**Land and Water Conservation Fund**

**Evaluation Criteria: Rating Form**

Applicant:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Project: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Rater: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Evaluate based on information solely provided in the application. If the applicant does not address the topic, allot zero points. If addressed marginally, allot between zero and the maximum for that category. There are 100 possible points.

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| 1. | **Proximity and accessibility to the public.** *Is project adjacent to or connected by trail to other public facilities or areas? Is it within walking distance of expected users? Or conveniently reached by public transportation or other means appropriate for the site? Or is access to the site limited or inconvenient for the service population? Allot up to 5 points.* |  |
| 2. | **How many of the six age groups shown below will be served?** *Youngsters age 1-5; Children 6-11; Youth ages 12-18; Young Adults 19-30; Adults 31-60; Elders 61+ Allot 1 point if 1 or 2 age groups will be served. Allot 3 points if 3 or 4 age groups will be served. Allot 5 points if more than 4 groups.* |  |
| 3. | **How many special population groups will be served?** *(i.e., low income, minority, or disabled)* *Allot 1 point if 1 special population group will be served. Allot 2 points if 2 groups will be served. Allot 5 points if 3 or more groups will be served.* |  |
| 4. | **Innovative Features, Creative Design, and Beneficial Partnerships.** *Will the project incorporate energy efficient components or other innovative features to reduce operation and maintenance costs? Does the design offer a creative solution to any problem? Has a funding partner contributed at least 25% of the applicant’s share in support of the project?* *Allot up to 10 points.* |  |
| 5. | **Positive Environmental Impacts.** *If the project will reclaim a landfill or transform other brown sites into green spaces for public outdoor recreation, allot up to 10 points.* |  |
| 6. | **Is the project type (i.e., trail or facility upgrade, improved access to rec area, ADA accessibility) identified as a priority in the Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP)?** *If project type is identified as a High Priority, allot 20 points. If Moderate Priority, 15 points.* *If not identified in SCORP, allot zero.* |  |
| 7. | **Measure the demonstrated local need and support for the project.** 1. **Local Plan:** *If project is**identified as a major community need or high priority in a local plan, allot up to 10 points. If unclear identification, allot between 0-10 points.*
2. **Public Participation:** *If applicant solicited wide public input and received favorable public support for the project, allot 10 points. If public input opportunities were minimal or public support was mixed, allot between 0-10.*
3. **Operation and Maintenance Capability:** *If applicant describes reasonable budget, staff, or plan for O & M on this project, allot up to 5 points.*
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| 8. | **Site Suitability.** *DPOR will calculate and provide results.**Will site provide recreational opportunities commensurate with the funding requested?* *If 40% or less of budget will be used for site preparation, allot 5 points.* *If more than 40% of budget will be used for site preparation, allot 2 points.* *If more than 40% will be used for site preparation, and feasible alternate sites exist, allot 0 points.*  |  |
| 9. | **Per Capita Share.** *DPOR will calculate and provide results. Calculation is based on the total previous amounts of LWCF investment a community has received in relation to population.* *If applicant has previously received…**More than 30% above per capita share, allot 0 points.* *Between 30% above and 30% below per capita share, allot 5.**More than 30% below per capita share, allot 10 points.* |  |
| 10. | **Acquisition Projects Only.** *If severe consequences would result from failure to act (i.e., natural resource is removed from public access or there is imminent threat of irretrievable loss of resource with no feasible alternative), allot up to 5 points.*  |  |
|  | **Total Points**  |  |