

**Maine Outdoor Heritage Fund Guiding Principles  
Grant Proposal Scoring**

Proposal #: \_\_\_\_\_ Agency: \_\_\_\_\_ Score: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Budget: \_\_\_\_\_ MOHF Funding Request: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments (e.g. strengths, weaknesses, improvements, questions, etc.): «Comments»

Application Check List

- Summary Information Form signed by Natural Resource Agency representative
- 3-5 page proposal that addresses Guiding Principles, including:
  - identification of the fund-distribution category
  - stated objectives of the project and how they will be accomplished
  - evidence of the urgency and need for the project
  - literature cited, if appropriate
  - potential outcome of the project and how it will be measured
  - project timeline
  - itemized budget, other funding sources, and future funding plan
- List of key personnel including a resume of each (not to exceed 1 page per person)
- Letter of understanding between participating entities if collaborative project

Possible Score (all projects begin with a score of 30)

- \_\_\_ I. Project conserves Maine's outdoor heritage and demonstrates outstanding natural resource or recreational benefits
  - 20 Multiple significant natural resource or recreational benefits
  - 15 Significant natural resource or recreational benefits
  - 10 Contributes to natural resource or recreational benefits
  - 0 Insufficient documentation of resource or recreational benefits
  
- \_\_\_ II. Project maximizes degree of matching funds (monetary match must consist of funds raised specifically for the project proposed and does not include salary costs of natural resource agency staff that are funded by the State General Fund)
  - 20  $1/3$  or more of the total project cost is CASH match  
*((Total Cash Match / (Total Project Cost - In-Kind Match))*
  - 15  $1/3$  or more of the total project cost is CASH plus INKIND match  
*((Total Cash Match + In-Kind Match) / Total Project Cost)*
  - 10 Less than  $1/3$  of the total project cost is CASH or INKIND match  
*((Total Cash Match + In-Kind Match) / Total Project Cost)*
  - 0 No match
  
- \_\_\_ III. Project forms partners between natural resource agencies, interest groups and organizations based on shared visions and mutual responsibility
  - 10 Broad-based partnership of natural resource agency(ies) and non-governmental organizations
  - 5 Alliance of state/federal agencies and universities only
  - 0 No alliance
  
- \_\_\_ IV. Project addresses natural resource concerns of statewide significance and/or broad geographical distribution
  - 20 Project will impact a resource of statewide significance
  - 15 Project will impact a resource of regional significance
  - 10 Project will impact a resource primarily of local significance
  - 0 Insufficient documentation