions: All 2016 "SAP Individual Application Option" projects will be evaluated and ranked by the Conservation department at bi-weekly meetings based on the following ranking criteria. A maximum of 50 points is possible. Overall selection and timing of implementation will depend on staff capacity, funding availability, and the immediate resource concern.

		10	5	0	
1	Landowner % Cost Share	<i>Landowner contribution will be 50% or more of proposed project(s) out of pocket costs</i>	<i>Landowner contribution will be 25% or more of proposed project(s) out of pocket costs</i>	<i>Landowner contribution will be 10% of proposed project(s).</i>	
		10	5	0	
2	Project(s) will reduce livestock impacts to wetland habitat and water quality	<i>Project(s) significantly restricts livestock access to surface water or drainages</i>	<i>Project(s) controls or mitigates livestock impacts to surface water quality</i>	<i>Project(s) does not directly address livestock impacts to surface water quality</i>	
		10	5	0	
3	Project(s) are recognized as Climate Beneficial Practices and will provide a clear net benefit	<i>Proposed work will significantly enhance soil organic matter/ mitigate emissions/or is listed in an AMP/CCAMP/CFP</i>	<i>Project(s) Directly improves soil carbon, increases photosynthesis, and/or mitigates erosion/top soil loss</i>	<i>Project(s) does not address Carbon Sequestration on any level</i>	
		10	5	0	
4	Project(s) will improve livestock distribution and movement on the ranch or dairy and assist daily operations	<i>Project(s) proposed will enhance livestock distribution on pasture/rangeland and enable improved management</i>	<i>Project(s) proposed will control livestock movements and prescribed grazing</i>	<i>Does not directly address livestock movement</i>	
		10	5	0	
5	Project(s) is identified in a formal NRCS conservation plan/Carbon Farm Plan/ or MRCD TAC grant funding objective.	<i>Project(s) proposed implements an NRCS Conservation Plan or a MALT/ AMP/CCAMP and meets the overall goals of the operation</i>	<i>Project(s) proposed implements a Grazing Waiver Ranch Plan or assists the landowner in establishing the ability to be eligible for other funding programs</i>	<i>Project not identified in any formal ranch plan, goals are unclear</i>	
				Total:	