

2023 NH Conservation Districts Climate Resilience Grant Ranking Matrix

Applicant Scoring, Total Possible Points= 100*

Please Note: Only \$15,000 can be awarded to energy projects per district

	Exemplary (10 Points)	Adequate/Needs Improvement (5 Points)	Missing (0 Points)	Score	Comments
Project Focus	Project has significant focus on climate change mitigation and/or adaptation	Project has some focus on climate change mitigation and/or adaptation	Projects has no focus on climate change mitigation/and or adaptation	(Multiply X2 for projects that focus on mitigation)	
Implementation Plan	Project has a strong implementation plan (clearly defines what is to be done, how it will be done, who will do it, and when it will be done).	Project has some components of a strong implementation plan	Project has no components of a strong implementation plan		
Project Sustainability	Project has a strong plan to ensure sustainability of project	Project has some components of a plan to ensure the sustainability of project	Project has no components of a plan to ensure the sustainability of project		
Project track record	Project has a proven track record of success	Project has some components with a track record of success	Project has no components with a track record of success		
Willingness to Partner	Applicant has a demonstrated commitment/willingness for farm	Applicant has expressed some interest in farm education/research/sh	Applicant has expressed no interest in farm education/research/s		

	education/research/sharing project story with conservation districts	aring project story with conservation districts	haring project story with conservation districts		
Budget	Applicant has created a realistic and well-researched budget (i.e., has researched multiple quotes, supply costs, etc.)	Applicant has created a budget, although only some components of it are realistic, may not seem thoroughly researched.	Applicant has created a budget, no components of it are realistic, or thoroughly researched		
Timeline	Project can realistically be completed within project timeframe	Applicant has created a timeline, although only some components of the project can be completed within the project timeframe.	Project cannot be completed within project timeframe		
Technical Advisor	Strong collaboration on project planning and implementation	Project has limited assistance from advisor	No advisor identified		
TOTAL SCORE (* add 10 points if historically underserved*):					

***Add 10 points to ranking if the applicant self-identifies as historically underserved (USDA Definition: https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/national/people/outreach/slbfr/?cid=nrcsdev11_001040, includes limited resource farmer/rancher, beginning, socially disadvantaged, veteran)**