



Oregon Department of Environmental Quality

# 2026 Section 319 Nonpoint Source Implementation Grant

## Section D: Proposal Scoring Form

Nonpoint Source projects must support efforts to protect and restore waters of the state from sources of nonpoint source pollution. All selected NPS projects must address a Watershed Based Plan priority.

NPS project proposals that meet eligibility criteria above will be evaluated within the following areas:

**Table 1. Key considerations**

	Key Questions to Consider	Strengths	Concerns
<b>Proposal Clarity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• How will project implement a clearly defined and appropriate method to address the problem?</li><li>• Does application have clearly stated objectives and describe how these objectives will be met?</li><li>• Is project ready to be implemented and/or has a reasonable implementation timeline?</li></ul>		
<b>Technical Soundness</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• How does project protect and/or restore waters of the state from sources of nonpoint source pollution?</li><li>• Does the project address TMDL, source water protection, GWMA effort or protect outstanding resource waters or unlisted waterbodies?</li><li>• How will project address sources of NPS pollution rather than the symptoms?</li><li>• How will the project achieve measurable results?</li><li>• How does the project address an identified WBP priority?</li><li>• </li></ul>		
<b>Applicant</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Does the applicant have the organizational capacity to implement the proposed project?</li><li>• Is the applicant qualified to implement the project and/or has experience with similar work?</li><li>• Will appropriate partners be engaged in the project and are partner roles clearly explained?</li></ul>		
<b>Cost Effectiveness</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Do the costs align with work necessary to accomplish the project?</li><li>• Does budget meet minimum match requirements?</li></ul>		

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**Table 2. Evaluation criteria**

<b>Evaluation criteria based on strengths and concerns identified above</b>	<b>Somewhat (1 point)</b>	<b>Considerable (2 points)</b>	<b>Exceptional (3 points)</b>
<b>Criteria</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Addresses an identified DEQ WBP priority.</li> <li>• Defines environmental outcomes</li> <li>• Partners with appropriate interested parties</li> </ul>			
<b>Certainty of Success</b> Based on the organizational capacity of the applicant & the likelihood the project will achieve measurable results in a reasonable timeline			
<b>Benefit to Water Quality</b> Benefit to TMDLs, source water, GWMA's or protect outstanding resource waters or unlisted waterbodies			
<b>Subtotals</b>			

**Total score from Table 2:**

**Table 3. Final project recommendations**

<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Fund (y/n)</b>	<b>Ranking</b>	<b>Conditions</b>

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