REGIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE FUND APPLICATION
EVALUATION CRITERIA SCORING MATRIX

Each RS Team should complete only one Scoring Matrix per application within their region.

Applicant (Sec A):	**City of Hermiston**	Region Name:	**Greater Eastern**
Project Name (Sec D):	**North Hermiston Water Storage Expansion**	Min-Max Funds Requested (Qu 3): $ **224,000** to $ **224,000**	

Eligible projects receiving the highest ranking are those that address regional priorities, are ready to proceed immediately, technically and financially feasible, cost-efficient, not better suited for other state funding, have strong community support, and have project management capacity.

Scoring Key: N = Not Qualified, A = Acceptable, S = Strong, O = Outstanding

Detail	N	A	S	O
Sec A. The applicant is an eligible entity. *(Eligible entity is local government, e.g., city or county authority, entity organized under state statute or city or county charter, council of government, port, or public school. Note: Other entities may receive funds as a final beneficiary, but a local government sponsor must be the applicant. If not eligible, do not complete the remainder of the evaluation. RDO should immediately contact the applicant regarding reason for ineligibility. If deadline has not passed, they may submit a revised application.)*	○	●	○	○
Notes / Justification: The City of Hermiston is the applicant which is an acceptable entity.				
Pg 3. The project addresses one or more adopted Regional Solutions priorities.	○	○	○	●
Notes / Justification: The applicant chose 5 regional priorities which the team agreed upon. The team made a decision that 1 priority = A, 2-3 = S and more than 4 = O.				
Qu 1. The project is consistent with the Department's strategic plan priorities.	○	○	●	○
Notes / Justification: The applicant chose 3 strategic plan priorities and the team agreed upon 2 of those. The team made a decision that 1 priority = A, 2-3 = S and more than 4 = O.				

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Qu 2. The project helps meet the sustainable community objectives as noted in ORS 184.423(2).	○	●	○	○
Notes / Justification: The team made a decision that if any of the sustainable community objectives were selected and we agreed with them, the project would get an A.				
Sec E-F. The need for the project is clearly identified and it is clear how the project would address the identified need.	○	○	●	○
Notes / Justification: The need for the project is clear and understandable.				
Qu 4. The project has demonstrated community support and letters of support were included with the application.	○	○	○	●
Notes / Justification: The project has 3 letters of support with private sector companies supporting the project.				
Qu 6. The project results in the retention / creation of long-term jobs in the region directly impacted by the project, and/or the project removes impediments to job retention / creation in the same region. *(If the project advances to the Grant & Loan Review Committee, supplemental information may be requested for this section.)*	○	●	○	○
Notes / Justification: The project would create jobs and retain, however, the team is unable to verify if 1,411 jobs direct (non-construction) jobs would be created.				
Sec G / Qu 7 / Sec K. The project is ready to proceed and the entity has identified all applicable and required permits within the project schedule.	○	○	○	●
Notes / Justification: The project appears ready to proceed.				

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Sec H. The RIF is the best source of State of Oregon funding for the project.	○	●	○	○
Notes / Justification: This project could be funding by Business Oregon loan funds.				
Sec I. The entity has committed funding contributions from other public, private, or philanthropic resources, to help complete the project.	○	○	●	○
Notes / Justification: It appears that the applicant has committed funds through the city of Hermiston and Umatilla County.				
Qu 8-11. The project has a sustainable business plan and does not require or rely upon continuing subsidies from the Department for ongoing operations.	○	○	○	●
Comments: New water rate payers would provide ongoing operations and maintenance.				

Overall Evaluation			
Not Qualified	Acceptable	Strong	Outstanding
	4	**3**	**4**
Comments:			