## 02 NCAC 52J .0903 EVALUATION OF APPLICATIONS

- (a) Each completed application shall be evaluated by the Animal Welfare Section (AWS) staff.
- (b) The staff shall review all applications for completeness. If an application is incomplete, the applicant shall be asked to reapply with a new, completed application.
- (c) The following criteria shall be used to evaluate the applications:
  - (1) the thoroughness of the explanation of how the compliance violations will be resolved or mitigated with the use of the grant funds;
  - (2) the thoroughness of the explanation of the plans to ensure future compliance with the AWA (G.S. 19A-20 through 31) and its associated rules (02 NCAC 52J);
  - in the incidence of an unforeseen catastrophic occurrence, such as a hurricane, tornado, fire, flood, or other natural or man-made disaster, the thoroughness of the explanation of how the grant funds will be used to mitigate the damage done by the incident;
  - (4) the amount of funds available;
  - (5) the amount of funds requested; and
  - (6) the order in which the application was received.

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