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Application Scoring Rubric | Flying Site Improvement Grant

Applications can be scored on five criteria: project need, project workplan, impact on club and community, alignment with AMA mission, and project budget worksheet. Each criterion is measured using a 5-point scale: exemplary, convincing, adequate, needs improvement, or not present. Applicants can receive up to 20 points, plus 3 additional bonus points for being a leader club and/or for not receiving funding before or within the last three years. Thus, a club may receive a maximum of 23 points.

	Exemplary (4 pts)	Convincing (3 pts)	Adequate (2 pts)	Needs Improvement (1 pt)	Not Present (0 pts)	Score (0-4 pts)
Project Need	The need for the project is compelling and evidence-based. Details are well-reasoned, and no clarification is needed.	The need for the project is convincing, but clarification is needed on one or two details.	The project need is somewhat clear, but many details or points of logic are vague.	The project need is unclear, and the description lacks depth or substance.	Criterion is not present.	
Project Workplan	The project workplan and timeline is well- crafted, feasible, and attainable. All aspects of the project are accounted for.	The project workplan and timeline is appropriate. Some minor details are vague.	The project workplan and timeline provide skeletal details for major tasks, but several specific details are missing.	The workplan and timeline fail to address the work of the project. Major details and tasks are missing.	Criterion is not present.	
Impact on Club & Community	The application describes how the project highly impacts the community and/or club members by pointing to upcoming club and community events or programs (Fun Flys, young pilot	The application describes how the project will impact the community and/or club members by generally pointing out potential club and community events or programs	The application indicates that the project will impact the club and the community but lacks clear explanation about or examples of how or why.	The application is vague about if and how the project will impact the club and/or community.	Criterion is not present.	

Alignment with AMA Mission	 program, fundraisers, etc.) made possible by the improvement. The application explicitly describes how the project aligns with and supports all parts of the AMA mission. The project promotes model aviation as a hobby, sport, and as an educational tool. 	that will be made possible by the improvement. The application references and connects to the AMA mission, but may not fully address how the project promotes the AMA mission.	The application gestures to how the improvements support the AMA mission; however, the application does not explicitly reference or connect their project to the	The application doesn't reference the AMA mission and focuses solely on the club's interests.	Criterion is not met or is not present.	
Project Budget Worksheet	The project budget worksheet is complete and detailed; all estimates, receipts, and/or invoices are included.	The project budget worksheet is complete but simple; all estimates, receipts, and/or invoices are included.	mission. The project budget is complete but some estimates, receipts, and/or invoices are missing or do not match items in the worksheet.	The budget is severely incomplete and does not fully account for the project. Receipts, estimates, and/or invoices are missing or do not match items in the worksheet.	Criterion is not met or is not present.	
Sum of Points (from Criteria)						/20
Bonus: Leader Club?				Bronze & Silver Leader Clubs: +1 point	Gold Leader Clubs: +2 points	
Bonus: Previous FSIG Funding?				Never received funding: +5 point	3+ years since funding: +1 points	
TOTAL ADJUSTED SCORE						/27