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Scoring Criteria for Projects that Benefit Disadvantaged and Low- Income Communities

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Assembly Bill 523 Requirements for EPIC

- ▶ Allocate 25 percent of **EPIC TD&D** funding for projects located in and benefiting disadvantaged communities
- ▶ Allocate an additional 10 percent of funding for projects located in, and benefiting low-income communities
- ▶ Take into account adverse localized health impacts of proposed projects to the greatest extent possible



Process To Increase Benefits to Low-Income and Disadvantaged Communities

- ❑ CEC Staff conducted workshops in Fresno and Diamond Bar
 - **Received public comments**
- ❑ Staff consulted with CARB and CEC's FTD, then drafted scoring criteria
- ❑ ERDD staff issued a RFC in 2018 with draft scoring criteria
 - **Received comments from EJ advocates, CBOs, Tribes, and other interested parties**
- ❑ Revised scoring criteria incorporating feedback from RFC
- ❑ Conducting briefings with CEC leadership and others
 - VC Scott, Comm. Douglas, Public Advisor, DACAG



Evaluating TD&D Projects

Proposed Scoring Criteria	Maximum Points
1. Project Team Past Performance with Energy Commission	15
(Minimum Passing Score for Criteria 1 is <u>6</u>)	
2. Technical Merit	15
3. Technical Approach	25
4. Impacts and Benefits for California IOU Ratepayers	20
5. Team Qualifications, Capabilities, and Resources	15
Total Possible Points for criteria 1–5 (Minimum Passing Score for criteria 1–5 is 70% or <u>80.5</u>)	90
6. Budget and Cost-Effectiveness	10
7. CEC Funds Spent in California	10
8. Ratio of Direct Labor and Fringe Benefit Rates to Loaded Labor Cost	5
Total Possible Points for criteria 1–8 (Minimum Passing Score for criteria 1–8 is 70% or <u>80.5</u>)	115

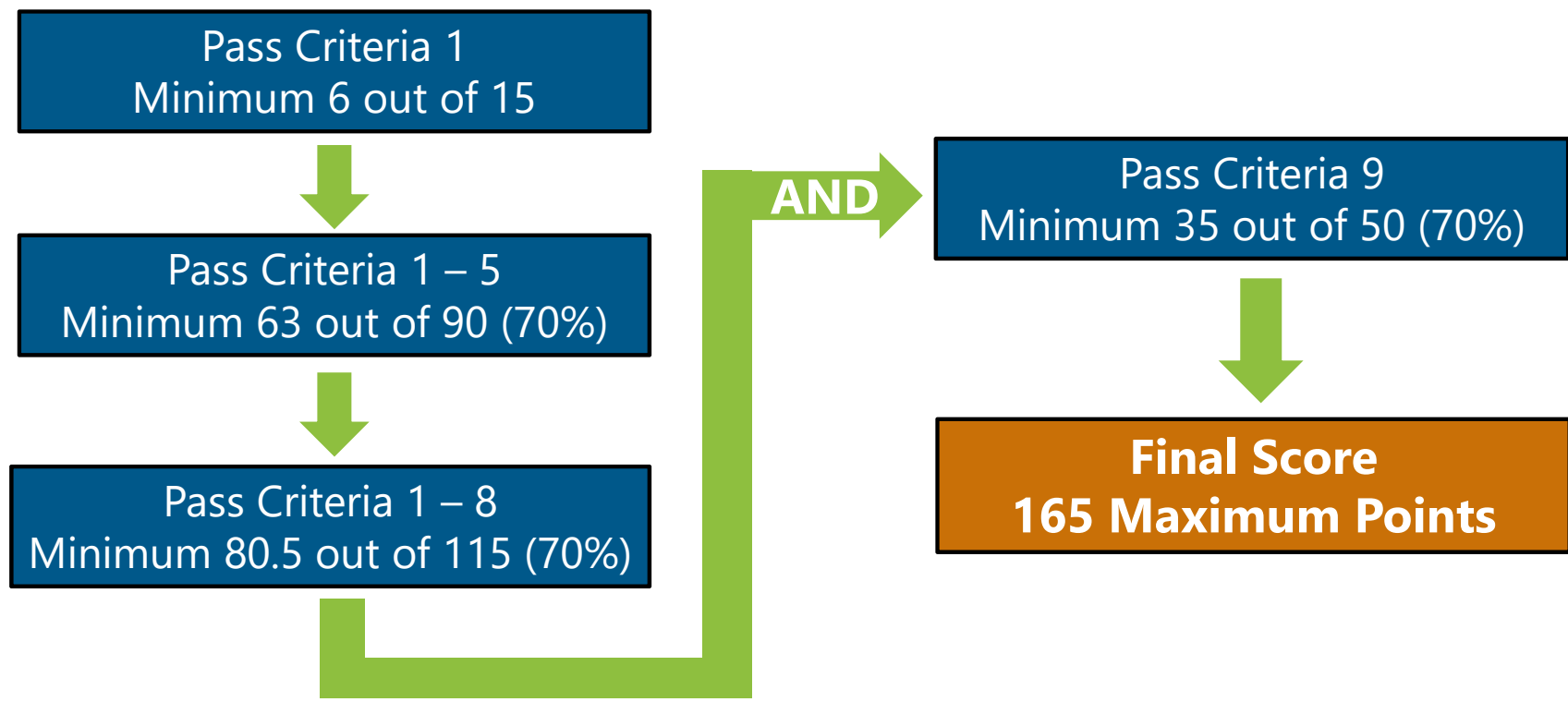


Evaluating TD&D Projects

Proposed Scoring Criteria	Maximum Points
9. Benefits to Disadvantaged/Low-Income Communities and Localized Health Impacts	
9.1 Benefits to Disadvantaged/Low-Income Communities	15
9.2. Community Engagement Efforts	10
9.3. Localized Health Impacts	15
9.4. Technology Replicability	5
9.5. Project Support Letters	5
Total Possible Points for criteria 9 (Minimum Passing Score for criteria 9 is 70% or 35.00)	50
Total Possible Points for Proposal	165



Scoring Weights and Minimum Passing Requirements





Scoring Criteria 9 Details

9.1 Benefits to Disadvantaged/Low-Income Communities

- a) Identifies and describes the energy and economic needs of the community based on project location, and what steps the applicant has taken to identify those needs.
- b) Identifies and describes how the project will increase access to clean energy or sustainability technologies for the local community.
- c) Identifies and describes how the proposed project will improve opportunities for economic impact including customer bill savings, job creation, collaborating and contracting with micro-, local, women-owned and/or minority owned, and small-businesses, economic development, and expanding community investment.
- d) Identifies how the projects' primary beneficiaries are residents of the identified disadvantaged/low income community(ies) and describes how they will directly benefit from the project outcomes.



Scoring Criteria 9 Details

9.2 Communities Community Engagement Efforts

- a) Identifies how community input was solicited and considered in the design of the project.
- b) Identifies and describes how the impacted community will be engaged in project implementation.
- c) Identifies and describes how and where the applicant will disseminate appropriate language and culturally appropriate education materials and career information.
- d) Identifies how the project, if successful, will build community capacity.



Scoring Criteria 9 Details

9.3 Localized Health Impacts

- a) Summarizes the potential localized health benefits and impacts of the proposed project and provides reasonable analysis and assumptions.
- b) Identifies how the proposed project will reduce or not otherwise impact the community's exposure to pollutants and the adverse environmental conditions caused by pollution and/or climate change. If projects have no impacts in this criterion, provide justification for why impacts are neutral.
- c) Identifies health-related Energy Equity indicators and/or health-related factors in CalEnviroScreen 3.0 that most impact the community and describes how the project will reduce or not otherwise impact the indicators or factors.



Scoring Criteria 9 Details

9.4 Technology Replicability

- a) Identifies how the project, if successful, will lead to increased deployment of the technology or strategy in other disadvantaged or low-income communities. Identifies and describes how the project will increase access to clean energy or sustainability technologies for the local community.

9.5 Project Support Letters

- a) Includes letters of support from technology partners, community based organizations, environmental justice organizations, or other partners that demonstrate equity, feasibility, and commercial viability in low-income and disadvantaged communities.



Next Steps

- Roll out new scoring in relevant solicitations and ERDD sub-team will pilot the scoring criteria evaluation process
- Complete briefings on Scoring Criteria



QUESTIONS?