

**7076.0170 PROJECT RANKING.**

Subpart 1. **Process of ranking.** Upon completion of the commissioner's review of the proposals for acceptability, the agency shall rank the acceptable proposals in order of priority. Each project for which an acceptable proposal has been submitted must be awarded the number of priority points to which the project is entitled under subpart 2. The proposal with the highest number of priority points will be given the highest priority. All proposals will be given a ranking depending on the number of points awarded.

**Subp. 2. Priority points for project proposals.**

A. The agency must use the criteria in item B to determine the number of priority points to be awarded in the evaluation of each project proposal. Each project shall receive a whole number from zero to ten under each of the following criteria, depending on how well the project satisfies each criteria. The number of points awarded under each of the criteria assigned by the agency must be added together to determine the project's total point value. This total number must be used to determine the project's overall ranking and priority.

B. The criteria for the project proposals are as follows:

(1) the extent to which the project proposal clearly identifies water quality concerns, goals, and objectives;

(2) the extent to which the proposed project demonstrates a high potential for project success based on participation, coordination, and cooperation between local units of government, public agencies, and other local stakeholders within the project area;

(3) the extent to which the proposed project activities are technically feasible relative to the cost of the project; and

(4) the extent to which the proposed project activities will lead to protection, enhancement, or restoration of the water of concern.

Subp. 3. [Repealed, 37 SR 1334]

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