



Ranking Pool Report

Ranking Pool: WA ACEP ALE General Program Agreements

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Land Uses

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

Resource Concern Categories

Categories			
Category	Min %	Default %	Max %
Concentrated erosion	0	5	30
Degraded plant condition	0	5	50
Field pesticide loss	0	5	20
Field sediment, nutrient and pathogen loss	0	5	50
Livestock production limitation	0	5	50
Long term protection of land	40	45	75
Pest pressure	0	5	20
Salt losses to water	0	5	20
Soil quality limitations	0	5	50
Source water depletion	0	5	40
Storage and handling of pollutants	0	5	40
Wind and water erosion	0	5	40

Concentrated erosion

Resouce Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Bank erosion from streams, shorelines or water conveyance channels	0	20	100
Classic gully erosion	0	40	100
Ephemeral gully erosion	0	40	100

Degraded plant condition

Resouce Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Plant productivity and health	0	50	100
Plant structure and composition	0	50	100

Field pesticide loss

Resouce Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Pesticides transported to groundwater	0	50	100
Pesticides transported to surface water	0	50	100

Field sediment, nutrient and pathogen loss

Resouce Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Nutrients transported to groundwater	0	20	100
Nutrients transported to surface water	0	20	100
Pathogens and chemicals from manure, biosolids or compost applications transported to groundwater	0	20	100
Pathogens and chemicals from manure, biosolids or compost applications transported to surface water	0	20	100
Sediment transported to surface water	0	20	100

Livestock production limitation

Resouce Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Feed and forage balance	0	40	100
Inadequate livestock shelter	0	15	100
Inadequate livestock water quantity, quality and distribution	0	45	100

Long term protection of land

Resouce Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Threat of conversion	100	100	100

Pest pressure

Resouce Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Plant pest pressure	0	100	100

Salt losses to water

Resouce Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Salts transported to groundwater	0	50	100
Salts transported to surface water	0	50	100

Soil quality limitations

Resouce Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Aggregate instability	0	15	100
Compaction	0	15	100
Concentration of salts or other chemicals	0	15	100
Organic matter depletion	0	20	100
Soil organism habitat loss or degradation	0	20	100
Subsidence	0	15	100

Source water depletion

Resouce Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Groundwater depletion	0	35	100
Inefficient irrigation water use	0	35	100
Surface water depletion	0	30	100

Storage and handling of pollutants

Resouce Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Nutrients transported to groundwater	0	20	100
Nutrients transported to surface water	0	20	100
Pesticides transported to surface water	0	20	100
Petroleum, heavy metals and other pollutants transported to groundwater	0	20	100
Petroleum, heavy metals and other pollutants transported to surface water	0	20	100

Wind and water erosion

Resouce Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Sheet and rill erosion	0	50	100
Wind erosion	0	50	100

Practices


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

Practice	Practice Code	Practice Type
Acquisition Process - Environmental Database Records Search	LTAPERS	L
Acquisition Process - Environmental Database Records Search Update	LTAPERSU	L
Acquisition Process - Appraisal Technical Review First Review	LTAPTR1	L
Acquisition Process - Appraisal Technical Review Second Review	LTAPTR2	L

Ranking Component Weights

Category	Algorithm	Allowable Min	Default	Allowable Max
Vulnerabilities	Default	5	15	20
Planned Practice Effects	Default	5	5	10
Resource Priorities	Default	35	40	50
Program Priorities	Default	40	40	50
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	Answer Choices	Points
Is the application parcel PLU located in the State of WA?	Is the application parcel PLU located in the State of WA?	--
	Otherwise	--

Survey: Category Questions

Section: Category		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Is the application parcel PLU located in the State of WA?	Is the application parcel PLU located in the State of WA?	--
	Otherwise	--

Survey: Program Questions

Section: Program ACEP ALE General		
Question	Answer Choices	Points

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Question	Answer Choices	Points
Percent of prime, unique, and important soils in the parcel to be protected.	Property has 50% or less	0
	Property has >50 to 60%	20
	Property has >60 to 70%	25
	Property has >70 to 80%	30
	Property has >80%	35
Percent of cropland, pastureland, grassland, and rangeland in the parcel to be protected.	Property has 33% or less	0
	Property has >33 to < 40%	4
	Property has >40 to < 50%	8
	Property has >50%	15
Ratio of the total acres of land in the parcel to be protected to average farm size in the county according to the most recent USDA Census of Agriculture.	Ratio of 1.0 or less	0
	Ratio > 1.0 to <2.0	7
	Ratio > 2.0	15
Decrease in the percentage of acreage of farm and ranch land in the county in which the parcel is located between the last two USDA Censuses of Agriculture (USDA - NASS - Census of Agriculture).	Decrease of 0% or less	0
	Decrease of >0 and <5%.	1
	Decrease of >5 and <10%.	5
	Decrease of >10 and <15%.	9
	Decreases >15%.	15
Decrease in the percentage of acreage of permanent grassland, pasture, and rangeland, other than cropland and woodland pasture, in the county in which the parcel is located between the last two USDA Censuses of Agriculture (USDA - NASS - Census of Agriculture).	Decrease of 0% or less.	0
	Decrease of >0 and <5%.	3
	Decrease of >5 and <10%.	5
	Decrease of >10 and <15%.	8
	Decreases >15%.	15
Existence of a farm or ranch succession plan or similar plan established to address farm viability for future generations.	No Plan	0
	Plan	2
	Plan documented and prepared by industry professional.	5
Proximity of the parcel to other agricultural operations and agricultural infrastructure.	Easement Offer Area (EOA) boundary greater than 3 miles in proximity.	0
	EOA is greater than or equal to 1 mile but less than 3 miles in proximity.	3
	EOA is within 1 mile in proximity.	5
	EOA boundary adjoins.	10

Section: Program ACEP ALE General

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Parcel ability to maximize the protection of contiguous or proximal acres devoted to agricultural use.	Parcel increases a protected agricultural use area.	0
	Parcel is a contiguous or proximal expansion of agricultural use protected area.	6
	Parcel links two non-continuous corridors of protected agricultural use.	15
Percent of population growth in the county as documented by the most recent United States Census (http://www.census.gov/).	Growth rate of less than one times the State growth rate.	0
	Growth rate of greater than one and less than or equal to two times the State growth rate.	4
	Growth rate of two and less than or equal to three times the State growth rate.	7
	Growth rate of more than three times the State growth rate.	15
Population density (population per square mile) as documented by the most recent United States Census (http://www.census.gov/).	Population density less than one times the State population density.	0
	Population density of greater than one and less than or equal to two times the State population density.	4
	Population density of greater than two and less than or equal to three times the State population density.	7
	Population density of greater than three times the State population density.	15
Proximity of the parcel to other protected land, such as compatible military installations; land owned in fee title by the United States or an Indian Tribe, State or local government, or by a nongovernmental organization whose purpose is to protect agricultural use and related conservation values; or land that is already subject to an easement or deed restriction that limits the conversion of the land to nonagricultural use or protects grazing uses and related conservation values.	Easement Offer Area (EAO) boundary greater than 3 miles from the protected land boundary.	0
	EOA is greater than 1 mile but less than 3 miles from protected land.	4
	EOA is within 1 mile of protected land boundary.	7
	EOA boundary adjoins protected land boundary.	15
Currently enrolled in CRP in a contract that is set to expire within a year and is grassland that would benefit from protection under a long-term easement or is land under a CRP contract that is in transition to a covered farmer or rancher.	Yes	5
	No	0
The parcel is a grassland of special environmental significance that will benefit from the protection under the long-term easement.	Yes	10
	No	0
Percent of the fair market value of the agricultural land easement that the eligible entity contributes from its own cash resources for payment of easement compensation to the landowner and comes from sources other than the landowner.	25%	15
	12.5 to less than 25%.	5
	Less than 12.5%.	0

Survey: Resource Questions

Section: Resource ACEP-ALE-General		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
WA- Does the parcel have prime, unique, statewide, or locally important farmland in the parcel to be protected above 75% of the total offered acres?	75% and above.	40
	51 to equal to or less than 74%.	15
WA - Eligible entity has demonstrated performance in managing and enforcing easements by monitoring 80 percent or more of its easements each year.	Yes.	25
	No.	0
WA - Project is partially or wholly within the boundaries Washington source water protection area for NRCS programs.	Yes.	20
	No.	0
WA - A Federal or State listed or candidate Threatened or Endangered species located on, or within ¼ mile, of parcel to be protected. This includes USFWS & NMFS Designated Critical Habitat polygons for listed species.	Yes.	35
	No.	0
WA - Parcel is partially or wholly within an area zoned as agricultural use or open space.	Yes.	5
	No.	0
WA - Does one or more eligible landowner(s) meet the definition as a historically underserved group? (CPM 440.528.190) socially disadvantaged, limited resource landowners, beginning farmer or ranchers, or veteran landowners. (Documentation must be provided to receive these points).	Yes.	15
	No.	0
WA - Has there been recent significant capital investment(s) that enhances the long term agricultural viability of the parcel being offered for protection and the investment will be further protected by the conservation easement? (Documentation of investments must be provided in application to receive points).	Yes, investment within past 2 calendar years	15
	Yes, investment within past 3-5 calendar years	8
	Yes, investment within past 6-10 calendar years	4
WA - Protection of parcel will have long term social and economic benefits towards supporting access to local markets for small scale farms. (Documentation of farm sales within the past 2 calendar years to local markets must be provided in application to receive points).	Sales within 10 miles or less of parcel.	30
	Sales within 11-50 miles of parcel	20
	Sales within 50-150 miles of parcel	10
WA - Parcel contains historical or archaeological resources that will be protected by easement as described in 440.528.33 (Documentation must be provided to receive these points).	Yes.	5
	No.	0