

A successful applicant will have a project that contributes to resilience on their farm. Resilience will be clearly defined in terms of social, environmental, and economic impact.		
Criteria - Total possible score is 30		<b>Comments/Examples/Evidence</b> <i>Please note 1-2 examples of what you observed; If you have questions or concerns, include those here</i>
Has this applicant previously received a NOFA Farmer Resilience Grant? [3 points if they have not]	max=3	
<b>Organic practices?</b> [3 points if they are certified organic or using organic practices]	max=3	
<b>Does this project improve the resilience of the farm? Consider three types of resilience-</b> 0-4 points for <b>each</b> of the follow categories for a possible total of 12 points (scoring guide in column 3)		Our definition of 'resilience' is framed broadly around the mission of NOFA-VT: to promote organic practices to build an economically viable, ecologically sound and socially just Vermont agricultural system that benefits all living things. 4 =Yes! 3 = Really Good 2 = Some concerns 1 = Deep concerns 0 = No!
Does this project contribute to the economic viability of the farm? Score 0-4	max=4	
Does this project contribute to social justice? Score 0-4	max=4	
Is this project ecologically sound? (The project must not be contrary to the organic standards.) Score 0-4	max=4	
How would you rate the long term impact of this project for the farm? Score 0-4	max=4	
How would you rate the community impact of this project? Score 0-4	max=4	
<ul> <li>Does this farm face barriers that have prevented them from accessing this type of program/funding? Score 0-4</li> <li>Social barriers such as access to farming network, discrimination in accessing support</li> <li>Long term land access barriers</li> <li>Money for education program barriers</li> <li>O- This person experiences no identified barriers</li> <li>4- This person experiences inequitable barriers [Applicants identifying as BIPOC, LGBTQ, disabled owned or led will automatically receive 3 pts]</li> </ul>	max=4	
<u><b>Other comments</b></u> (e.g. do budget and timeline look realistic?)		
TOTAL SCORE (total possible is 30)		
Overall Recommendation:		