



Ranking Pool Report

Ranking FY23 WY ACEP-ALE General (Program Agreements) Big Game Conservation

Program: ACEP

Pool Status: Active

States: WY (Admin)

Template: ACEP-ALE General (Program Agreements)

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Land Uses and Modifiers

Land Use	Grazed	Wildlife	Irrigated	Hayed	Drained	Organic	Water Feature	Protected	Urban	Aquaculture
Associated Ag Land	--	--	--	--	N/A	--	--	--	--	--
Crop	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Developed Land	N/A	--	--	N/A	N/A	--	--	--	--	--
Farmstead	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	--	--	--	--	--
Forest	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	--	--	--	--	--
Other Rural Land	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	--	--	--	--	--
Pasture	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Range	--	--	N/A	--	N/A	--	--	--	--	--
Water	N/A	--	N/A	N/A	N/A	--	--	--	--	--

Resource Concern Categories

Categories			
Category	Min %	Default %	Max %
Concentrated erosion	0	5	30
Degraded plant condition	0	5	50
Field pesticide loss	0	5	20
Field sediment, nutrient and pathogen loss	0	5	50
Livestock production limitation	0	5	50
Long term protection of land	40	45	75
Pest pressure	0	5	20
Salt losses to water	0	5	20
Soil quality limitations	0	5	50
Source water depletion	0	5	40

Categories

Category	Min %	Default %	Max %
Storage and handling of pollutants	0	5	40
Wind and water erosion	0	5	40

Concentrated erosion

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Bank erosion from streams, shorelines or water conveyance channels	0	20	100
Classic gully erosion	0	40	100
Ephemeral gully erosion	0	40	100

Degraded plant condition

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Plant productivity and health	0	50	100
Plant structure and composition	0	50	100

Field pesticide loss

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Pesticides transported to groundwater	0	50	100
Pesticides transported to surface water	0	50	100

Field sediment, nutrient and pathogen loss

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Nutrients transported to groundwater	0	20	100
Nutrients transported to surface water	0	20	100
Pathogens and chemicals from manure, biosolids or compost applications transported to groundwater	0	20	100
Pathogens and chemicals from manure, biosolids or compost applications transported to surface water	0	20	100
Sediment transported to surface water	0	20	100

Livestock production limitation

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Feed and forage balance	0	40	100
Inadequate livestock shelter	0	15	100
Inadequate livestock water quantity, quality and distribution	0	45	100

Long term protection of land

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
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Long term protection of land

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Threat of conversion	100	100	100

Pest pressure

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Plant pest pressure	0	100	100

Salt losses to water

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Salts transported to groundwater	0	50	100
Salts transported to surface water	0	50	100

Soil quality limitations

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Aggregate instability	0	15	100
Compaction	0	15	100
Concentration of salts or other chemicals	0	15	100
Organic matter depletion	0	20	100
Soil organism habitat loss or degradation	0	20	100
Subsidence	0	15	100

Source water depletion

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Groundwater depletion	0	35	100
Inefficient irrigation water use	0	35	100
Surface water depletion	0	30	100

Storage and handling of pollutants

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Nutrients transported to groundwater	0	25	100
Nutrients transported to surface water	0	25	100
Petroleum, heavy metals and other pollutants transported to groundwater	0	25	100
Petroleum, heavy metals and other pollutants transported to surface water	0	25	100

Wind and water erosion

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Sheet and rill erosion	0	20	100

Wind and water erosion

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Wind erosion	0	80	100


Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Type
Acquisition Process - Buy-Protect-Sell Transfer	LTAPBPST	Easements
Acquisition Process - Environmental Database Records Search	LTAPERS	Easements
Acquisition Process - Environmental Database Records Search Update	LTAPERSU	Easements
Acquisition Process - Ingress Egress	LTAPIE	Easements
Acquisition Process - Appraisal Technical Review First Review	LTAPTR1	Easements
Acquisition Process - Appraisal Technical Review Second Review	LTAPTR2	Easements
Long-Term Protection of Land - Maximum Duration Allowed by State Law	LTPMAS	Easements
Long-Term Protection of Land - Permanent Easement	LTPPE	Easements

Ranking Weights

Factors	Algorithm	Allowable Min	Default	Allowable Max
Vulnerabilities	Default	5	15	20
Planned Practice Effects	Default	5	5	10
Resource Priorities	Default	35	40	50
Program Priorities	Default	40	40	50
Efficiencies	Default	0	0	0

Display Group: FY23 ACEP ALE (General Program Agreement) Big Game Conservation (Active)

 An asterisk will be displayed to show that it is a conditional section or conditional question.

Survey: Applicability Questions

Section: ACEP-ALE General (Program Agreements) - Aplicability Question		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Is 50% or more of this proposed easement within the state of Wyoming?	Yes	--
	No	--

Survey: Category Questions

Section: ACEP-ALE General (Program Agreements) - Category Question

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Is 50% or more of this proposed easement in the state of Wyoming?	Yes	--
	No	--

Survey: Program Questions

Section: ACEP-ALE General (Program Agreements) - Program Questions

Question	Answer Choices	Points
What percent of prime, unique, and important farmland soils in the parcel will be protected?	0%-50%	0
	51%-60%	4
	61%-70%	8
	71%-80%	12
	81%-100%	15
Percent of cropland, rangeland, grassland, historic grassland, pastureland, or nonindustrial private forest land in parcel to be protected.	0-33%	0
	34%-40%	4
	41%-50	8
	51%-100%	15
Ratio of the total acres of land in the parcel to be protected to average farm size in the county according to the most recent USDA Census of Agriculture	Ratio: Less than 1	0
	Ratio: 1.0 - 2	7
	Ratio: 2.1 or Greater	13
Decrease in the percentage of acreage of farm and ranch land in the county in which the parcel is located between the last two USDA Censuses of Agriculture.	No Decrease	0
	Decrease of 0.1% - 5%	1
	Decrease of 5.1% - 10%	5
	Decrease of 10.1% - 15%	9
	Decrease of 15.1% and Greater	14
Decrease in the percentage of acreage of permanent grassland, pasture, and rangeland, other than cropland and woodland pasture, in the county in which the parcel is located between the last two USDA Censuses of Agriculture	No Decrease	0
	Decrease of 0.1% - 5%	3
	Decrease of 5.1% - 10%	5
	Decrease of 10.1% - 15%	8
	Decrease of 15.1% or Greater	13
Percent population growth in the county as documented by the U.S. Census.	Growth Rate of Less than 1 times the State Growth Rate	0
	Growth Rate of 1 and less than 2 times the State Growth Rate	4
	Growth Rate of 2 and less than 3 times the State Growth Rate	7
	Growth Rate of 3 or more times the State Growth Rate	13

Section: ACEP-ALE General (Program Agreements) - Program Questions

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Population density (population per square mile) as documented by the most recent U.S. Census.	Population Density Less than 1 times the State Population Density	0
	Population Density of 1 and Less than or Equal to 2 times the State Population Density	4
	Population Density of Greater than 2 and Less than or Equal to 3 times the State Population Density	7
	Population Density of Greater than 3 times the State Population Density	13
Existence of a farm or ranch succession plan or similar plan established to address agricultural viability for future generations.	No Plan	0
	A Plan	7
	A Plan Documented and Performed by an Industry Professional	13
Proximity of the parcel to other protected land, such as compatible military installations; land owned in fee title by the United States or an Indian Tribe, State or local government, or by a nongovernmental organization whose purpose is to protect agricultural use and related conservation values; or land that is already subject to an easement or deed restriction that limits the conversion of the land to nonagricultural use or protects grazing uses and related conservation values.	Parcel boundary is 3 miles or more from the other protected land boundary	0
	Parcel boundary is greater than 1 mile but less than 3 miles from the other protected land boundary	4
	Parcel boundary is within 1 mile of the other protected land boundary	7
	Parcel boundary adjoins other protected land boundary	13
Proximity of the parcel to other agricultural operations and agricultural infrastructure	Parcel boundary is 3 miles or more in proximity to other ag operation and ag infrastructure	0
	Parcel boundary is greater than 1 mile but less than 3 miles in proximity to other ag operation and ag infrastructure	4
	Parcel boundary is within 1 mile in proximity to other ag operation and ag infrastructure	7
	Parcel boundary adjoins other ag operation and ag infrastructure	13
Parcel ability to maximize the protection of contiguous or proximal acres devoted to agricultural use.	The parcel links two noncontiguous corridors of protected ag use	13
	The parcel is a contiguous or proximal expansion of a protected ag use area	6
	The parcel does not increase a protected ag use area	0
Is the land currently enrolled in CRP in a contract that is set to expire within one year and is grassland that would benefit from protection under a long-term easement?	Yes	13
	No	0
Percent of the fair market value of the agricultural land easement that comes from the entity or other sources (not the landowner)	25% or Less comes from the Entity or Other Non-Landowner source	0
	26% - 50% comes from the Entity or Other Non-Landowner source	4
	51% - 75% comes from the Entity or Other Non-Landowner source	7
	More than 75% comes from the Entity or Other Non-Landowner source	13
NA in Wyoming: Land is grassland of special environmental significance that would benefit from protection under a long-term easement.	Not Applicable	0

Section: ACEP-ALE General (Program Agreements) - Program Questions

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Project is located within Wyoming's Big Game Priority Area?	Yes	13
	No	0
Project is located within the 2022 grassland CRP national priority zone?	YES	13
	NO	0

Survey: Resource Questions

Section: ACEP-ALE General (Program Agreements) - Resource Questions

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Is the parcel located in an area zoned for Agricultural use?	Yes	5
	No	0
Eligible entity has demonstrated performance in managing and enforcing easements by monitoring 80% or more of its easements each year	Yes	15
	No	0
Is there currently a management plan that addresses one or more resource concerns identified on the offered acres or for any expired CRP acres?	YES	5
	NO	0
Is the parcel located within a Wyoming Game and Fish Designated crucial habitat priority area?	Yes	5
	No	0
Offered acres include a diversity of habitat types. Habitat types will be based on WY SWAP (Terrestrial Habitat Types) WGFD SWAP web link	8-11 Habitat Types	15
	5-7 Habitat Types	10
	2-4 Habitat Types	7
	0-1 Habitat Types	2
Enrollment of parcel will provide diversity of natural resource protections and/or improvements	5 or more resource protections or improvements	20
	3 or 4 resource protections or improvements	15
	1 or 2 resource protections or improvements	5
Proximity to Sage-grouse Core or Connectivity Areas	Greater than 50% of offered acres are located in a Core Area or an identified Connectivity Area	20
	25% to 50% of offered acres are located in a Core Area or an identified Connectivity Area	15
	Less than 25% of offered acres are located in a Core Area or an identified Connectivity Area	10
	Offered acres are not located in Core or Current Range	0
Is there a planned or plotted subdivision or an area divided into 40 acre allotments within 5 miles of the offered acres?	Plotted subdivision	30
	40 acre allotments	20
	Planned subdivision	25
	No subdivision threat listed above within 5 miles	0

Section: ACEP-ALE General (Program Agreements) - Resource Questions

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Offered acres are adjacent to protected land. Project must share a border to be considered adjacent. (i.e., Perpetual Easements, Federal, or State owned lands)	Adjacent to perpetual easement or USFWS Refuge	25
	Adjacent to other Federal lands or State owned lands	15
	Not Adjacent to any protected lands	0
Are the offered acres within the predicted distribution or Section 7 habitat of a listed species? (reference IRMA report)	Federally listed T and E species	20
	Federally listed candidate species	10
	The parcel is not within the predicted distribution or Section 7 habitat of a listed species	0
Parcel contains historical or archaeological resources that will be protected by easement area.	Yes	10
	No	0
Does the project protect Aspen and/or Mountain Shrub habitat?	YES	10
	NO	0
Does the project protect sagebrush habitat?	YES	10
	NO	0
Does the project protect wet meadow areas?	YES	10
	NO	0