

TARGET SPECIES SCORING SHEET

Step 1 (Credit Scoring) of the [Wildlife Connectivity Advance Mitigation Guidelines](#) (Guidelines) require sponsors to fill out this Target Species Scoring Sheet (table below) and provide a [Target Species Scoring Justification](#), when preparing a wildlife connectivity action credit proposal for a target species. Once completed, the scoring sheet will be used by the sponsor to determine the final score for the proposed wildlife connectivity action for each target species.

The sponsor should use this Target Species Scoring Sheet by assigning points in the “Sponsor Proposed Score” column based on the considerations and subcategories in Section 4: Target Species Ecological Benefit Crediting Considerations and the scoring matrixes in Section 3 of the Guidelines. If the sponsor finds that they have insufficient information for an ecological crediting consideration, the sponsor should reflect it in their score.

The point score listed in the “Sponsor Proposed Score” column represents the maximum amount of points for that category. The final score is the addition of all rows and will be out of a total of 100 which includes the CDFW determined Unique Project Characteristics score.

The “final score” for each credit type will be used in Step 2: Crediting Factor. CDFW will review and evaluate the sponsor’s proposed score, and then assign its own score in the “CDFW Score” column.

The sponsor must provide the completed table to CDFW as a Word document.

This Target Species Scoring Sheet is a part of the Guidelines.

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Bank/MCA name: _____

Date: _____

Target Species/Credit type: _____

Crediting Considerations and Subcategories	Sponsor Proposed Score	CDFW Score
1. Ecological Engineered Design	N/A	N/A
A. Structure Dimensions	/6	/6
B. Noise and Light Minimization Measures	/3	/3
C. Surface Substrates and Vegetation	/3	/3
D. Approaches and Fencing and Other Directional Implements	/9	/9
E. Designing for Resilience to Climate Change	/3	/3
2. Value of the Habitat Connected	N/A	N/A
A. Habitat Quantity	/8	/8
B. Habitat Quality	/8	/8
C. Protection of the Land	/8	/8
3. Value of the Particular Location	N/A	N/A
A. Topography, Aquatic Resource or Other Natural Pathway	/6	/6
B. Existing Vegetation and Other Cover	/3	/3
C. Movement and Mortality Data	/6	/6
D. Existing Conditions	/3	/3
E. Human Impacts	/3	/3
4. Critical Linkages	N/A	N/A
A. Regional Connectivity	/8	/8
B. Local Connectivity	/8	/8
5. Population-level Benefits to Target Species	N/A	N/A
A. Genetic Diversity and Breeding Opportunities	/5	/5
B. Species Adaptation to Climate Change	/5	/5
Unique Project Characteristics	N/A	/5
Total out of 100	N/A	/100

* If 3 or more subcategories fall within the low scoring for a credit type, then sponsors must reach out to CDFW.