

Watershed Plan and Assessment - Proposal Evaluation Criteria Matrix

Tier 1 - Evaluation Filter

Used Correct Format	(Y/N)
Limited Application to 5 Pages	(Y/N)
Submitted Budget Table	(Y/N)
Met Application Deadline	(Y/N)

Tier 2 - Evaluation Filter

Is it a Water Quality Issue?	(Y/N)
Is it a Nonpoint Source Eligible Proposal?	(Y/N)
Is Total Match 40% of Project Total?	(Y/N)

Tier 3 - Evaluation Criteria

Criteria for Each Proposal Section	Point Assignments	Points
Section 1.0 - Summary Page - All required fields addressed.	Maximum 10 points	10
Section 2.0 - Statement of Need - Need and local support for watershed plan clearly identified; watershed includes impaired segments; focused on TMDL implementation.	Maximum 20 points	20
Section 3.0 - Project Description - Process for completing and implementing a watershed-based plan outlined; EPA's Nine-Key Elements addressed; all required task items are identified and addressed: information & education, evaluation & monitoring, data management, and project administration.	Maximum 20 points if proposal description clearly addresses impaired segment	20
Section 4.0 - Coordination Plan - Sponsor and cooperators capable of implementing the project; roles and contributions are clear, including match accrual; local buy-in described; coordinated with other efforts in the area but not duplicative; project sustainability addressed.	Combined with section 7.0 for a maximum of 15 points	15
Section 5.0 - Evaluation and Monitoring - Template completed; strong evaluation approach; SAPP strategy well defined.	Maximum 15 points	15

Section 6.0 - Budget Table - Table completed, including the Timelines; minimum match identified; reasonable allocation of funds to tasks; unit costs identified.

Maximum 20 points

20

Section 7.0 - Public Involvement - Clear process to engage the public and the stakeholders in the water quality/nonpoint source efforts - public meetings, volunteer opportunities, website and social media, newspaper articles. Outreach to build support amongst stakeholders and decision makers for plan implementation.

Combined with section 4.0

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Total:

100