




NOFA-VT Resilience Grant Scoring Rubric

Application Number:

Reviewer:

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 <u>40</u>		Comments/Examples/Evidence <i>Please note 1-2 examples of what you observed; If you have questions or concerns, include those here</i>
Is applicant an active NOFA member (2 if yes)	max=2	
Has this applicant received a NOFA Farmer Resilience Grant in the last two cycles? [3 points if they have not]	max=3	
Organic practices? [3 points if they are certified organic, 2 if using organic practices]	max=3	
Does this project improve the resilience of the farm? Consider three types of resilience- 0-5 points for each of the follow categories for a possible total of 15 points		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. 5 = Yes, definitely! 4 = Really Good 3 = Good 2 = Some concerns 1 = Deep concerns 0 = Not at all!
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does this project contribute to the economic viability of the farm? Score 0-5 	max=5	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does this project contribute to social good/justice? Score 0-5 	max=5	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is this project ecologically sound, and/or does it promote resilience to climate change? (The project must not be contrary to the organic standards.) Score 0-5 	max=5	
Does the budget look thorough and realistic? (equipment names & quantities, sources, etc.) Score 0-3	max=3	
Is the funding request in Tier 1 (\$2,000 or under)? (1 if yes)	max=1	
How would you rate the long term impact of this project for the farm? Score 0-4	max=4	
How would you rate the wider community impact of this project? Score 0-4	max=4	

<p>Does this farm face barriers that have prevented them from accessing this type of program/funding?</p> <p><i>Some examples of barriers faced could be:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social barriers such as access to a farming network, discrimination in accessing financial support or federal assistance • Long term land access barriers • Money for education program barriers <p>Score 0-5 0 - This person experiences no barriers 5 - This person experiences inequitable barriers</p> <p><i>[To combat historical inequities in accessing agricultural funding, applicants identifying as BIPOC, LGBTQIA, or disabled owned/led will automatically receive 3 pts]</i></p>	<p>max=5</p>	
<p><u>Other comments</u> (feedback pertaining to scoring decisions, etc.)</p>	<p>n/a</p>	
<p>Overall Score:</p>		