

02 NCAC 59C .0409 PRIORITY CRITERIA

The commission shall determine the order in which approved applications shall receive state grant funds by evaluating the following criteria:

- (1) financial resources of the local sponsoring organizations: preference will be given to projects which offer the greatest assurance of the availability of funds for the local cost share;
- (2) nonstructural measures: projects which include non-structural measures in the work plan will be given preference for grant funds;
- (3) regional benefits: projects which provide benefits to an area greater than the project area or the area of jurisdiction of the approved applicant are preferred;
- (4) state-owned lands and properties: preference will be given to projects which include direct benefit to state-owned lands and properties;
- (5) geographic regions: it is the preference of the commission to balance grant awards across the regions of the state; to that end the geographic location of the current project and the location of projects with previous grants will be considered;
- (6) multipurpose uses: projects which include multiple purposes such as, flood prevention, water supply and recreation, will be given preference;
- (7) land treatment: preference will be given to projects which include land treatment in the project work plan;
- (8) authorization date: project work plans with the earliest authorization dates will be given preference;
- (9) EDA area: if the applicant's area is designated by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Agency, as an Economic Development Area, the project will be shown preference;
- (10) engineering work: preference will be given to projects which have the engineering work completed or underway; and
- (11) other special considerations as determined by the commission.

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