

LANDOWNER INCENTIVE PROGRAM FY2010 RANKING CRITERIA WORKSHEET

PROJECT TITLE:

	CRITERIA	RANK
1	Project site protection status	
2	BioMap and Living Waters	
3	NHESP Priority Habitats <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	N/A
4	Degree of imperilment of the targeted species	
5	The number of at-risk species targeted	
6	Feasibility of project	
7	Appropriate scale to achieve conservation goals	
8	Juxtaposition	
9	Recreational activities open to public	
10	Previously funded project	
11	Partnerships and outreach	
12	Project budget	
13	Detailed project map	
14	Amount of Match	
	Total	

LIP RANKING CRITERIA (TOTAL 145 POINTS)

- 1) LIP Management Area's protection status (Conservation restriction or other permanent conservation status = **15** points; Chapter 61/61A or 61B = **10** points; other non-permanent including previous LIP covenant = **5** points; no protection = **0** points)
- 2) Project is within "core habitat or riparian areas" or the "supporting water shed or natural landscape" as designated by the Massachusetts BioMap and Living Waters projects (core or riparian = **5** pts; supporting natural landscape or critical supporting watershed = **2** pts; non-targeted habitat = **0** pts).
- 3) Project is a priority habitat identified by the Natural Heritage & Endangered Species Program. Check the box to determine if the project needs an Environmental Review.
- 4) Degree of imperilment of the targeted species benefiting from the habitat managed in the proposed LIP project. **Landowner MUST identify Species-at-risk as priority for habitat management** (Federally-listed = **10** points; state-listed = **8** points; other recognized species of conservation concern = **5** points; no status = **0** points)
- 5) The number of at-risk species targeted that would benefit by the habitat managed in the LIP project (>11 species = **10** points; 6-10 species = **5** points; 1-5 species = **2** points; none = **0** points)
- 6) Project is technically feasible and likely to achieve the management goals within the grant agreement period. (Project is technically feasible and can successfully be completed within the allotted grant agreement period = **15** points; project has potential limitations which may impact the chances for success or completion within the grant agreement period = **8** points; project has severe technical or social limitations which will reduce chances for success or project cannot be completed within the grant agreement period = **0** points)
- 7) *Project size*, more points awarded to appropriate scale or more complete projects (Appropriate scale = **10** points; partially appropriate: supports some species but not others = **5** points; not appropriate/insufficient = **0** points)
- 8) Intrinsic quality of project and its juxtaposition to other similar habitat patches (Similar or complementary habitat adjacent to the LIP project area = **15** points; no similar or complementary habitat adjacent to the LIP project area, but within the targeted specie/s home range scale = **10** points; no similar or complementary habitat within the targeted specie/s home range scale = **0** points)
- 9) Land is open to the public for recreational activities such as hiking, fishing, and hunting. (Area is open to recreational activities without restrictions = **10** points; area is open with landowner imposed restrictions = **5** points; area is closed = **0** points)
- 10) If previously funded, did prior project meet outlined management goals and have acceptable performance within the grant agreement period? (Yes = **5** points, No =

0 points) If previously funded, was the prior budget accurate and funds expended? (Yes, funds were expended = **5** points, No, funds were reverted = **0** points)

- 11) Has the landowner established partnerships with or conducted outreach to organizations or neighbors? (The landowner is getting organizations or other individuals involved or is using the project to get neighbors involved = **5** points; the landowner is not establishing partnerships = **0** points)
- 12) The proposed budget is detailed and itemized showing the cost and explanation of the work needed to be done to achieve project goals. (Detailed and itemized including quotes for contracted work = **10** points; satisfactory, but may require additional information such as quotes prior to approval = **5** points; insufficient information such as an incomplete or missing budget or does not have $\geq 25\%$ match = **0** points)
- 13) Application map is detailed showing the location of the parcel and identifies LIP management areas. (Detailed locus and LIP Management Areas = **10** points; satisfactory: able to determine the location of the project = **5** points; insufficient information: area not identified, confusing, or missing = **0** points)
- 14) Amount of Match: (75+ = **20** points; 50-74%= **10** points; 30-49%= **5** points; 26-29%= **1** points; 25%= **0** points)