

## Priority Rating System Score Sheet for Stormwater Construction Projects

Funded with the Local Assistance for Stormwater Infrastructure Investment (LASII) Grants

**Instructions for Applicant:** For each line item, place an **"X"** to claim the points for that line item. Be sure that the required narrative includes justification for every line item claimed. At the end of each category, provide the total points claimed for each program in the subtotal row for that category. Then add the subtotals from each category and enter the Total Points for All Categories in the last line. **Note that some categories have a maximum allowed points that may be less than the total of individual line items.**

Line Item #	Category 1 – Project Purpose Points will be awarded for <u>only one</u> Project Purpose: 1.A or 1.B or 1.C	Place "X" in this box if claimed	Points	Claimed Points
<b>1.A</b>	More than 50 percent of the construction cost of the project will be used to create new stormwater control measures (SCMs) or to improve, retrofit, repair, rehabilitate or replace existing SCM infrastructure to control stormwater quality			
1.A.1.	Proposed SCMs are nature-based solutions, <b>OR</b>	<b>X</b>	35	<b>35</b>
1.A.2.	Proposed SCMs are not nature-based solutions		25	
<b>1.B</b>	Restoration of streams, wetlands, buffers, or estuaries to control stormwater quality		25	
1.B.1.	Project includes restoration of a first order stream and includes stormwater infiltration SCMs		2	
1.B.2.	Project includes restoration of permanent riparian buffers to at least 30 feet on both sides of the stream		2	
<b>1.C</b>	More than 50 percent of the construction cost of the project will be used to create or improve, retrofit, repair, rehabilitate or replace existing stormwater infrastructure to control stormwater quantity		25	
	<b>Maximum Points for Category 1 – Project Purpose</b>		<b>35</b>	<b>35</b>
	<b>Subtotal claimed for Category 1 – Project Purpose</b>			<b>35</b>
Line Item #	Category 2 – Project Benefits	Place "X" in this box if claimed	Points	Claimed Points
<b>2.A</b>	Water Quality Improvement			
2.A.1	Project <u>directly benefits</u> subwatersheds that are impaired as noted on the most recent final version of the Integrated Report, <b>OR</b>	<b>X</b>	15	<b>15</b>
2.A.2	Project directly benefits specific classified waters, <b>OR</b>		10	
2.A.3	Achieves at least 35% reduction in both Total Nitrogen (TN) and Total Phosphorus (TP) in Nutrient Sensitive Waters, <b>OR</b>		10	
2.A.4	Achieves at least 35% reduction in both Total Nitrogen (TN) and Total Phosphorus (TP) in Non-Nutrient Sensitive Waters, <b>OR</b>		5	
2.A.5	Directly benefits a NC Natural Heritage Program natural area		3	

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<b>2.B</b>	Flood Reduction			
2.B.1	Increases public safety by improving the applicant's ability to access and operate critical infrastructure during flood events such as water and/or wastewater treatment infrastructure, schools, hospitals, and/or emergency response facilities, including NC Department of Transportation (NCDOT) Evacuation Routes, <b>OR</b>	X	15	15
2.B.2	Reduces structural flooding in habitable structures or improves ability to access habitable structures during a flood event, <b>OR</b>		8	
2.B.3	Reduces street flooding		5	
<b>2.C</b>	By working together, <u>two or more units of local government</u> improve stormwater quality and/or quantity control through collaborative efforts that are necessary in order to accomplish the project		10	
<b>2.D</b>	Project has been identified through a local or regional resilience planning process that included a vulnerability assessment for future conditions and long-term strategies for addressing flooding, sea level rise, or other environmental changes	X	3	3
<b>2.E</b>	Includes an innovative stormwater project to address stormwater quality or stormwater quantity		5	
<b>2.F</b>	Includes a public education component such as signage describing the function of the stormwater quality or quantity infrastructure	X	1	1
<b>Maximum Points for Category 2 – Project Benefits</b>			<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>Subtotal claimed for Category 2 – Project Benefits</b>				<b>34</b>
<b>Line Item #</b>	<b>Category 3 – System Management</b>	<b>Place "X" in this box if claimed</b>	<b>Points</b>	<b>Claimed Points</b>
<b>3.A</b>	Local Planning			
3.A.1	Applicant has developed or is developing a local flood resiliency plan, watershed plan, stormwater management plan, stream restoration plan, or estuary restoration plan, and the proposed project is included in the plan, as of the date of application, <b>OR</b>	X	5	5
3.A.2	Applicant has implemented an Operation and Maintenance Plan for stormwater infrastructure which includes inspections, repairs, and maintenance, as of the date of application		3	
<b>3.B</b>	Applicant has a current Stormwater Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) that spans at least 5 years and proposed project is included in the CIP	X	2	2
<b>3.C</b>	Stormwater Utility			

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3.C.1	Applicant has established or is developing or implementing a Stormwater Utility with a Stormwater Enterprise Fund, <b>OR</b>	X	5	5
3.C.2	Applicant has established or is developing or implementing a Stormwater Management Program without a Stormwater Enterprise Fund		3	
	<b>Maximum Points for Category 3 – System Management</b>		10	<b>10</b>
	<b>Subtotal claimed for Category 3 – System Management</b>			<b>12</b>
<b>Line Item #</b>	<b>Category 4 – Affordability</b>	<b>Place “X” in this box if claimed</b>	<b>Points</b>	<b>Claimed Points</b>
<b>4.A</b>	Population			
4.A.1	Population is less than 10,000, <b>OR</b>		3	
4.A.2	Population is greater than or equal to 10,000 but less than 20,000		2	
<b>4.B</b>	Local Government Unit (LGU) Indicators			
4.B.1	1 out of 5 LGU indicators worse than state benchmark <b>OR</b>		4	
4.B.2	2 out of 5 LGU indicators worse than state benchmark <b>OR</b>		6	
4.B.3	3 out of 5 LGU indicators worse than state benchmark <b>OR</b>		8	
4.B.4	4 out of 5 LGU indicators worse than state benchmark <b>OR</b>		10	
4.B.5	5 out of 5 LGU indicators worse than state benchmark	X	12	<b>12</b>
<b>4.C</b>	Project benefits disadvantaged areas: 50 percent or more of the total project cost will benefit disadvantaged areas	X	10	<b>10</b>
	<b>Maximum Points for Category 4 – Affordability</b>		25	<b>22</b>
	<b>Subtotal claimed for Category 4 – Affordability</b>			<b>22</b>
<b>Total of Points for All Categories</b>				<b>97</b>