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| **Item** | **Eligibility Criteria –** **An application must satisfy Items A-M in order to receive grant funding** | ✓ | **Staff Use Only** |
| ✓ | **Date confirmed** |
| A  | Long Term Commercial ViabilityThe parcel proposed for conservation is expected to continue to be used for, and is large enough to sustain, commercial agricultural production. The land is also in an area that possesses the necessary market, infrastructure, and agricultural support services, and the surrounding parcel sizes and land uses will support long-term commercial agricultural production. |  |  |  |
| B | General Plan Commitment to AgricultureThe applicable city or county has a general plan that demonstrates a long-term commitment to agricultural land conservation. This commitment shall be reflected in the goals, objectives, policies, and implementation measures of the plan, as they relate to the area of the county or city where the easement acquisition is proposed. |  |  |  |
| C  | Risk of ConversionWithout conservation, the land proposed for protection is likely to be converted to nonagricultural use in the foreseeable future. |  |  |  |
| D  | Consistent with General PlanThe proposal is consistent with the city or county general plan.  |  |  |  |
| E | Resolution of SupportThe governing body of the city or county approves the proposal by resolution. |  |  |  |
| F  | No Restriction on Husbandry PracticesThe proposed agricultural conservation easement would not restrict agricultural husbandry practices (as defined in PRC §10218) on the land.  |  |  |  |
| G  | Restriction in PerpetuityThe applicant and seller of the agricultural conservation easement agree to restrict the use of the land in perpetuity.  |  |  |  |
| H  | Voluntary EasementNo government agency conditioned the issuance of an entitlement to use on the landowner’s granting of the proposed easement.  |  |  |  |
| I  | Clean TitleClear title to the agricultural conservation easement can be conveyed.  |  |  |  |
| J  | Fair Market ValueThe total purchase price of the easement does not exceed the appraised fair market value. |  |  |  |
| K  | Appraisal GuidelinesEasement Appraisal complies with Department's published "Guidelines for the Preparation of Agricultural Appraisals". |  |  |  |
| L | Acquisition TimeframeAcquisition can be completed within two year timeframe.  |  |  |  |
| M | Eligible CountiesProperty located within Fresno, Kern, Kings, Madera, Merced, Santa Clara, and Tulare. |  |  |  |
| N  | Local Government as Applicant OnlyIf the local government is the applicant, then it has not acquired, or proposed to acquire, the agricultural conservation easement through the use of eminent domain, unless requested by the landowner.  |  |  |  |