



# Ranking Pool Report

**Ranking Pool:** FY'24 OR RCPP-ALE (Active)

**Program:** RCPP-ALE

**Pool Status:** Active

**States:** OR (Admin)

**Template:** FY'2023 RCPP-ALE

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## Land Uses and Modifiers

Land Use	Grazed	Wildlife	Irrigated	Hayed	Drained	Organic	Water Feature	Protected	Urban	Aquaculture
Crop	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Forest	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	--	--	--	--	--
Range	--	--	N/A	--	N/A	--	--	--	--	--
Pasture	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Farmstead	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	--	--	--	--	--
Developed Land	N/A	--	--	N/A	N/A	--	--	--	--	--
Water	N/A	--	N/A	N/A	N/A	--	--	--	--	--
Other Rural Land	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	--	--	--	--	--
Associated Ag Land	--	--	--	--	N/A	--	--	--	--	--

## 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

Resource 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

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

## Field pesticide loss

Resource 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

Resource 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

Resource 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

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

## Pest pressure

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

## Salt losses to water

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

## Soil quality limitations

Resource 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

Resource 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

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Nutrients transported to groundwater	0	25	100
Nutrients transported to surface water	0	25	100
Petroleum, heavy metals and other pollutants transported to groundwater	0	25	100
Petroleum, heavy metals and other pollutants transported to surface water	0	25	100

## Wind and water erosion

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

## Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Type
Acquisition Process - Environmental Database Records Search	LTAPERS	Easements
Acquisition Process - Ingress Egress	LTAPIE	Easements
Acquisition Process - Appraisal Technical Review First Review	LTAPTR1	Easements

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Type
Acquisition Process - Appraisal Technical Review Second Review	LTAPTR2	Easements
Long-Term Protection of Land - Maximum Duration Allowed by State Law	LTPMAS	Easements
Long-Term Protection of Land - Permanent Easement	LTPPE	Easements

## Ranking Weights

Factors	Algorithm	Allowable Min	Default	Allowable Max
Vulnerabilities	Default	5	5	20
Planned Practice Effects	Default	5	5	10
Resource Priorities	Default	35	40	50
Program Priorities	Default	40	50	50
Efficiencies	Default	0	0	0

## Display Group: OR. FY'23 1552 - Conservation of Soil Health in Wallowa Co. (Active)

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

## Survey: Applicability Questions

Section: Is this application located in Wallowa 1552		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Is this application located in Wallowa 1552	YES	--
	NO	--

## Survey: Category Questions

Section: Does the land offered for enrollment qualify for at least one land eligibility category?		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Does the land offered for enrollment qualify for at least one land eligibility category?	YES	--
	NO	--

## Survey: Program Questions

Section: National ranking criteria		
Question	Answer Choices	Points

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Question	Answer Choices	Points
Percent of prime, unique, and important farmland 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, rangeland, grassland, historic grassland, pastureland, or nonindustrial private forest land in 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 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
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
Percent population growth in the county as documented by the U.S. Census. (Census Bureau Home Page)	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

**Section: National ranking criteria**

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Population density (population per square mile) as documented by the most recent U.S. Census. (Census Bureau Home Page)	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
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
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
Land is currently enrolled in CRP in a contract that is set to expire within 1 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 pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 3835(f)	YES	5
	NO	0
Land is grassland of special environmental significance that would benefit from protection under a long-term easement.	YES	10
	NO	0
Percent of the fair market value of the agricultural land easement that is the eligible entity's 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: State Developed questions.**

Question	Answer Choices	Points
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

## Section: State Developed questions.

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Eligible entity has demonstrated performance in managing and enforcing easements by monitoring 95 percent or more of its easements each year.	YES	25
	NO	0
A Federal or State listed or candidate Threatened or Endangered species located on, or within quarter mile, of parcel to be protected. This includes USFWS or NMFS Designated Critical Habitat polygons for listed species.	YES	35
	NO	0
Parcel is partially or wholly within an area zoned as agricultural use or open space.	YES	5
	NO	0
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 land	YES	15
	NO	0
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
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
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	10
	NO	0
Project is partially or wholly within the boundaries Oregon source water protection area for NRCS programs.	YES	30
	NO	10