

Ranking Pool: FY 2022 NJ WRE Ranking Pool

Program: ACEP-WRE States: NJ (Admin) **Pool Status:** Draft

Template: FY 2021 ACEP-WRE General

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Land Uses

Land Use	Modifier 1	Modifier 2	Modifier 3	Modifier 4	Modifier 5	Modifier 6
Crop						
Forest						
Pasture						
Water						
Other Rural Land						
Associated Ag Land						

Resource Concern Categories

Categories			
Category	Min %	Default %	Max %
Aquatic habitat	10	10	80
Degraded plant condition	0	10	70
Long term protection of land	10	35	80
Source water depletion	0	10	70
Terrestrial habitat	10	30	80
Weather resilience	0	5	20

Aquatic habitat			
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Aquatic habitat for fish and other organisms	50	100	100

Degraded plant condition			
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Plant productivity and health	0	50	100

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Degraded plant condition			
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Plant structure and composition	0	50	100

Long term protection of land				
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %	
Loss of functions and values	85	95	100	
Threat of conversion	0	5	15	

Source water depletion				
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %	
Groundwater depletion	25	40	60	
Surface water depletion	40	60	75	

Terrestrial habitat			
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Terrestrial habitat for wildlife and invertebrates	100	100	100

Weather resilience				
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %	
Naturally available moisture use	0	10	25	
Ponding and flooding	0	45	100	
Seasonal high water table	0	35	100	
Seeps	0	10	25	

Practices

Practice	Practice Code	Practice Type
Brush Management	314	Р
Clearing and Snagging	326	Р
Conservation Cover	327	Р
Prescribed Burning	338	Р
Critical Area Planting	342	Р
Well Decommissioning	351	Р
Fence	382	Р
Woody Residue Treatment	384	Р
Riparian Herbaceous Cover	390	Р
Riparian Forest Buffer	391	Р

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Practice	Practice Code	Practice Type
Long-Term Protection of Land - 30-Year Contract	LTP30YC	L
Long-Term Protection of Land - 30-Year Easement	LTP30YE	L
Long-Term Protection of Land - Maximum Duration Allowed by State Law	LTPMAS	L
Long-Term Protection of Land - Permanent Easement	LTPPE	L

Ranking Weights

Factors	Algorithm	Allowable Min	Default	Allowable Max
Vulnerabilities	Default	10	20	50
Planned Practice Effects	Default	5	20	20
Resource Priorities	Default	20	30	70
Program Priorities	Default	15	30	30
Efficiencies	Default	0	0	0

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An asterisk will be displayed to show that it is a conditional section or conditional question.

Survey: Applicability Questions

Section: Applicability Question			
Question Answer Choices Points			
Is this application for WRE in New Jersey?	YES		
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Survey: Category Questions

Section: Categories			
Question Answer Choices Points			
Is this application for General or Bog Turtle?	General WRE		
	Bog Turtle WRE		

Survey: Program Questions

Section: Program Questions		
Question	Answer Choices	Points

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Question	Answer Choices	Points	
	Under \$1,000 per acre (includes previously restored wetlands)	40	
What is the restoration cost per acre? The restoration cost is based on	\$1,000 to \$2,000	30	
all of the area that will be restored, both wetland and buffer.	\$2,000 to \$3,000	10	
	Over \$3,000	0	
Are there other financial contributions to the acquisition identified by ar	Partners or landowner(s) are contributing funds and/or in-kind services to the restoration or acquisition	5	
application proposal letter?	The project is part of a larger easement acquisition project	5	
	No other financial contributions to the project	0	
	Over 90% of the site	30	
	80-90%	25	
What percentage of the total aggregate site will be rectored?	70-80%	20	
What percentage of the total easement site will be restored?	60-70%	15	
	Over 50% of the site	10	
	50% of the site or less (with a waiver)	0	
	Over 75% cropland acres	40	
	Over 75% pasture acres	30	
What is the percentage of land use composition of the proposed	Over 75% woodland acres	5	
easement?	Over 50% cropland acres, but less than 75%	20	
	Over 50% pasture acres, but less than 75%	15	
	None of the above	0	
Are there on-farm and off-farm environmental threats if the land is	YES	10	
used for the production of agricultural commodities?	NO	0	
	Minimal management of hydrology or vegetation will be needed to maintain desired conditions after wetland is established (e.g. "walk-away" wetland; includes wetlands with drain plugs)	40	
Cost-effectiveness of restoration	Infrequent control of undesirable plants or animals	20	
	Occasional Structural management/maintenance needed to maintain desired conditions (e.g. repair of water control structures)	10	
	Intensive management/maintenance needed (e.g. yearly control of undesirable plants or animals)	0	
Does restoration require any regulatory permits?	YES	0	
2000 Tooloration require any regulatory permits:	NO	10	

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Section: Program Questions		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Engineering Requirements	No engineering required beyond existing field office approval authority	25
	Some engineering required (earth moving only)	10
	Complex engineering required for one or more structures	0
Project pre-screening program feasibility	Does the landowner have an existing lien on the property, but the lien holder has consented to signing the subordination agreement (AD-1158)?	-25
	Is the parcel non-contiguous (e.g. divided by power-line easements, utility easements, access easements, roads, rivers/tidelands) or has other boundary configuration limitations that will reduce monitoring feasibility in perpetuity?	-10
	None of the above	0

Survey: Resource Questions

Question	Answer Choices	Points
What is the connectivity to permanently protected sites?	Project is immediately adjacent to an existing or proposed WRP/WRE easement	25
	Project is within 1/4 mile of an existing or proposed WRP/WRE easement	15
	Project is within a 1/4 mile of a permanently protected area providing wildlife habitat (such as a wildlife management area or natural area refuge)	10
	Project is adjacent to permanently preserved land through FRPP/ALE	5
	None of the above	0
	Very poorly drained	35
	Poorly drained	
	Somewhat poorly drained	10
What is the predominate soil drainage class within the restoration area?	Moderately well drained	5
	Well drained	0
	Somewhat excessively well drained	0
	Excessively well drained	0
	Greater than 75 acres	30
Proposed easement area (restoration area + buffer area = easement	40 to 75 acres	20
area)	15 to 40 acres	10
	Less than 15 acres	0

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Section: WRE Resource Questions			
Question Answer Choices Points			
Depth to seasonal high water table (predominant soil within the restoration area)	0"-6"	35	
	7"-12"	20	
	12"-18"	10	
	greater than 18"	5	

Section: General Special Considerations*			
Question	Answer Choices	Points	
Does the project enhance long-term protection of previously restored wetlands that were not fully protected by an easement or similar protection?	YES	25	
	NO	0	
Site includes species identified by the Endangered/Threatened Layer AND will benefit those species	Federal T&E and Candidate	50	
	State T&E	20	
	State Species of Special Concern	5	
	None of the above	0	

Question	Answer Choices	Points
	None	10
Impact of Erosion/Sedimentation, including impacts from agricultural runoff	Moderate	5
	High	0
Severity of Existing/Historic Hydrologic Alterations: (ditching	None	10
culverts/channel straightening, floodplain connection lost, pond	Moderate/Few	5
excavation, outfalls from culverts, berms, impoundments, etc.)	Extreme/Many	0
	Low	15
Successional Vegetative Changes (amount and difficulty of treatment)	Medium	5
	High	0
	Low	15
Exotic Species Presence (amount and difficulty of treatment)	Medium	5
	High	0
	Less than or equal to 5 years	25
	Greater than 5 but less than or equal to 25	15
What is the age of the active site? (based on date of last observation -	Greater than 25 years	10
USFWS will provide based on SOA data)	There are no observations from this site, but it is adjacent to an extant site or between extant sites.	5
	None of the above	0

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Section: Bog Turtle Special Considerations*			
Question	Answer Choices	Points	
NRCS standardized bog turtle site prioritization assessment (provided by NJDEP-ENSP)	Good	25	
	Fair	10	
	Poor	5	

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