

Agricultural Land Easement – Grassland of Special Environmental Significance (ACEP-ALE-GSS) Supplemental Ranking Worksheet – FY 2020

Ranking Factors and Items	Points	Score
A) Priority for Conservation– Plant Community (weighted average if multiple apply, by percent)		
1) Sandhills, Dry Prairie, Wet Prairie, Scrub, Cutthroat Seep	20	
2) Scrubby Flatwoods, High Pine, Marl Prairie	10	
3) Freshwater Marshes, Wet Flatwoods, Mesic Flatwoods	5	
4) For all other Plant Communities (e.g., improved pasture, pine stands without native understory, crop)	0	
B) Biodiversity – based on historic aerial photography, landowner accounts, soil interpretation, FSA		
1) No crop history on 100 % of application area and has a mixed stand of native herbaceous understory	25	
2) No crop history on 75 - 99 % of application area and has a mixed stand of native herbaceous understory	20	
3) No crop history on 50 - 74 % of application area and has a mixed stand of native herbaceous understory	15	
4) No crop history on 25 - 49 % of application area and has a mixed stand of native herbaceous understory	10	
5) No crop history on 10-24 % of application area and has a mixed stand of native herbaceous understory	5	
C) Florida Exotic Pest Plant Council Category I invasive plant cover observed		
1) 0-2% by ocular estimate	15	
2) >2-10% by ocular estimate	5	
3) >10% by ocular estimate	0	
D) Preservation of Imperiled Plants		
1) Offer contains one or more federally-listed plant populations that will be viable with scheduled management and landowner objectives. Determination based on the size of population and planned conservation practices for the specific location.	10	
2) Offer contains one or more state-listed plant populations that will be viable with scheduled management and landowner objectives. Determination based on size of population and planned conservation practices for the specific location.	5	
F) Enter Points in to ACEP-ALE Worksheet for GSS.	Total Possible Points	
	75	