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Preferred locations

Possible 10 points

Glossary

Intent

To encourage development within existing cities, suburbs, and towns to reduce adverse environmental and public health effects associated with sprawl. To reduce development pressure beyond the limits of existing development. To conserve natural and financial resources required for construction and maintenance of infrastructure.

Requirements

Achieve any combination of requirements in the following three options:

Option 1. Location type (1-5 points)

Locate the project in one of the following locations:

- A previously developed site that is not an adjacent site or infill site (1 point).
- An adjacent site that is also a previously developed site (2 points).
- An infill site that is not a previously developed site (3 points).
- An infill site that is also a previously developed site (5 points).

AND/OR

Option 2. Connectivity

Locate the project in an area that has existing connectivity, as listed in Table 1.

Measure connectivity one of two ways:

- within 1/2 mile (800 meters) of the project boundary; or
- within the project and within 1/2 mile (800 meters) of the project boundary.

Intersections within the site may be counted if the intersections were not constructed or funded by the developer within the past ten years.

Table 1. Points for connectivity within 1/2 mile of project

Intersections per square mile	Intersections per square kilometer	Points
200-249	78-96	1
250-299	97-115	2
300-349	116-134	3
350-399	135-153	4
400 or more	≥ 154	5

AND/OR

Option 3. Designated high-priority locations (3 points)

Earn at least 2 points under NPD Credit Housing Types and Affordability, Option 2, Affordable Housing.

AND

Locate the project on one of the following:

- a site listed by the EPA National Priorities List;
- a Federal Empowerment Zone site;
- a Federal Enterprise Community site;
- a Federal Renewal Community site;
- a Department of the Treasury Community Development Financial Institutions Fund Qualified Low-Income Community (a subset of the New Markets Tax Credit Program);
- a site in a U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Qualified Census Tract (QCT) or Difficult Development Area (DDA); or
- a local equivalent program administered at a national level for projects outside the U.S.