



Validation Checklist - Confidential Appendix

Date submitted:

Project Information

Project Name

Trading Area Name

Trading Area Type (e.g., TMDL, TNC
Ecoregion)

Project location

Latitude/longitude
EstimatedArea (acres/hectares)
EstimatedLinear Feet of Stream

Project Developer

Organization
Contact person
Title
Phone/Email

How to use this Appendix

This Appendix to the Validation Checklist provides space for Project Developers to supply additional detail on responses to Validation Checklist questions that include confidential or sensitive information. Please use the space provided below to supply information on any circumstances that may affect eligibility requirements now or in the future. Please note that this document is intended to be kept confidential between Project Developer and the Willamette Partnership, unless disclosure is required by law or regulatory requirements. For ease of use, the numbered questions in this Appendix to match their Validation Checklist counterparts.

4. Ownership

- a. Have you reviewed and confirmed ownership of the property where the project will take place? Yes No

Check all that have been reviewed:

- Copy of property deed
 Review of county assessor records
 Title search
 Other: _____

- b. Did the property review identify any items (e.g., ownership disputes, conflicting uses, liens, easements) that would disqualify the project from generating credits? Yes No

If you answered "Yes" in the Checklist, please describe the items and whether and how they can be resolved prior to project implementation.

If the property review identified other factors that may affect the success of credits over the project life and you wish to discuss them with Willamette Partnership prior to project implementation, please provide additional detail here.

5. Additionality

- a. Has the proposed project been reviewed for compliance with all applicable federal, state and local laws? Yes No

If specific actions must be taken to comply with applicable laws, please provide additional detail substantiating compliance (e.g., permits, etc.)

- b. Does the scope of the credit-generating activities on the property meet and exceed any requirements under Section 5(a) or other standard practices (i.e., "business as usual") given the applicable land use type, entity, or industry on site? Yes No

If you answered "Yes" in the Checklist, please provide additional detail on how the proposed project activities exceed standard practices for land use and management on the project site.

- c. Were public dollars dedicated to conservation¹ used to fund any portion of the credit-generating activity? Yes No

If you answered "Yes" in the Checklist, please list the name of the funder, amount (if known), term of the agreement, and use of the funds (particularly any uses that would otherwise qualify as a credit-generating BMP).

- d. Have previous conservation actions or restoration activities been attempted on the site within the last 10 years? Yes No

If you answered "Yes" in the Checklist, please list the name of the funder, term of the agreement, use of the funds, expected outcome, and current condition of the project activities. If previous activities were unsuccessful, please provide a) justification that the activities qualify as having failed; b) relevant factors for failure; and c) measures that will be taken to avoid similar challenges during the current project.

- i. Have the agreement(s) and on-site activities expired or been terminated? Yes No

- ii. Are there ongoing obligations under the agreement(s) that require an entity to perform, maintain, or monitor the same types of project activities checked in Section 3? (If "yes", please contact the Willamette Partnership, as your proposed project may not be additional.) Yes No

- e. Have any credits been previously generated or sold on the property? Yes No

If you answered "Yes" in the Checklist, please describe any previous credits generated on the site and how those actions and areas relate to the current project activities.

¹ For the purposes of the ECAS, public funds dedicated to conservation include those targeted to support voluntary natural resource protection and/or restoration with a primary purpose of achieving a net ecological benefit through creating, restoring, enhancing, or preserving habitats, as described in Oregon Interagency Recommendations: Public Funds to Restore, Enhance, and Protect Wetland and At-Risk, Threatened and Endangered Species Habitats: Appropriate Uses of These Funds in Species and Wetland Mitigation Projects (2008), Some examples include Farm Bill Conservation Title cost share and easement programs, EPA 319 funds, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Partners for Wildlife Program, state wildlife grants, and other sources. Public loans intended to be used for capital improvements of public water systems (e.g., State Clean Water Revolving Funds and USDA Rural Development funds), and utility stormwater and surface water management fees are not public funds dedicated to conservation.

- f. To the best of your knowledge, have any significant portions of the site's natural land cover been converted or undergone significant ecological change (e.g., wetlands fill, vegetation removal) in the last 10 years? Yes No

If you answered "Yes" in the Checklist, please describe the significant changes to natural land cover or ecological condition in the last 10 years and whether any federal, state, or local environmental or development permits were required and/or procured.

Attestation:

I attest that this information is true to the best of my ability and is consistent with Ecosystem Credit Accounting System's General Crediting Protocol Version _____ and Verification Protocol Version _____ for the _____ basin.

Signature Line: _____

Printed Name: _____

Project Developer: _____

Date: _____