NEW MEXICO CWSRF REVISED PRIORITY SETTING SYSTEM
POINTS: 475 Max Possible (not including GPR bonus)

Groundwater Water Quality Improvement Factor*	150 possible	Surface Water Quality Improvement Factor*	150 possible
Project addresses an exceedance of one or more Human Health based ground water quality standards in an aquifer area that is: • Currently being used as a public or domestic water supply • Currently being used as an irrigation water supply • Likely to be used as a public, domestic or irrigation water supply in the foreseeable future • Project does not address a ground water quality problem	75 50 25 0	Project directly implements an approved or draft TMDL.	50
		Project directly addresses a water quality impairment identified in the 303(d) list or an NPDES effluent limit for which the facility has been shown to have the potential to exceed water quality standards.	50
Project corrects Individual Sewage Disposal Systems or sewage discharge shown to be polluting either surface or groundwater and addresses a public health emergency and/or a confirmed repeated contamination of a supply source by E. coli, fecal coliform, or nitrate above established standards.	50	Project enhances protection of one or more of the following designated beneficial uses of NM surface waters • Aquatic Life • Water Supply • Recreation • Religious and/or Ceremonial Purposes	25
Project addresses both the protection of surface water and groundwater resources.	25	Project incorporates one or more of the following: • Structural and/or non-structural stormwater BMPs • Water quality monitoring protocols designed to improve stormwater management • Inclusion of a non-point source project sponsorship component and/or addresses both protection of surface water and groundwater resources	25

*Points will be awarded to either Ground Water OR Surface water, whichever will yield the highest award.

Permit Compliance - Ground Water**	50 maximum	Permit Compliance – Surface Water**	50 maximum
Project addresses on-going violations of a ground water Discharge Permit or the WQCC Regulations for which NMED has issued a:		Project addresses an enforcement action by a regulatory agency and the facility is currently in significant non-compliance.	50
• Administrative Compliance Order	50	Project addresses a facility's voluntary efforts to resolve a possible violation and will mitigate the issuance of a Consent Order , Notice of Violation, or other enforcement action.	30
• Notice of Violation	30		
• Notice of Non-compliance	20		
• Project is undertaken voluntarily by entity, but will result in greater ground water protection	15	Project is designed to maintain permit compliance, meet new permit effluent limits, or provide a degree of treatment beyond permit requirements.	15
• Project does not address compliance issue	0	Project does not address compliance issue.	0
**Applicant may only receive points for permit compliance in one category. Points will be awarded to either Ground Water OR Surface water, whichever will yield the highest award.			

Financial/Affordability	100 possible
Choose one in each category:	
Per Capita Income (PCI) of service area	
• <60% of State PCI	30
• PCI <80% but >60% of State PCI	15
• PCI >80% but <95% of State PCI	5
• PCI>95% of State PCI	0
User Fees (household sewer rates/area PCI)	
• Rates are more than 2.82% of the service area's PCI	25
• Rates are between 1.82% and 2.82% of the service area's PCI	15
• Rates are less than 1.82% of the service area's PCI	5
Rate Structure	
• Block rates that increase over time by an ordinance currently in place	25
• Block Rates	15
• (FR) Flat Rate – Unlimited Use	0
Population Served	
• <2,000	20
• Between 2,000 and 10,000	10
• Between 10,000 and 50,000	5
• Over 50,000	0

Sustainability	75 possible

Project incorporates one or several of the following planning methodologies:
• Physical Regionalization & Consolidation
• Utility Management Plan that: (5 pts each)
  o Secures a replacement fund for the rehabilitation and replacement of aging and deteriorating infrastructure as needed
  o Provides sufficient revenue to meet O&M and capital needs
  o Demonstrates that the facility has maintained Licensed/Certified Operators and will continue to do so
  o Demonstrates adequate in-house staffing, long-term management contracts, or partnerships with third-party providers are in place to properly operate and maintain the facility
• Promoting sustainable utilities and/or communities through: (5 pts each)
  o Fix-it-First
  o Capital Improvement Plan
  o Full-cost pricing structure that budgets for infrastructure repair and replacement costs
  o Establishment of a watershed service funding structure
  o Water efficiency, reuse and conservation
• Mechanisms to protect infrastructure investments to ensure longevity and ongoing functionality of nonpoint source BMPs
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	20 (max this section)
	
	25 (max this section)
	
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Readiness to Proceed	**100 max possible**
A Preliminary Engineering Report, Feasibility Study, or Technical Design Memo has been **submitted** to CPB and the appropriate regulatory Bureau. • Preliminary Engineering Report, Feasibility Study, or Technical Design Memo has been **reviewed** by the appropriate regulatory Bureau and **approved** by CPB.	20 45
AND Environmental Information document has been submitted to CPB or Categorical Exclusion paperwork has been submitted to CPB to support a Cat Ex eligible project.	65
AND Technical plans and specifications have been **submitted** to CPB and the appropriate regulatory Bureau. • Technical plans and specifications have been **reviewed** by the appropriate regulatory Bureau and **approved** by CPB.	80 100

Green Project Reserve (bonus points)	25 possible
Project incorporates Green Project Reserve Components at minimum of 20% of total project costs: • Green Infrastructure (GI) • Water Efficiency (WE) • Environmentally Innovative • Energy Efficiency (EE)	25 for one or more eligible GPR categories