



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

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Table 2. Evaluation criteria

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

Total score from Table 2:**Table 3. Final project recommendations**

Project Name	Fund (y/n)	Ranking	Conditions

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