

Ranking Pool Report

Ranking Pool HFRP FY 2026 MA

Program HFRP

Pool Status Active

Tags

Template HFRP November 2025 **Template Status** Active

Existing Practice Included No

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National Pool No

Include States MA (Admin)

Land Uses and Modifiers

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

Resource Concern Categories

Categories			
Category	Min %	Default %	Max %
Animals (Terrestrial habitat)	0	15	50
Long term protection of land	25	25	50
Plants (Degraded plant condition)	0	25	50
Plants (Fire management)	0	5	10
Plants (Pest pressure)	0	15	25
Soil (Concentrated erosion)	0	5	15
Soil (Soil quality limitations)	0	5	10
Water (Source water depletion)	0	5	15

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	95	100
Threat of conversion	0	5	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

Plants (Fire management)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Wildfire Hazard (Wildfire hazard from biomass accumulation)	100	100	100

Plants (Pest pressure)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Plant Health (Plant pest pressure)	100	100	100

Soil (Concentrated erosion)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Soil Erosion (Bank erosion from streams, shorelines or water conveyance channels)	100	100	100

Soil (Soil quality limitations)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Soil Health (Organic matter depletion)	0	50	100
Soil Health (Soil organism habitat loss or degradation)	0	50	100

Water (Source water depletion)

Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Water Quantity (Groundwater depletion)	0	40	100
Water Quantity (Surface water depletion)	0	60	100

Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Narratives	Practice Type
Brush Management	314	00N, 03N	Conservation Practices
Tree/Shrub Establishment	612	00N, 01N	Conservation Practices
Early Successional Habitat Development-Mgt	647	00N	Conservation Practices
Structures for Wildlife	649	00N	Conservation Practices
Acquisition Process - Appraisal	LTAPA	00N	Easements

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Acquisition Process - Appraisal Update	LTAPAU	00N	Easements
Acquisition Process - Baseline Report	LTAPBLR	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
Acquisition Process - Title Search	LTAPTS	00N	Easements
Long-Term Protection of Land - 10-Year Contract	LTP10YC	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 - Maximum Duration Allowed by State Law	LTPMAS	00N	Easements
Long-Term Protection of Land - Permanent Easement	LTPPE	00N	Easements

Ranking Weights

Factors	Algorithm	Allowable Min	Default	Allowable Max
Vulnerabilities	Default	5	10	20
Planned Practice Effects	Default	5	20	30
Resource Priorities	Default	15	30	40
Program Priorities	Default	20	40	50
Efficiencies	Default	0	0	0

Display Group: HFRP FY 2026 MA (Active)



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

Survey: Applicability Questions

Section: Applicability		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Is this application in the state of Massachusetts?	Massachusetts	--
	Otherwise	--

Survey: Category Questions

Section: Category		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Is this application for the long term protection of land through HFRP	YES	--
	NO	--

Survey: Program Questions

Section: Program Questions		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Estimated conservation benefit to habitat for threatened or endangered species listed in section 4 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA)	The application provides conservation benefit to habitat for T&E Species or endangered species	50
	The application does not provide any conservation benefit to habitat for T&E Species or endangered species	--
Estimated conservation benefit to habitat for species that are not listed as endangered or threatened in section 4 of the ESA but are candidates for such listing, state-listed species, or species identified by the Chief for special consideration for funding.	yes, the application provides conservation benefit to habitat for species that are not listed as endangered or threatened in section 4 but are candidates for such listing, state-listed species, or species identified by the Chief for special consideration for funding.	50
	no, the application does not provide conservation benefits.	--
Cost effectiveness of enrolling the land in restoration cost-sharing agreements, contracts, or easements. Applications that maximize environmental benefits per dollar will be ranked higher	yes, the application considers cost effective restoration as a benefit to the long -term protection of the land.	50
	no, the application does not have restoration as a component of the easement.	--
What is the habitat diversity of the offered area?	The proposed easement contains 1 habitat type	10
	The proposed easement contains 2 habitat types	20
	The proposed easement contains 3 or more habitat types	50

Survey: Resource Questions

Section: Resource Questions		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Are one or more of the assessed land units located in a Mass GIS Prime Forest Land Polygon?	yes, one or more land units are located in the Mass GIS prime forest land polygon	40
	Otherwise	0
Will the application improve biodiversity to the parcel through restoration?	yes - restoration = biodiversity improvement	40
	no restoration = no biodiversity improvement	--

Section: Resource Questions

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Will protection of the parcel provide a potential for increased carbon sequestration ?	yes, the parcel has potential to provide increased carbon sequestration through forest and grassland preservation	40
	no potential for increased carbon sequestration	0
Are non-federal funds contributing to the allocation of the easement?	yes, non-federal funds will contribute to allocation of the easement	40
	no non-federal funds will be provided to the easement	0
How many practices does this application include that improves the structure and composition, ecosystem function, and value of the forest?	2 or more	40
	1	20
	None	0

Detailed Assessments

Name	Type	Jurisdiction	Status
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