

**Stewardship Council Enhancement Concept  
Application Scoring Rubric**

<b>Evaluation Criteria</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Available Points</b>	<b>Exemplary</b>	<b>Adequate</b>	<b>Minimal</b>	<b>Does Not Meet Criteria</b>
Enhancement of one or more BPVs	The degree to which tangible results will improve or protect habitat, recreation, forest, historic, agricultural, or open space values (BPVs)	40	Large measurable improvement to BPVs in proportion to request	Improvement to BPVs proportional to grant request	Limited improvement to BPVs	No improvement to BPVs
		Score	30-40	20-30	10-20	0-10
Feasibility	Likelihood of success based on project design and readiness, including budget, timeline, and reg/permitting requirements	20	Clear plan with proven strategy to support implementation; Realistic budget	Adequate plan likely to succeed; Adequate budget	Plan is vague and has limited strategies; Budget is problematic	Plan is unclear or unlikely to succeed; Budget is unrealistic
		Score	15-20	10-15	5-10	0-5
Fulfills needs	Degree to which tangible outcomes meet needs to improve Property and public access; has support from public and stakeholders	20	Large measurable impact on documented needs; strong partners with shared responsibility	Significant impact to meet needs; strong partner support	Project likely to have limited impact with minimal connection to needs; Some partners identified	Unlikely to have impact to meet needs ; no partners identified
		Score	15-20	10-15	5-10	0-5
Leverages additional funding and resources	Relative Value of project to cost, amount of match proposed (\$ and/or resources), buy-in from community	10	Grant leveraged greater than 100% by other funds and resources	Grant leveraged greater than 30% by other funds and resources	Grant leveraged greater than 10% by other funds and resources	Grant leveraged less than 10% by other funds and resources
		Score	7-10	4-6	2-3	0-1
Capacity and ability of applicant	Degree of mission alignment, relative size of budget, experience, partners or contractors, and ability to maintain project long term	10	Proven experience and demonstrated resources indicate certain success	Experience and resources make success likely	Limited experience and resources make success uncertain	Lacks experience and resources to complete project
		Score	7-10	4-6	2-3	0-1
<b>SubTotal</b>		<b>100</b>				
Additional points for youth involvement	Degree of youth involvement and opportunity to develop leadership skills	up to 10	Youth plan and lead implementation	Youth have substantial implementation involvement	Some youth involvement	No youth involvement
		Score	7-10	4-6	2-3	0-1

Geographic distribution of project grants is an additional unscored consideration when finalizing grant awards