

Evaluation Summary Memorandum
Application ID: 011
Project Name: Fisheries Assessment
Consensus Score: 204

Method used to reach Consensus: Average of Revised Scores following discussion.

Review Team Members: United States Fish and Wildlife Service (2) (USFWS), Massachusetts Executive Office of Environmental Affairs (EOEA) Department (1), and Woodlot Alternatives, Inc. (1)

Criteria Discussed:

- Criterion A4 (Magnitude of Ecological Benefits): One reviewer lowered score, reflecting uncertainty associated with the proposed work.
- Criterion A7 (Enhancement of Remediation/Response Actions): One reviewer lowered score, reflecting lack of discussion in the proposal regarding coordination with future remediation/response actions.
- Criterion B4 (Measurable Results): Reviewer commented that proposal should have discussed dissemination of study results.
- Criterion B5 (Contingency Actions): Three reviewers changed scores due to lack of discussion on contingency actions.
- Criterion C2 (Implementation-Oriented): One reviewer raised score, reflecting potential benefits associated with implementation of this proposal while acknowledging uncertainty associated with such benefits.
- Criterion C4 (Leveraging of Additional Resources): One reviewer lowered score, reflecting proposed matching fund ratio.
- Criterion C5 (Coordination and Integration). Two reviewers changed scores reflecting the lack of discussion of coordination and integration with other groups, such as Trout Unlimited.
- Criterion D3 (Community Involvement): Two reviewers lowered scores from reflecting the lack of discussion of community goals in this proposal. As with Criterion C5, proposal would have benefited from statement regarding coordination with groups such as Trout Unlimited.
- Criterion D5 (Complementary with Community Goals): One reviewer raised score, reflecting the apparent benefits to community goals associated with this project. Similar to previous comments, the proposal would have benefited from a stated objective to coordinate with other, ongoing activities, including the Eastern Brook Trout Conservation Initiative/National Fish Habitat Initiative.
- Criterion D6 (Public Outreach). One reviewer raised score reflecting community outreach associated with the flyer development proposed as part of this proposal.

Additional Review Team Comments:

- The review team suggests that the Trustees recommend increased public outreach as part of this proposal to enhance its long-term viability. Such work might include outreach to groups including Trout Unlimited, the Izaak Walton League of America, local fish and game clubs, and coordination with the National Fish Habitat Initiative.

Consensus Based Review Evaluation Summary

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A. RELEVANCE AND APPLICABILITY OF PROJECT					
1. Natural Recovery Period	9	9	9	9	9
2. Location of Project	15	15	15	15	15
3. Sustainable Benefits	9	15	15	9	12
4. Magnitude of Ecological Benefits	9	9	9	9	9
5. Human Health and Safety	10	10	10	10	10
6. Benefits to Multiple Restoration Categories	10	10	10	10	10
7. Enhancement of Remediation/Response Actions	0	3	3	0	1.5
Subtotal (max=85)	62	71	71	62	66.5

B. TECHNICAL MERIT					
1. Technical/Technological Feasibility	15	15	9	9	12
2. Technical Capacity of Applicant and Project Team	15	15	15	15	15
3. Potential for Adverse Environmental Impacts	10	10	6	10	9
4. Measurable Results	10	10	6	6	8
5. Contingency Actions	6	6	6	6	6
6. Administrative Capacity of Applicant and Project Team	5	5	5	5	5
Subtotal (max=65)	61	61	47	51	55

