

(Attachment 2) Scoring Criteria for TWG Proposals

RESOURCE BENEFIT (30 points)

What are the expected benefits to Tribal fish and wildlife and their habitat, including species that are of cultural or traditional importance and species that are not hunted or fished if this program is successfully completed?

- a. Extent to which the project will reduce or restore losses to fish, wildlife, and plant species or their habitats.
- b. Extent to which the project will carry out research or monitoring needed to restore or manage fish, wildlife and plant species or their habitats.
- c. Extent to which the project addresses a fish and wildlife resources priority identified by a Tribe or other entity in a management or recovery plan.
- d. Duration for which the project protects or manages a fish and wildlife resource priority.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES (20 points)

To what extent does the proposal provide obtainable and quantifiable performance measures and a means to monitor, evaluate, and report on these measures compared to an initial baseline? The measures should be specific, clear and provide demonstrable benefits to the target species of the action and support the goals of the TWG.

- a. Extent to which the project identifies a baseline and provides measurable post-project accomplishments.
- b. Extent to which the project produces measurable results for habitat and/or species.
- c. Extent to which the project implements high priority items and is part of a comprehensive management approach.

WORK PLAN (10 points)

Are the program activities and objectives well-designed and achievable?

- a. Extent to which the project tasks and work products are clearly established and support Tribal goals/objectives.
- b. Extent to which the project schedule is achievable
- c. Extent to which the proposal clearly defines and establishes accountability to the applicant.

BUDGET (10 points)

Are all major budget items justified in relation to the program objectives and clearly explained in the narrative description?

- a. Extent to which all parts of the Budget Narrative and Budget Tables are clear, concise, and complete.
- b. Extent to which the Budget Narrative and associated Budget Table(s) accurately reflect all costs, including indirect costs.
- c. Extent to which all in-kind matches are clearly defined, allowable, and adequately described.

CAPACITY BUILDING (25 points)

To what extent does the program increase the grantee's capacity to provide for the benefit of wildlife and their habitat?

- a. Extent to which the project contributes to Tribal self-sufficiency in fish and wildlife resource management.
- b. Extent to which the project results in identifiable benefits toward development or updating of a management plan(s).
- c. Extent to which the project results in the creation or improvement of Tribal wildlife ordinances and/or enforcement.
- d. Extent to which the project improves fish and wildlife management capabilities through infrastructure development and training.

CONTRIBUTIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS (5 points)

To what extent does the applicant display commitment to the project through in-kind contributions or matching funds and to what extent does it involve other non-federal partners?

- a. Extent to which the project clearly builds partnership alliances with other Tribes, organizations, or agencies.
- b. Extent to which the project leverages technical support and/or financial resources provided through a partnership.