

**Co-benefits scoring matrix for Basin 5** Version as of: 7/15/2022

Definition from Act 76 Rule: “Co-benefit” means the additional benefit to local governments and the public provided by or associated with a clean water project, including flood resilience, hazard mitigation, education, ecosystem improvement, and local pollution prevention.

<b>REQUIRED ELEMENTS: Criteria Scoring</b>	Score (Variable, 0-3)	Weighting (Fixed, 1 or 2)	Score
<b>Flood Resilience Benefit:</b> <i>1 point: likely reduces flood impacts but minimal at best</i> <i>2 points: definitely reduces flood impacts</i> <i>3 points: flood resilience benefit is significant and quantifiable</i>		<b>2</b>	
			<b>Max 6</b>
<b>Hazard Mitigation Benefit (other than flood resilience)</b> <i>1 point: likely reduces impacts from a known hazard</i> <i>2 points: definitely reduces impacts from a known hazard or likely reduces impacts from two or more hazards</i> <i>3 points: definitely reduces impacts from a top three hazard in town All Hazards Mitigation Plan</i>		<b>2</b>	
			<b>Max 6</b>
<b>Education Benefit</b> <i>1 point: creation of simple video, powerpoint, storymap, or etc. on project</i> <i>2 points: community gathering for ribbon cutting plus additional</i> <i>3 points: educational display (e.g. kiosk, interpretive panel, etc. on site</i>		<b>2</b>	
			<b>Max 6</b>
<b>Ecosystem Improvement (recreation/tourism, water supply, water quality, habitat provision, erosion prevention)</b> <i>1 point: Improves 1 of the services above excluding water quality</i> <i>2 points: improves 2 of the services above excluding water quality</i> <i>3 points: improves 3 or more of the services above excluding water quality</i>		<b>2</b>	
			<b>Max 6</b>
<b>Local Pollution Prevention: (nitrogen, chloride, other contaminant)</b> <i>1 point: Likely reduces at least one contaminant</i> <i>2 points: Definitely reduces at least one contaminant</i> <i>3 points: Definitely reduces at least two contaminants</i>		<b>2</b>	
			<b>Max 6</b>
<b>OPTIONAL ELEMENTS: Criteria Scoring</b>	Score (Variable, 0-3)	Weighting (Fixed, 1 or 2)	Score
<b>Also addresses a Permit Requirement: MRGP, MS4, 3-acre, wetland, lakeshore</b> <i>1 point: Identified but not ranked to be done in next 5 years</i> <i>2 points: identified in next 5-year Plan but not top 5 project</i> <i>3 points: Identified in next 5-year Plan and in top 5 projects</i>		<b>1</b>	
			<b>Max 3</b>
<b>Community Support</b> <i>1 point: Identified in existing community planning effort (Comprehensive Plan; Open Space Plan; Natural Resources Inventory; etc.)</i> <i>2 points: Same as above plus identified in Regional Plan</i> <i>3 points: either of above + involves major local, non-Water Quality partner</i>		<b>1</b>	
			<b>Max 3</b>
<b>Environmental Justice</b> <i>1 point: disadvantaged populations informed early about project</i> <i>2 points: disadvantaged populations meaningfully involved in design and/or construction</i> <i>3 points: disadvantaged populations will definitely benefit</i>		<b>1</b>	
			<b>Max 3</b>
<b>Bonus points for other criteria not captured above</b> <i>1-3 points [ this must be clearly defined; be used sparingly and be equally available/applicable to every application)</i>		<b>1</b>	
			<b>Max 3</b>
		<b>Score&gt;&gt;</b>	
		<b>MAX</b>	<b>42</b>