

Water Quality				
Parameter	Score	Rating	Description of Rating	Considerations
Allocation	1	Low	Few or no water quality allocations (e.g, no discharge permits or water quality certifications for other permits issued).	Review permits or authorizations issued or pending.
Allocation	3	Moderate	Some water quality allocations (e.g., a few minor discharge permits or certifications for minor projects issued).	
Allocation	5	High	Many water quality allocations (e.g., many or major discharge permits or certifications issued).	
Condition	1	Compliant	Water quality is in compliance with applicable standards.	Review available data and reports in relation to federal, state or local water quality regulations and ordinances.
Condition	3	Impaired (Low duration or severity)	Water quality does not comply with applicable standards for short periods of time or at low levels of severity.	
Condition	5	Impaired (High duration or severity)	Water quality does not comply with applicable standards for extended periods of time or at high levels of severity.	
Protection	1	Adequate protection	Protections currently in place are adequate to prevent degradation of water quality.	Assess effectiveness of existing stewardship programs, on-going water quality condition of waterbody and associated risks.
Protection	3	Moderate protection	Protections currently in place may not be adequate to prevent degradation of water quality.	
Protection	5	Inadequate protection	Protections currently in place are not adequate to prevent degradation of water quality.	
Future Use	1	Few (> 5 Years)	Few or no future water uses with potential to affect water quality. No discharge permits or water quality certifications for other permits issued or pending. No unauthorized activities that degrade water quality are documented.	Assess potential for increased uses, allocations and impacts.

Future Use	3	Some (1-5 Years)	Some future water uses with potential to affect water quality. Few or minor discharge permits or certifications issued or pending. Few or no unauthorized activities degrading water quality are documented.	
Future Use	5	High (0-1 Year)	Multiple or major future water uses with potential to affect water quality. Multiple or major discharge permits or certifications issued or pending. Unauthorized activities degrading water quality are documented.	
Present Use	1	Low use	Few beneficial uses are associated with water quality (e.g., not a drinking water source, no fish and wildlife production).	Assess current use of waterbody relative to maximum potential uses and pollution impacts.
Present Use	3	Moderate use	Some beneficial uses associated with water quality (e.g., fish and wildlife production, secondary drinking water source).	
Present Use	5	High use	Many or major beneficial uses associated with water quality (e.g., primary drinking water source for large population, salmon spawning and rearing).	
Value	1	Low Value	Private drinking water supply, no uniquely distinctive pristine qualities, administratively assigned designation or none.	Assess relative value of waterbody as a water source or supply for potential uses and any special designations.
Value	3	Moderate Value	Class C drinking water supply, moderately distinctive pristine qualities or assigned a regulatory designation.	
Value	5	High Value	Class A/B drinking water supply, uniquely pristine qualities or legislatively assigned designation.	