

District Grant Criteria

District Priorities

1. **Conforms with District Priorities:** *Priority is granted to projects which work toward implementing the districts project priorities.*

8-10 points	Project addresses one or more of the district’s stated priorities.
3-7 points	Project does not address a stated priority but does adequately address waste diversion
0-2 points	Project does not address either a priority or waste diversion

2. **Regional Infrastructure:** *criterion will be measured by the degree to which the project contributes to enhancing the region’s solid waste diversion infrastructure.*

8-10 points	Project addresses new local collection, processing, or manufacturing from recovered materials
3-7 points	Project increases capacity of existing local processing, collection, or manufacturing from recovered materials.
0-2 points	Project does not contribute to the region’s infrastructure.

3. **(Question 2.3) Degree of waste reduction or recycling diversion:** *criterion will be judged by the amount of waste reduction or recycling diversion, with consideration given to cost per ton, over the short or long term of the project.*

6-8 points	Project will lead to significant diversion rates of materials and provides credible evidence project goals will be met
3-5 points	Project will lead to moderate diversion rates and provides credible procedures.
0-2 points	Project will lead to marginal diversion rates and does not provide credible procedures.

4. **(2.5+6) Supply of Recovered Materials or Target Audience:** *criterion will be evaluated on the commitment and availability of feedstock needed to successfully implement project, as documented by letters of commitment, contracts or other verifiable documents. (For education projects: feedstock = audience)*

6-8 points	Project identifies a committed supply of feedstock or available audience within the district necessary to complete the project goals.
3-5 points	Project identifies moderate supply of feedstock or available audience from within and outside of the district.
0-2 points	Supply of feedstock or available audience is inadequate or questionable.

5. **(2.10) Competition:** *Criterion will be evaluated by the degree to which the funding will impact existing entities providing similar services in the MARC SWMD*

0 points	Project will not have a negative impact on existing entities
-1 to-3 points	Project will have minor negative impacts on existing entities
-4 to-6 points	Project has a high degree of negative impacts on existing entities

Total Points for District Priorities (36 Points Possible) _____

Community Benefits

6. **(2.8) Cooperative Partnerships:** *criterion will be judged by the evidence of efforts to work cooperatively with local governments and other partner organizations in the district.*

6-10 points	Project includes partnerships with three entities, including one local government.
3-5 points	Project includes partnerships with two entities.
0-2 points	Project does not include any partnerships.

7. **(2.12) Communication Planning:** *criterion will be evaluated by intentional plans for education and outreach.*

6-10 points	Project provides compelling evidence of plans for education and community outreach.
3-5 points	Project demonstrates a moderate plan for education and community outreach.

0-2 points Project does not demonstrate a plan for education and community outreach.

8. (2.9) Community Access and Participation: *criterion will be judged by which the project promotes and improves community access and participation in waste diversion activities.*

6-10 points Project demonstrates convenient access and increase in community participation in waste diversion activities.

3-5 points Project demonstrates general access and community participation component.

0-2 points Project does not demonstrate convenient access or increase in community participation.

9. Geography: *criterion will be judged by whether the project serves new or underserved populations.*

3-4 points Project serves a new population, geographically or demographically.

1-2 points Project serves an area with limited services.

0 points Project services are in an area already well served.

Total Points for Community Benefits (34 points possible) _____

Administrative Considerations

10. Past Performance Rating: *Criterion will be judged based on previous grant history with the MARC Solid Waste Management District.*

NEGATIVE POINTS

0 points Applicant has demonstrated satisfactory performance in the administration of a previous grant project, or the applicant does not have a grant history.

-7 to -5 points Applicant has demonstrated less than satisfactory performance in the administration of a previous grant project.

-8 to -10 points Applicant has failed to meet the minimum performance requirements of a previous project.

11. Past Grants: *Criterion will consider whether the applicant has a project or projects currently open and/or if the same project has been funded for two or more years.*

NEGATIVE POINTS

0 points Applicant does not have an open grant nor has the project been previously funded.

-7 to -5 points Applicant currently has an open grant that has been extended.

-8 to -10 points Applicant has received funding for the same project for two or more consecutive years.

12. Completeness of Application: *Criterion will be measured by the inclusion of application components, including but not limited to the budget, workplan and timeline, qualifications and the required attachments.*

NEGATIVE POINTS

0 points Specified areas are complete and no additional information is required.

-3 to -5 points Specified areas are substantially complete, but additional information is required.

-15 to -20 points Specified areas are not complete and the information provided is insufficient for consideration of the entire application.

13. (5.1-3) Financial strategy, match, and commitment: *criterion will measure quality of budget and applicant's financial stability to successfully implement project*

8-10 points Project has a detailed and comprehensive budget, including quotes for itemized expenses over \$3,000, financing for the project is committed and documented. Applicant indicates credit worthiness and financial stability.

3-5 points Project budget may be less detailed or have questionable items, financing not completely secured. Applicants indicate marginal credit worthiness and financial stability.

0-2 points Adequate project financing capacity has not been demonstrated. Potential poor credit or financial instability. Project budget is vague or incomplete, financing questionable and match requirements uncertain or unsatisfactory.

Total Points for Administrative Considerations (10 points possible) _____

Technical Considerations

- 14. (3.7-8) Technical and Managerial Capability of Applicant:** *criterion measures the ability of the applicant to implement and operate the project based on previous work experience and demonstrated expertise in the field.*
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| 6-8 points | Extensive experience (5 years or more). |
| 3-5 points | Limited experience. |
| 0-2 points | No experience. |
- 15. Project Implementation:** *criterion measures the quality of the workplan tasks and timetable.*
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| 6-8 points | Project workplan includes detailed tasks and is likely to be implemented based on the timeline presented. |
| 3-5 points | Project workplan includes minimal tasks and may not be implemented in a timely manner |
| 0-2 points | Project workplan is insufficient to ensure implementation. |
- 16. (3.1) Compliance with Federal, State or Local Requirements (permits, waivers, licenses):** *criterion will evaluate the applicant's assessment of needed permits, waivers and/or licenses.*
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| 3-4 points | Projects indicate if permits, waivers or licenses are required and provide further information. |
| 2-1 points | Projects indicate if permits, waivers or licenses are required. |
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Total Points for Technical Considerations (20 points possible) _____

TOTAL POINTS (100 points possible) _____