



FY 18 Agricultural Enhancement Program Pond Cleanout Ranking Form

Applicant Information			
Name:		Farm #:	Tract #:
County:		Field #:	

Application Eligibility					
Did application meet all of the required questions on the FY 18 Application Eligibility Form? If Yes, please proceed to questions below. If no, Stop.			Yes	No	

General Ranking Questions					
(To be completed by staff based on application and supplemental information)			Yes	No	Points
1.	Does a current conservation plan and/or nutrient management plan completed by a certified planner or trained technician exist for the land/practice being requested?				Y=5 N=0
2.	Does a forest stewardship plan exist for the land/practice being requested? (within last 10 years) If yes, was the plan completed by a registered forester?				Y=3 N=0
3.	Is the land enrolled in the USDA Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program?				Y=2 N=0
4.	Is there an NRCS comprehensive nutrient management plan completed by a certified planner?				Y=5 N=0
5.	Is the field and/or practice enrolled in the USDA-NRCS Focused Conservation Approach Area?				Y=0 N=10
6.	Is cooperator a first time or previous non-funded applicant of the Ag Enhancement Program?				Y=20 N=0
7.	If a non-first time applicant, did the cooperator successfully complete all AgEP contracts within the past 24 months ?				Y=10 N=0
Total General Ranking Score:					

Pond Clean Out Ranking Questions						
(To be completed by Conservation Specialist based on the provided Evaluation Tool)			Yes	No	Points	Evaluation Tool
1.	Is the source for livestock water?				Y=20 N=0	Ask cooperator/ Observation
2.	Is the pond currently excluded from livestock?				Y=25 N=0	Observation
3.	Is pond used as part of a watering system as a source for trough(s)?				Y=10 N=0	Observation
4.	Is there adequate livestock water on the farm?				Y=0 N=15	NRCS Worksheet
5.	Does producer have a copy of the pond design done by a certified engineer?				Y=20 N=0	Ask cooperator
Total Pond Clean Out Ranking Score:						
Total General Ranking Score + Pond Clean Out Ranking Score:						