

RATING SYSTEM for FY 21 LAND Grant Program Projects							
CATEGORY	Description						Max points
	DEMOGRAPHICS (45%)						
Median income	Figures obtained from MISER and put into rank order by DCS						1-13
Environmental Justice community	Determined by DCS						0 - 5
Population growth rate between 2000 to 2010	No growth/loss 0	0-3.9% 2	4-7.9% 4	8-11.9% 6	12-15.9% 8	≥16% 10	0 -10
Availability of open space	Percent of protected open space in project Census tract. Project located in project Census tract with less open space relative to other applications will receive more points.						0 - 7
Seasonal population	% seasonal increase in resident population: 0-9%    10-24%    25-49%    50% or more 0            1            3            4						0 - 4
SCORP – proximity to population	Land near home: population density of Census tract in which property is located (ppl/mile²). Project located in Census tract with high population density relative to other applications will receive more points.						0 - 4
Housing Choice Community	Applicant has been designated as a Housing Choice Community						2
	PROJECT QUALITY (55%)						
Landscape Conservation	Total acreage protected >100.0    50.0-99.9    25.0-49.9    10.0-24.9    Fewer than 10.0 6            5            4            3            2						13
	Proposed project abuts protected open space (50+ acres) or proposed project will serve as a potential catalyst for the conservation of 50+ adjacent acres. Yes – 2            No – 0						
	How significantly will the subject parcel's resource value be impacted if parcel is developed? Project will be ranked relative to other application received and rated accordingly. High Impact    Medium Impact    Low Impact 5            3            1						
Biodiversity and Resource Protection	Percentage of the project within NHESP BioMap2 Core Habitat and Critical Natural Landscape 100.0 -80.0%    79.9 – 60.0%    59.9 – 40.0%    39.9 -20.0%    19.9 – 1% 5            4            3            2            1						9
	The climate resilient value of the project location as defined by TNC's Resilient Site Map. Project will be ranked relative to other applications received and rated accordingly            1 - 4 points						
Recreational Opportunities	Number of goals, objectives, or action plan items in the OSRP that project advances: 5 or more items    2-4 items    1 or fewer items 2            1            0						12
	Recreational opportunities provided (these will be verified at the site visit).						
	Wilderness activities (camping, hunting, etc.) .....            Good    Marginal    None 						