

**2024 Specialty Crop Block Grant Program
Phase I, Concept Proposal
Technical Evaluation Criteria Score Sheet**

Title of Project:

SCORING CRITERIA	Maximum Points	Points Received
1. Project Purpose	30	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. How well does the applicant define the specific and existing issue, problem, or need the project will address? b. Did the applicant address the timeliness and relevance to the specialty crop industry? c. Will the project provide a direct benefit to Nebraska's specialty crop industry? d. If the project builds upon a prior year project, describe how the project differs from, compliments, or builds upon the previous work. 		
2. Expected Measurable Outcomes	5	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Does the project identify one of the eight outcomes as predetermined by USDA? 		
3. Outcome Indicators	20	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Did the applicant provide one of the predetermined indicators listed under the identified outcome? b. Did the applicant write the quantifiable results for the indicator selected? 		
4. Explanation to Accomplish Project	25	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Did the applicant explain how the data will be collected? b. Did the applicant explain how the project will accomplish the outcome and indicator selected? 		
5. Projected Budget	20	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Is the budget reasonable and consistent with the project's purpose, outcome, and indicator? b. Is it feasible that the proposed work can be accomplished given the proposed budget? 		
TOTAL	100	
NON-SCORING CRITERIA		
Does the project address how it will enhance the competitiveness of U.S. or U.S. territory grown specialty crops in either domestic or foreign markets?	Yes	No
Does the project directly benefit socially disadvantaged farmers as defined by the RFA?	Yes	No
Does the project directly benefit beginning farmers as defined in the RFA?	Yes	No