Asset Management Program for Small Systems
Prioritization Criteria for Selection of Systems to Receive Assistance

Prioritization Criteria
TWDB will use the following prioritization criteria to establish the score.

**Size** - Number of Service Connections for System

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<td>5</td>
<td>Number of Service Connections less than or equal to 500</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>Number of Service Connections is greater than 500 but not more than 1,000</td>
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**Rural area** - provides service only to rural areas

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<td>4</td>
<td>The system serves only rural areas</td>
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<td>The system serves areas some that are not rural</td>
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(TWDB will use the U.S. Census definition of an urban area to establish rural areas. All areas not in an urban area, whether urbanized areas or urban clusters, will be considered rural.)

**Income** - Annual Median Household Income (AMHI) of the service area compared to the State of Texas AMHI

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<td>Service Area AMHI is less than or equal to 63% of State AMHI</td>
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<td>Service Area AMHI is greater than 63% but not more than 75% of State AMHI</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Service Area AMHI is greater than 75% but not more than 90% of State AMHI</td>
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<td>Service Area AMHI is greater than 90% but not more than 117% of State AMHI</td>
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**Operations** - Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) violations

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<td>System has had no TCEQ violations in the previous 36 months as of the date the TWDB considers the system.</td>
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<td>System has had only maximum contaminant level violations in the previous 36 months as of the date the TWDB considers the system.</td>
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<td>System has TCEQ violations that are not maximum contaminant level violations in the previous 36 months as of the date the TWDB considers the system.</td>
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**Previous Participation** – Applicant has entity has participated in the AMPSS program previously, for either their water or wastewater system.

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<td>2</td>
<td>The entity's water and wastewater systems have NOT participated in AMPSS previously</td>
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**Customer Growth** – Percentage of growth of the population and connections served over the past 3 years. The percent of change in population and the percent of change in connections served will be averaged together to produce one value.

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<td>Growth of 7% or more and less than 10%</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Growth of 4% or more and less than 7%</td>
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<td>1</td>
<td>Growth of 1% or more and less than 4%</td>
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<td>0</td>
<td>Growth of less than 1%</td>
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**Formula for Customer Growth calculation:**

\[
\frac{\left( \frac{2022 \text{ POP} - 2019 \text{ POP}}{2019 \text{ POP}} \right) + \left( \frac{2022 \text{ CNX} - 2019 \text{ CNX}}{2019 \text{ CNX}} \right)}{2} \times 100 = \text{Customer Growth \%}
\]

*Where POP = Population Served and CNX = Number of Connections*

Maximum of 22 points

Tiebreaker - (1 point) - the system with the fewest number of service connections