

EXHIBIT A – PROJECT RANKING CRITERIA

The following table summarizes the project ranking criteria for the Small Community Wastewater Grant (SCWG) Program, as outlined in the Guidelines.

Class	Problem Type	Priority Water Body	Lacking Sewers or with Growth Pressures	Group	Ranking within Group
A - Public Health	Existing	Yes	Yes	1	Lowest to Highest MHI
			No	2	Lowest to Highest MHI
		No	Yes	3	Lowest to Highest MHI
			No	4	Lowest to Highest MHI
	Potential	Yes	Yes	5	Lowest to Highest MHI
			No	6	Lowest to Highest MHI
		No	Yes	7	Lowest to Highest MHI
			No	8	Lowest to Highest MHI
B - Pollution Problem	Existing	Yes	Yes	9	Lowest to Highest MHI
			No	10	Lowest to Highest MHI
		No	Yes	11	Lowest to Highest MHI
			No	12	Lowest to Highest MHI
	Potential	Yes	Yes	13	Lowest to Highest MHI
			No	14	Lowest to Highest MHI
		No	Yes	15	Lowest to Highest MHI
			No	16	Lowest to Highest MHI
C - All Other	Existing	Yes	Yes	17	Lowest to Highest MHI
			No	18	Lowest to Highest MHI
		No	Yes	19	Lowest to Highest MHI
			No	20	Lowest to Highest MHI
	Potential	Yes	Yes	21	Lowest to Highest MHI
			No	22	Lowest to Highest MHI
		No	Yes	23	Lowest to Highest MHI
			No	24	Lowest to Highest MHI

Note: In the event of a tie, projects that serve smaller populations will be ranked above projects serving larger populations.