

ATTACHMENT I: WATER POLLUTION CONTROL REVOLVING FUND PRIORITY SCORING MODEL

Water Quality Improvement Criteria	Points
Project addresses a water quality impairment identified in the 303(d) list or a groundwater standard that has been exceeded.	40
Project will implement an approved TMDL (total maximum daily load):	(points not additive, and scored only in one category)
• 1 TMDL.	50
• 2 TMDLs.	75
• 3 or more TMDLs.	80
Project applies BMPs to mitigate against erosion, sedimentation, pollution runoff including:	
• Creation of riparian buffers, floodplains, vegetated buffers, slope stabilization, and additional stream restoration methods.	10
• Supports wetland protection, restoration or creation by means of constructed wetlands.	10
Project corrects individual sewage disposal systems or exfiltration for sewers shown to be polluting either surface or groundwater and mitigates a public health emergency and/or a confirmed repeated contamination of a supply source by E. coli, fecal coliform or nitrate above established standards.	50
Financial/Affordability Criteria*	Points
Median Household Income (MHI) of service area:	
• <50% of state MHI	35
• From 50% to 80% of state MHI.	20
• From 81% to 100% of state MHI.	5
• >100% of state MHI.	0
User Fees (current sewer rate per tap compared to MHI):	
• Rates are > 1.18%.	
• Rates from 0.88% to 1.18%.	45
• Rates are <0.88%	25
OR	0

User Fees for a combined water & sewer fund (combined rates per tap compared to MHI)

- Rates are > 2.99% 45
 - Rates from 2.14% to 2.99%. 25
 - Rates are <2.14%. 0
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Financial/Affordability Criteria Continued

Points

Sewer debt per tap compared to MHV:

- Debt is > 0.77%. 45
- Debt from 0.20% to 0.77%. 25
- Rates are <0.20%. 0

OR

Water & sewer debt (for combined systems) per tap compared to MHV:

- Debt is > 1.65%. 45
 - Debt from 0.67% to 1.65%. 25
 - Debt is <0.67%. 0
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Population served criteria:

- <500. 35
- From 500 to 999. 25
- From 1,000 to 1,999. 20
- From 2,000 to 4,999. 15
- From 5,000 to 10,000. 5
- >10,000. 0

Assessed Value/Household

- Assessed Value per household is < \$11,959. 35
- Assessed Value per household from \$11,959 to \$24,963. 20
- Assessed Value per household from \$24,963 to \$43,240. 10
- Assessed Value per household > \$43,240. 0

*Financial/Affordability Criteria is based on the most current available DAC benchmarks.

Permit Compliance

Points

	(points are not additive, scored only in one category)
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Project is designed to maintain permit compliance or meet new permit effluent limits	40
Project addresses a facility's voluntary efforts to resolve a possible violation and will mitigate the issuance of a consent order or other enforcement action.	25
Project addresses an enforcement action by a regulatory agency and the facility is currently in significant non-compliance.	15

Sustainability/Resiliency/Green Project Reserve (GPR)	Points
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Project incorporates one or several of the following planning methodologies:	
• Regionalization and consolidation. • Promoting sustainable utilities and/or communities through: - o Fix it first. - o Asset management planning. - o Full cost pricing. - o Life cycle cost analysis. - o Evaluation of innovative alternatives to traditional solutions. • Conservation easements and/or land-use restrictions.	5 (for one or more)

Sustainability / Resiliency/ Green Project Reserve Continued	Points (points are only scored based on an approved GPR proposal)
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Project incorporates Green Project Reserve Components at a minimum of 20% of total project costs:	
• Green infrastructure. • Water efficiency. • Environmentally innovative. • Energy efficiency.	10 10 5 5

- Project is categorically eligible for the GPR and does NOT require a business case (bonus points). 5

Readiness to Proceed	Points
Project has secured the following:	5
• Plans and specifications approved.	
Project implements one or more of the following planning instruments:	
• Watershed management plan. • Source water protection plan. • Nonpoint source management plan. • Approved 305(b) Report Category 4b designation. • Nutrient management plan. • Comprehensive land use planning.	5 (for one or more)
Project has funding secured by multiple financial assistance provider(s)	10

ATTACHMENT II: APPLICATION OF ADDITIONAL SUBSIDIZATION

Additional Subsidization	
Additional Subsidy Points (Affordability Score + Water Quality Improvement Score)	Maximum Percent of Loan Principal as Principal Forgiveness*
≥ 175 points	80% principal forgiveness
150 - 175 points	60% principal forgiveness
100 - 149 points	40% principal forgiveness
<100 points	20% principal forgiveness

*No one project can receive more than 50% of the total amount of funds that have been allocated for additional subsidization for that fiscal year. For example, if Colorado has allocated \$2 million for FY2024 to be provided as additional subsidization, no project can receive more than \$1 million in principal forgiveness. This additional subsidy is in addition to design/engineering grants. The authority board may review and adjust the maximum percent of loan principal forgiveness if needed to meet program financial requirements. This attachment applies to WPCRF base program funding; application of additional subsidization of BIL funding is addressed in Attachment V. This does not apply to BIL funding.