

**North Dakota
FY2012 Specialty Crop Block Grant Program Evaluation Criteria**

PROJECT NUMBER:	Maximum Points	Points Received
1. Project Purpose	15	
How well does the applicant define the need for and purpose of the project? Are the project objectives clear and appropriate? Is the project important and timely? Is the project feasible?		
2. Potential Impact	20	
Does the project have a positive impact on the targeted specialty crop industry? How effective will the project be at enhancing the competitiveness of that industry? How great is the potential impact on North Dakota? Will the impact of the project be realized within the next five years?		
3. Expected Measurable Outcomes	15	
Does the project include one or two measurable outcomes that directly support the project's purpose? Are they of direct importance to beneficiaries? Does each measurable outcome include a specific goal, target, benchmark, and performance measure? How clear, appropriate, and realistic are the goals and objectives?		
4. Work Plan	15	
Is the work plan complete? Is the work plan feasible? Is the timeline reasonable? Do the tasks relate to the project objectives and expected measurable outcomes?		
5. Budget and Narrative	5	
Is the amount requested reasonable? Are line items reasonable and appropriate? Does the Budget narrative adequately explain the line items?		
6. Project Oversight	10	
Does the project have adequate oversight to ensure proper administration?		
7. Project Commitment	10	
Is industry support for the project demonstrated? Are stakeholders actively involved in the project? Do stakeholders have an active role in any activities outlined in the project work plan? Are industry stakeholders providing matching or in-kind contributions?		
8. Overall	10	
Is the proposal complete, well thought out and written, and has demonstrated an appropriate amount of preliminary work to justify further research and development work on the project?		
TOTAL	100	

COMMENTS: