Northeast Minnesota HOME Consortium HOME-ARP Pre-Application Scoring Matrix

<u>Pre-Application Period</u>: The HOME-ARP Pre-Application period will enable staff to gather enough information to evaluate whether a proposed project meets minimum eligibility requirements for the HOME-ARP Program. Additionally, staff will undertake a brief environmental screening to identify whether the project is likely to receive environmental clearance after final applications are received.

The following matrix will be used to screen initial applications for eligibility.

PRE-APPLICATION SCREENING / REVIEW If any of the answers below are "no" the project is ineligible and will not be invited to proceed with a full application.	OUTCOME	COMMENTS
Is the applicant an eligible entity?	YES / NO	n/a
Is the proposed activity eligible (Rental Housing or NCS)?	YES / NO	n/a
Does the project propose to serve all qualifying populations?	YES / NO	n/a
Did the initial environmental screening demonstrate that the project is likely to receive environmental clearance when the full ERR is completed?	YES / NO / MAYBE	If the answer is a maybe, applicant may proceed, but will be made aware that there are some red flags which may require additional due diligence.

Applicants with ineligible project proposals will be notified. Applicants with eligible project proposals will be invited to move forward in submitting a full proposal through the Final Application period.

<u>Final Application Period</u>: For the HOME-ARP Final Application period, applicants will be given up to 6 months to prepare and submit their proposal. During this time, staff will provide technical assistance to applicants as they develop their Final Applications. Staff will use the following matrix to evaluate all submitted proposals, ensuring that minimum project requirements are met.