

Ranking Pool Report

Ranking Pool FY 2026 NY WRE
General

Program ACEP-WRE

Pool Status Active

Tags

Template ACEP-WRE

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Existing Practice Included No

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National Pool No

Include States NY (Admin)

Land Uses and Modifiers

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

Resource Concern Categories

Categories			
Category	Min %	Default %	Max %
Animals (Aquatic habitat)	10	10	80
Animals (Terrestrial habitat)	10	45	80
Long term protection of land	10	30	80
Plants (Degraded plant condition)	0	10	70
Water (Source water depletion)	0	5	70

Animals (Aquatic habitat)			
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Aquatic Habitat (Aquatic habitat for fish and other organisms)	50	65	100
Aquatic Habitat (Elevated water temperature)	0	35	50

Animals (Terrestrial habitat)			
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %

Animals (Terrestrial habitat)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Terrestrial Habitat (Terrestrial habitat for wildlife and invertebrates)	100	100	100

Long term protection of land

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Loss of functions and values	85	100	100
Threat of conversion	0	--	15

Plants (Degraded plant condition)

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

Water (Source water depletion)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water Quantity (Groundwater depletion)	25	50	60
Water Quantity (Surface water depletion)	40	50	75

Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
Brush Management	314	00N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Herbaceous Weed Treatment	315	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Conservation Cover	327	00N	Conservation Practices
Cover Crop	340	01N	Conservation Practices
Critical Area Planting	342	00N	Conservation Practices
Dike and Levee	356	00N	Conservation Practices
Fence	382	00N, 04N	Conservation Practices
Woody Residue Treatment	384	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Riparian Herbaceous Cover	390	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Riparian Forest Buffer	391	00N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Stream Habitat Improvement and Management	395	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices

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Aquatic Organism Passage	396	00N	Conservation Practices
Wildlife Habitat Planting	420	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Mulching	484	00N, 02N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Tree/Shrub Site Preparation	490	00N	Conservation Practices
Obstruction Removal	500	00N	Conservation Practices
Access Road	560	00N	Conservation Practices
Stream Crossing	578	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Streambank and Shoreline Protection	580	00N	Conservation Practices
Structure for Water Control	587	00N	Conservation Practices
Tree/Shrub Establishment	612	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Underground Outlet	620	00N	Conservation Practices
Restoration of Rare or Declining Natural Communities	643	00N, 01N, 02N	Conservation Practices
Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management	644	00N	Conservation Practices
Upland Wildlife Habitat Management	645	00N	Conservation Practices
Early Successional Habitat Development-Mgt	647	00N	Conservation Practices
Structures for Wildlife	649	00N	Conservation Practices
Wetland Restoration	657	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Wetland Creation	658	00N	Conservation Practices
Wetland Enhancement	659	00N	Conservation Practices
Forest Stand Improvement	666	00N	Conservation Practices
Acquisition Process - Appraisal	LTAPA	00N	Easements
Acquisition Process - Appraisal Update	LTAPAU	00N	Easements
Acquisition Process - Boundary Survey	LTAPBS	00N	Easements
Acquisition Process - Closing Services	LTAPCS	00N	Easements
Acquisition Process - Environmental Database Records Search	LTAPERS	00N	Easements
Acquisition Process - Full Phase I	LTAPFP1	00N	Easements
Acquisition Process - Ingress Egress	LTAPIE	00N	Easements
Acquisition Process - Appraisal Technical Review First Review	LTAPTR1	00N	Easements
Acquisition Process - Appraisal Technical Review Second Review	LTAPTR2	00N	Easements

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
Acquisition Process - Title Search	LTAPTS	00N	Easements
Long-Term Protection of Land - 30-Year Contract	LTP30YC	00N	Easements
Long-Term Protection of Land - 30-Year Easement	LTP30YE	00N	Easements
Long-Term Protection of Land - Permanent Easement	LTPPE	00N	Easements

Ranking Weights

Factors	Algorithm	Allowable Min	Default	Allowable Max
Vulnerabilities	Default	10	10	30
Planned Practice Effects	Default	5	5	10
Resource Priorities	Default	20	55	70
Program Priorities	Default	15	30	50
Efficiencies	Default	0	0	0

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

Survey: Applicability Questions

Section: Applicability Questions		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Is this a WRE application for either a Permanent, 30 Yr. Easement or 30 Yr. contract?	YES	--
	NO	--

Survey: Category Questions

Section: Category Questions		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
The site is located in New York State	YES	--
	NO	--

Survey: Program Questions

Section: Program Questions		
Question	Answer Choices	Points

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Question	Answer Choices	Points
Will the landowner include a buffer around the eligible area?	Vegetative buffer encompasses all sides of **eligible area and is greater than or equal to 150 feet providing habitat benefits and/or filtering of nutrient and soil runoff from adjacent crop lands.	30
	Vegetative buffer encompasses all sides of **eligible area and is greater than or equal to 35 feet and less than 150 feet, providing habitat benefits and/or filtering of nutrient and soil runoff from adjacent crop lands.	15
	Vegetative buffer encompasses all sides of **eligible area and is greater than or equal to 0 feet and less than 35 feet, providing habitat benefits and/or filtering of nutrient and soil runoff from adjacent crop lands.	0
Does the eligible land have an agricultural history or is enrolled in CRP and meets the required criteria?	Presently Cultivated Cropland	30
	Presently Used As Agricultural Land (grazing, haying etc.) or 95% is mowed and the cutting is left or it meets the definition of FW or FWP.	20
	Land Is enrolled CRP and meets one of two criteria: 1) currently enrolled in CRP in a contract that is set to expire within 1 year from the date of application 2) land under a CRP contract that is in transition to a covered farmer or rancher pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 3835(f) and such land is farmed wetland and adjoining land that has the highest wetland functions and values and is likely to return to production after the land leaves CRP	15
	Abandoned ag land less than 5 years	15
	Abandoned ag land equal to or greater than 5 years	7
Will the landowner or partner reduce the federal restoration cost through a cash or in-kind contribution?	Federal restoration costs reduced by greater than or equal to 25%	10
	Federal restoration costs reduced by greater than 10 % less than 25%	7
	There is no Federal restoration cost reduction	5
What type of permit is required?	(Covered by) Project will be implemented under Nationwide 27 or NY DEC General Permit.	30
	Site requires individual permit from either USACOE or NYSDEC	10
Duration of Easement	Permanent	10
	30 year or 30-year contract	5

Section: Program Questions

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Easement Boundary Configuration	Easement Boundary configuration consists of 6 or less corner pins or Easement Boundary configuration is delineated in part by features such as a stream or road that do not make the boundary overly complicated.	20
	Easement Boundary configuration consists of 7 to 10 corner pins	10
	Easement Boundary configuration consists of more than 10 corner pins	5
Cost Benefit assessment - Estimated Easement Restoration Cost	Easement restoration cost benefit (see easement calculator sheet) <2	20
	Easement restoration cost benefit (see easement calculator sheet) greater than 2 less than or equal to 4	15
	Easement restoration cost benefit (see easement calculator sheet) greater than 4	10
Cost Benefit assessment - Easement Purchase Price (GARC Cost/Acre)	Easement purchase cost benefit (see easement calculator sheet) < 3	20
	Easement purchase cost benefit (see easement calculator sheet) greater than 3 less than or equal to 6	15
	Easement purchase cost benefit (see easement calculator sheet) >6	10

Survey: Resource Questions

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Will the site protect Federally, or State listed T or E Species and/or Northeast Turtle Initiative Species?	Federally listed wetland dependent endangered or threatened species, or is adjacent property within 300 meters of an identified Bog Turtle site (and habitat exists on site)	65
	Northeast Turtle Initiative: Blandings, Wood or Spotted Turtle and/or NRCS designated target species (New England Cottontail or Golden-Winged Warbler)	55
	NY State listed endangered or threatened species or species of concern, or State listed natural communities	45
Will the site restore up to four wetland habitat types?	Habitat Diversity = 3 or 4 wetland types	30
	Habitat Diversity = 2 wetland types	20
	Habitat Diversity = 1 wetland types	10
What percentage of the eligible, hydric acres are restorable.	Easements Larger than 10 acres: 75-100 percent of the "Eligible - Restorable" wetland acreage (NY-WRE-2) suited to hydrology and topography restoration with planned practices.	35

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	Easements Larger than 10 acres: 50-74 percent of the "Eligible - Restorable" wetland acreage (NY-WRE-2) suited to hydrology and topography restoration with planned practices.	30
	Easements Larger than 10 acres: 25-49 percent of the "Eligible - Restorable" wetland acreage (NY-WRE-2) suited to hydrology and topography restoration with planned practices.	20
	Easements Larger than 10 acres: Less than 25 percent of the "Eligible - Restorable" wetland acreage (NY-WRE-2) suited to hydrology and topography restoration with planned practices.	10
	Easements Less than 10 acres: 75-100 percent of the "Eligible - Restorable" wetland acreage (NY-WRE-2) suited to hydrology and topography restoration with planned practices; AND at least one of the following: 1) easement restores habitat for a T and E Species, 2) easement is within one mile of a National Wildlife Refuge, State Wildlife Management Area with wetland habitat, or WRE easement, or 3) easement is contiguous with a permanently flooded wetland or a perennial stream that flows downstream to a permanently flooded wetland.	35
	Easements Less than 10 acres: 50-74 percent of the "Eligible - Restorable" wetland acreage (NY-WRE-2) suited to hydrology and topography restoration with planned practices; AND at least one of the following: 1) easement restores habitat for a T and E Species, 2) easement is within one mile of a National Wildlife Refuge, State Wildlife Management Area with wetland habitat, or WRE easement, or 3) easement is contiguous with a permanently flooded wetland or a perennial stream that flows downstream to a permanently flooded wetland.	30
	Easements Less than 10 acres: 25-49 percent of the "Eligible - Restorable" wetland acreage (NY-WRE-2) suited to hydrology and topography restoration with planned practices; AND at least one of the following: 1) easement restores habitat for a T and E Species, 2) easement is within one mile of a National Wildlife Refuge, State Wildlife Management Area with wetland habitat, or WRE easement, or 3) easement is contiguous with a permanently flooded wetland or a perennial stream that flows downstream to a permanently flooded wetland.	20

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	Easements Less than 10 acres: Easement is 5-10 acres and 50-100% of the "Eligible - Restorable" wetland acreage (NY-WRE-2) suited to hydrology and topography restoration with planned practices.	10
	Easements Less than 10 acres: Easement < 5 acres and 50-100% of the "Eligible - Restorable" wetland acreage (NY-WRE-2) suited to hydrology and topography restoration with planned practices.	5
	Other	0
What is the significance of the site relative to NYS designated priority areas or location factors?	Restoration site is within a North American Waterfowl Mgt. Plan focus area NY Ecoregions - 84a, 84c, 83a, 83b, 83c, 83d, 83e, 67k, 67j, 60d, 59g.	35
	Restoration site includes three (3) or more of the above Location Factors	25
	Restoration site includes one to two (1- 2) of the above Location Factors	10
What is the slope of the restorable land?	Less than or equal to 1%	20
	Greater than 1% less than or equal to 2%	15
	Greater than 2%	5
How many acres will be placed under a WRE easement (total includes match acres)?	Greater than 100 acres	20
	Greater than 50 acres less or equal to 100 acres	15
	Greater than 25 acres less or equal to 50 acres	10
	Greater than 10 acres less or equal to 25 acres	8
	Less than or equal to 10 acres	5
Has the land being offered for a WRE easement been previously restored under other restoration programs or a 30 yr WRP/WRE easement?	Land being offered for a permanent easement was previously restored under a WRP RCSA or EQIP Wetland Restoration	10
	Land being offered for a permanent easement was previously restored under a WRP 30 Year Easement	10
	Land being offered for a Permanent Easement was previously restored by another entity, such as USFWS Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program	10
	Land being offered for a 30 Year Easement was previously restored under a WRP RCSA or EQIP Wetland Restoration	2
	Land being offered has not been previously been restored under other restoration programs	0

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Benefit of including adjacent land	Inclusion of adjacent land will provide habitat for Federally listed threatened or endangered species	15
	Inclusion of adjacent land will benefit State listed threatened or endangered species or species of greatest conservation need.	13
	Inclusion of adjacent land will benefit one or more of the following: (1) Easement hydrology (2) Water quality - provides buffer between eligible wetland area and active crop fields or development (3) Habitat value of the proposed easement	10
	Adjacent acres result in a simpler, more manageable easement boundary	10
	Inclusion of adjacent land will benefit other targeted species	5
	There will not be adjacent land included.	0

Detailed Assessments

Name	Type	Jurisdiction	Status
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