

2008 NJ WHIP Ranking System

Efficiency score multiplier: 2.0

The practice efficiency score is based on multiple resource concern effects, lifespan of system, and cost.

Maximum Points: 80

Local Multiplier: 2.0

	Local Issue	Value (Y/N)	Share of Points	Points Earned
1.	The planned habitat improvement is specifically related to Bog turtle habitat enhancement or development.		8	
2.	The project provides quality habitat in the Delaware Bay Shore area (Cape May, Cumberland and Salem counties).		11	
3a.	The project is contiguous to a state Wildlife Management Area, National Wildlife Refuge or local, county or non-governmental protected open space, including farmland preserved properties, that provide quality habitat.		22	
3b.	The project is located within one mile of, but is not contiguous with, a state Wildlife Management Area, National Wildlife Refuge or local, county or non-governmental protected open space, including farmland preserved properties, that provide quality habitat.		12	
4.	The project is located on private (non-government) lands.		13	
5.	In addition to the habitat benefits, the project provides opportunities for wildlife-related recreation.		6	
6.	In addition to the habitat benefits, the project provides water resource protection benefits (with a net positive Conservation Practice Physical Effects score for water quality).		7	
7.	Project is receiving formal assistance from or through a partnership with an additional NRCS recognized wildlife partner agency or organization.		13	

Maximum Points: 80

State Multiplier: 1.0

	State Issue	Value (Y/N)	Share of Points	Points Earned
1.	The applicant has an existing conservation plan they wish to implement through the WHIP program.		20	
2a.	The project has a high chance for ecological success.		20	
2b.	The project has a moderate chance for ecological success.		10	
3a.	The improvement in the Habitat Suitability quality score (HSI Table 2) is between 0 and 5.		5	
3b.	The improvement in the Habitat Suitability quality score (HSI Table 2) is between 5.1 and 10.		10	
3c.	The improvement in the Habitat Suitability quality score (HSI Table 2) is between 10.1 and 15.		20	
3d.	The improvement in the Habitat Suitability quality score (HSI Table 2) is between 15.1 and 20.		40	

Maximum Points: 80

Nat'l Multiplier: 1.0

	National Issue	Value (Y/N)	Share of Points	Points Earned
1.	Will the treatment you intend to implement using WHIP result in the restoration of declining or important native wildlife habitats?		18	
2.	Will the treatment you intend to implement using WHIP result in the protection, restoration, development or enhancement of wildlife habitat for at-risk species which can include candidate species and State listed threatened and endangered species?		14	
3.	Will the treatment you intend to implement using WHIP result in the protection, restoration, development or enhancement of wildlife habitat for Federally listed threatened and endangered wildlife species?		15	
4.	Will the treatment you intend to implement using WHIP result in the reduction of invasive species on wildlife habitats?		16	
5.	Will the treatment you intend to implement using WHIP result in the protection, restoration, development or enhancement of declining or important aquatic wildlife species' habitats?		17	