

Natural Resources Conservation Service

**Application Ranking Summary**  
**WLFW 2.0 Bobwhite Quail Int.**

<b>Program:</b>	<b>Ranking Date:</b>	<b>Application Number:</b>
<b>Ranking Tool:</b> WLFW 2.0 Bobwhite Quail Int.		<b>Applicant:</b>
<b>Final Ranking Score:</b>		<b>Address:</b>
<b>Planner:</b>	<b>Telephone:</b>	
<b>Farm Location:</b>		

**National Priorities Addressed**

Issue Questions	Responses
If the application is for development of a Conservation Activity Plan (CAP), the agency will assign significant ranking priority and conservation benefit by answering “Yes” to the following question. Answering “Yes” to question 1a will result in the application being awarded the maximum amount of points that can be earned for the national priority category.	
1. a. Is the program application to support the development of a Conservation Activity Plan (CAP)? If answer is “Yes”, do not answer any other national level questions. If answer is “No”, proceed with evaluation to address the remaining questions in this section.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Water Quality Degradation – Will the proposed project improve water quality by: (select all that apply)</b>	
2. a. Implementing the practices in a Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan (CNMP)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. b. Implementing the practices in a Nutrient Management Plan (NMP)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. c. Reducing impacts from sediment, nutrients, salinity, or pesticides on land adjoining a designated “impaired water body” (TMDL, 303d listed waterbody, or other State designation)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. d. Reducing the impacts from sediment, nutrients, salinity, or pesticides in a “non-impaired water body”?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. e. Implementing practices that improve water quality through animal mortality and carcass management?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Water Conservation – Will the proposed project conserve water by: (select all that apply)</b>	
3. a. Implementing irrigation practices that reduce aquifer overdraft.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. b. Implementing irrigation practices that reduce on-farm water use?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. c. Implementing practices in an area where the applicant participates in a geographically established or watershed-wide project?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. d. Implementing practices that reduce on-farm water use as a result of changing to crops with lower water consumptive use, the rotation of crops, or the modification of cultural operations?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Air Quality - Will the proposed project improve air quality by: (select all that apply)</b>	
4. a. Meeting on-farm regulatory requirements relating to air quality or proactively avoid the need for regulatory measures?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. b. Implementing practices that reduce on-farm emissions of particulate matter (PM2.5, PM10)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. c. Implementing practices that reduce on-farm generated greenhouse gases such as carbon dioxide (CO2), methane (CH4), and nitrous oxide (N2O)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. d. Implementing practices that increase on-farm carbon sequestration?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Soil Health:– Will the proposed project improve soil health by: (select all that apply)</b>	
5. a. Reduce erosion to tolerable limits (Soil “T”)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. b. Increasing organic matter and carbon content, and improving soil tilth and structure?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Wildlife Habitat – Will the proposed project improve wildlife habitat by: (select all that apply)</b>	
6. a. Implementing practices benefitting threatened and endangered, at-risk, candidate, or species of concern.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. b. Implementing practices that retain wildlife and plant habitat on land exiting the Conservation	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

Reserve Program (CRP) or other set-aside program?	
6. c. Implementing practices benefitting honey bee populations or other pollinators?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. d. Implementing land-based practices that improve habitat for aquatic wildlife?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Plant and Animal Communities: Will the proposed project improve plant and animal communities by: (select all that apply)	
7. a. Implementing practices that result in the management control of noxious or invasive plant species on non-cropland?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
7. b. Implementing practice in an Integrated Pest Management Plan (IPM)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Energy Conservation– Will the proposed project reduce energy use by: (select all that apply)	
8. a. Reducing on-farm energy consumption?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
8. b. Implementing practice(s) identified in an approved AgEMP or energy audit, which meet ASABE S612 criteria?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Business Lines – Will the practices to be scheduled in the “EQIP Plan of Operations” result in:	
9. a. Enhancement of existing conservation practice(s) or conservation systems already in place at the time the application is received?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

### State Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
Priority Focal Areas: Autauga WMA, Blue Spring WMA, Geneva WMA, Hollins WMA, Coosa WMA, Conecuh National Forest. Priority focal area questions are mutually exclusive.	
1. Does the offered acreage adjoin a priority focal area? 200 points.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. Is the offered acreage within a ½ mile of a priority focal Area? 175 points.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. Is the offered acreage within 1 mile of a priority focal Area? 150 points.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. Is the offered acreage within 2 miles of Focal Area? 50 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Thinning history questions are mutually exclusive.	
5. Has 10+% of tract (or at least 100 acres) been thinned within the last 2 years? 100 points.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. Has 10+% of tract (or at least 100 acres) been thinned within the last 5 years? 30 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Burning history questions are mutually exclusive.	
7. Has 10+% of tract (or at least 100 acres) been burned within the last 2 years? 100 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
8. Has 10+% of tract (or at least 100 acres) been burned within the last 5 years? 30 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

### Local Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
Land use percentage questions. Pine Timber land use questions are mutually exclusive.	
1. Is the offered acreage 1%-24% Pine Timber ( majority of the ground cover is native) 30 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. Is the offered acreage 24%-49% Pine Timber ( majority of the ground cover is native) 40 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. Is the offered acreage 50%-74% Pine Timber ( majority of the ground cover is native) 50 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. Is the offered acreage 75%-100% Pine Timber ( majority of the ground cover is native) 60 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Land use percentage questions. Row crop land use questions are mutually exclusive.	
5. Is the offered acreage 1%-24% Row Crop? 40 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. Is the offered acreage 24%-49% Row Crop? 35 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
7. Is the offered acreage 50%-74% Row Crop? 30 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
8. Is the offered acreage 75%-100% Row Crop? 20 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Land use percentage questions. Upland hardwoods land use questions are mutually exclusive.	
9. Is the offered acreage 1%-24% Upland Hardwoods 35 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
10. Is the offered acreage 24%-49% Upland Hardwoods 30 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
11. Is the offered acreage 50%-74% Upland Hardwoods 25 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

12. Is the offered acreage 75%-100% Upland Hardwoods 20 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Land use percentage questions. Exotic Grass Pasture land use questions are mutually exclusive ((Bermuda, bahia, fescue, johnsongrass, dallisgrass, etc).	
13. Is the offered acreage 1%-24% Exotic Grass Pasture 5 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
14. Is the offered acreage 24%-49% Exotic Grass Pasture 5 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
15. Is the offered acreage 50%-74% Exotic Grass Pasture 0 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
16. Is the offered acreage 75%-100% Exotic Grass Pasture 0 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Land use percentage questions. Bottomland hardwoods land use questions are mutually exclusive.	
17. Is the offered acreage 1%-24% Bottomland Hardwoods 5 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
18. Is the offered acreage 24%-49% Bottomland Hardwoods 5 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
19. Is the offered acreage 50%-74% Bottomland Hardwoods 0 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
20. Is the offered acreage 75%-100% Bottomland Hardwoods 0 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Practice Benefits Index Questions (Choose up to 3 practices that are to be implemented).	
21. 338 Prescribed burning during growing season 45 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
22. 666 Forest Stand Improvement, pine thinning below 50 BA 45 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
23. 338 Prescribed burning during winter ? 25 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
24. 666 Forest Stand Improvement create patch openings? 25 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
25. 666 Forest Stand Improvement thinning below 60 BA ? 25 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
26. 314 Brush Management (any scenario)? 20 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
27. Any other 666 practices not mentioned above? 20 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
28. 315 Herbaceous Weed Control Exotic Forage Grass Removal ? 20 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
29. Any native grass establishment (327,393, and 386)? 20 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
30. 647 Early Successional Habitat Management Disking? 20 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
31. 315 Herbaceous Weed Control Chemical Ground ? 15 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
32. Any of the pollinator planting?(422,327,386) 15 points	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
33. 422 Hedgerow Wildlife Planting? 15 points	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:  <b>Final Ranking Score:</b>
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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:**

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

**Signature Date:**

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