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| **Kettle and Snake River Watersheds Easement Ranking Sheet** | | | | | | | | | |  |
| **LANDOWNER** |  | | | | | | | | |  |
| **PARCEL # (S)** |  | | | | | | | | |  |
| **COUNTY** |  | | | | | | | | |  |
| **Score** | **Max Score** | **Criteria** |  |  |  | **Guidelines:** |  |  |  | **Field Comments** |
| **Habitat Protection Priorities** | | | | | | | | | |  |
|  |  |  | **Habitat Biodiversity** | | | | | | |  |
|  | 25 | General Habitat Biodiversity | Habitat biodiverity significance (MCBS ranking); rare, endangered, or species of greatest concern (MN  Wildlife Action Network); uniqueness of resources on the property and lack of shoreland disturbance. | | | | | | |  |
| Full points if listed. | | |  | | | |
|  | 15 | RAQ Score | (3) Riparian, (3) Adjacency, (3) Quality. Every eligible offer has been technically ranked. 5 points for RAQ of 1-3, 10 points for RAQ of 3-6, and 15 points for RAQ of 6-10. | | | | | | |  |
|  | 15 | Forest/Land Cover | 1-15 points based on the proportion of parcel that is undisturbed forest; | | | | priority forest type (important | | |  |
| for some species) and/or perennial grasses. | | | | | | |
|  |  |  | **Offer** | | **Size & Suitability** | | | | |  |
|  | 10 | Offer Size | 1-10 points base on the size of the offer(10 acres=1 pt; >100 acres=10 pts) | | | | | | |  |
|  | 30 | # Feet of Shoreline | 10 points for at least 500 - 999 feet of shoreland on the Kettle River, Snake River or Tributaries | | | | | | |  |
|  |  |  | 15 points for 1,000 - 2,000 feet of shoreland on the Kettle River, Snake River or Tributaries | | | | | | |  |
|  |  |  | 20 points for 2,000 - 3,000 feet of shoreline on the the Kettle River, Snake River or Tributaries | | | | | | |  |
|  |  |  | 30 points for more than 3,000 feet of shoreland on the Kettle River, Snake River or Tributaries | | | | | | |  |
|  | 10 | % of Parcel/Tract | 1-10 points based on the proportion of the parcel enrolled in easement (10% = 1 pt; 100%= 10 points) ) | | | | | | |  |
|  |  |  | **Habitat Corridor Connectivity & Continuity** | | | | | | |  |
|  | 20 | Adjoining Public Land | Up to 20 points for land adjoining public land. 10 points for one side, 20 points for 2 or more sides. | | | | | |  |  |
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|  | 15 | Adjoining Other Privately Protected Land | Up to | 15 points for land adjoining privately protected land or another easement application. 15 points for | | | | | |  |
| permanent easement, 10 points for 50 year SFIA, 5 points for less than 50 year SFIA. | | | | |  | |
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|  |  |  | **Potential for Habitat Fragmentation (Urgency) & Opportunity for Protection** | | | | | | |  |
|  | 10 | % of Tract Developable | 1-10 points base on the proportion of the tract that is developable (1 pt for each 10% developable) | | | | | | |  |
|  | 10 | Threat | Important habitat that, because of its location or surrounding land use/practices, will be lost to development if not protected. (High threat = 10 pts, no threat = 0 pts) | | | | | | |  |
|  | 10 | Opportunity for Protection | 1-10 Points for Parcel's Minor Watershed Classification. More points for Enhancement and Protection; less points for vigilance (already largely protected and thus less urgency). Consistency with other County water plan priorities and/or 1W1P. | | | | | | |  |
|  | 10 | Wetland Fringe | 1-10 points based on the estimated average distance between upland & the bank/water (No fringe = 0 pts, then 1 pt for each 30' up to 300') | | | | | | |  |
|  |  |  | **Professional Judgement** | | | | | | |  |
|  | 15 | Professional Judgement | 0-15 points based on landowner management of land; tributary flowage to river; other special considerations and general project suitability. | | | | | | |  |
|  |  |  | **Financial Leverage** | | | | | | |  |
|  | 5 | Bargain Sale/Leverage | 5 Points based on percent discount or other funds leveraged | | | | | | | Donated acres |
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|  | **200**  **MAXIMUM** |  | \*Other factors may raise or lower the priority of a parcel | | | | | | |  |