**Eastern Brook Trout Conservation Project Scoring Sheet**

**FY2018 Funding Cycle**

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| **Section** | **Score** |
| **I.** |  |
| **II.** |  |
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**Project Name:­­­­­­­­­­­­­**

**State: Region:**

**Applicant:**

**Total Project Score: Reviewer:**

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|  | **Yes** | **No** |
| **State Letter of Support** |  |  |
| **Photo Release Form** |  |  |

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| **I. partnerships and project leveraging** | **Total Section**  **Points = 20** | **Reviewer Score** |
| A. What is the ratio of partner contributions to the Project’s NFHAP funding request? 1.1–1.9:1 = 2  2:1 = 4  3:1 = 8    4:1 = 12  ≥5:1 = 15  Note: All projects must meet minimum match requirements (1:1) as described in the announcement.  **(Section I–G)** | **Maximum = 15** |  |
| B. Number of partner categories (state/federal government, NGO, university, watershed group, etc.) involved in the Project? 1 partner category = 0  2–4 partner categories = 3  >4 partner categories = 5  **(Section I–G)** | **Maximum = 5** |  |

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| **II. Project Methods/design** | **Total Section** **Points = 20** | **Reviewer Score** |
| A. Are the Project’s methods/design (Section I-C) adequate to meet the project goal (Section I-A), address the specific problem (Section I-E), and achieve the expected accomplishment (Section I-F)?  * Low confidence the project’s methods/design will meet the stated goal, address the specific problem, and achieve the expected outcomes = 0 * Moderate confidence the project’s methods/design will meet the stated goal, address the specific problem, and achieve the expected outcomes = 10 * High confidence the project’s methods/design will meet the stated goal, address the specific problem, and achieve the expected outcomes = 20   **(Section I–A to F)** | **Maximum = 20** |  |
| **III. conservation of sustainable populations** | **Total Section Points = 130** | **Reviewer Score** |
| A. Is the Project site located on public or private land? (Project site = footprint of the conservation action and does not include the surrounding areas upstream or downstream) Located on private land and there is no protection = 0    Located on private land and < 50% is protected in perpetuity = 3  Located on private land and ≥ 50% is protected in perpetuity = 7  Located on public land or if located on private land it is 100% protected in perpetuity (fee simple, permanent conservation easement, etc.) = 10  **(Section V–5)** | **Maximum = 10** |  |
| **B. What percentage of the watershed above the proposed project is protected in perpetuity (public ownership, development restrictions, easements, etc)?**  <10% = 0  10–49% = 5  50–74% = 7  75-100% = 10  **(Section V–6)** | **Maximum = 10** |  |
| **C. Does the project contribute to EBTJV Range-wide Habitat Objectives?**  0 Objectives Supported = 0  1 Objective Supported = 5  ≥2 Objectives Supported = 10  **(Section V–7)** | **Maximum = 10** |  |
| **D. Does the project contribute to EBTJV key conservation actions?**  0 Key Conservation Actions Supported = 0  1 Key Conservation Action Supported = 3  2 Key Conservation Actions Supported = 6  ≥3 Key Conservation Action Supported = 10  **(Section V–8)** | **Maximum = 10** |  |
| **E. What is the Project’s catchment EBTJV classification code**  0.0 or 0.5 = 0  0.2, 0.3, or 0.4 =10  1.2, 1.3, or 1.4 = 15  1.1 = 20  **(Section V–9)** | **Maximum = 20** |  |
| **F. Will the Project result in re-establishing wild Brook Trout within the catchment?**  No = 0  Yes = 20  **(Section V–10)** | **Maximum = 20** |  |
| **G. Will the Project result in eliminating wild Brown Trout and/or Rainbow Trout from the catchments so that only wild Brook Trout are present?**  No = 0  Yes = 20  **(Section V–11)** | **Maximum = 20** |  |
| **F. Is the catchment where the Project work will be implemented located in a Wild Trout Patch?**  No = 0  Yes; patch classification code is 0.2, 0.3, or 0.4 = 10  Yes; patch classification code is 1.2, 1.3, or 1.4 = 15    Yes; patch classification code is 1.1 = 20  **(Section V–12)** | **Maximum = 20** |  |
| **G. Does the project contribute to the conservation of federally listed threatened or endangered species, or Service priority species (other than Brook Trout)?**  No = 0  Yes, 1 species = 3  Yes, ≥2 species = 5  **(Section V–13)** | **Maximum = 5** |  |
| **H. Does the project contribute to conservation of state listed threatened or endangered species, or species of greatest conservation need (other than brook trout)?**  No = 0  Yes, 1 species = 3  Yes, ≥2 species = 5  **(Section V–14)** | **Maximum = 5** |  |
| **PROJECT PLANNING AND SUCCESS** | **Total Section Points = 75** | **Reviewer**  **Score** |
| **A. Does the project address the root cause of watershed degradation?**  Addresses none of the root causes = 0  Addresses some of the root causes = 3–5  Addresses a majority of the root causes = 10  **(Section V–15)** | **Maximum = 10** |  |
| **B. Is there a plan for measuring the Project’s success in meeting its goals and objectives?**  No plan for measuring the Project’s success = 0  Minimal plan for measuring the Project’s success = 2  Moderate plan for measuring the Project’s success = 5  Extensive, well developed plan for measuring the Project’s success = 10  **(Section V–16)** | **Maximum = 10** |  |
| C. Does the project address, support or build upon existing action plan(s) (e.g. state fish & wildlife, watershed protection, water quality improvement, land or water-use plan(s), or other regional plan(s)? No = 0 points  Yes, the project supports at least one goal in a conservation plan = 5 points  Yes, the project supports goals in two or more conservation plans = 10 points  **(Section V–17)** | **Maximum = 10** |  |
| **D. Are there invasive fish species with access (no barrier) to the Project site?**    Yes = 0  No = 10  **(Section V–18)** | **Maximum = 10** |  |
| **E. Are hatchery-reared salmonids stocked at the Project site or have access to it?**  Yes = 0  No = 15  **(Section V–19)** | **Maximum = 15** |  |
| F. Project Planning – Is the project planned, permitted and ready to begin? No = 0  Yes = 20  **(Section V–20)** | **Maximum = 20** |  |

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| **V. MANAGEMENT ASSETS** | **Total Section**  **Points = 35** | **Reviewer Score** |
| A. Will the public have access to the Project site? No public access = 0  Limited / Restricted public access = 5–10  Unrestricted public access = 15  **(Section V–21)** | **Maximum =15** |  |
| B. Will the project increase recreational fishing opportunities for wild brook trout? No increase in recreational fishing opportunities = 0  Moderate increase in recreational fishing opportunities = 10  Substantial increase in recreational fishing opportunities = 15  **(Section V–22)** | **Maximum =15** |  |
| **C. Does the project include an educational component?**    No educational component = 0  Minimal educational component = 1  Moderate educational component = 3  Extensive educational component = 5  **(Section V–23)** | **Maximum =5** |  |