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#### **Category or Subcategory**

# Category 1: Liable parties, scope of liability, and state authorities

- A. Scope of liable parties
- B. Predecessors in Interest
- C. Joint and several liability
- D. State access (e.g., the right to enter premises) and the right to acquire an interest in a well or other wells or related interests
- E. Increased or enhanced compliance or enforcement programs

## Category 2: Transfers of interest

- A. Notice of transfer sent to state from the transferor, the transferee, or another interested party
- B. Whether a state examines the transferor, the transferee, or both
- C. The scope of examination

- D. State authority to condition or reject a proposed transfer
- E. Transferor maintenance of financial assurance through or beyond a transfer
- F. Financial assurance adjusted for risk, including requiring over what the transferor posted

## Category 3: Financial assurance (e.g., surety bonds, letters of credit, certificates of deposit)

- A. Full-cost well-specific financial assurance, including consideration for inflation
- B. Well-specific financial assurance that considers field or area risks, including consideration for location-based inflation
- C. Well-specific financial assurance that considers well-related risks (e.g., low production, estimated costs for plugging a particular well), including consideration for relevant equipment- or materials-based-inflation
- D. Well-specific financial assurance that considers liable-party-related financial risks
- E. Multiple-well financial assurance that considers financial risks and anticipated plugging, reclamation, and restoration burdens
- F. Updating state asset/liabilities database

## Category 4: Non-assurance state financial protections and incentives

- A. Fees, taxes, and penalties (including enhanced or escalated enforcement of penalties)
- **B.** Incentives

- C. State authority to restrict future operations of party
- D. The creation or presence of a State idle or orphaned well plugging, reclamation, and restoration funds, trusts, or other similar accounts that is funded through non-state-originated funds
- E. Insurance or warranty for a plug failing

## Category 5: Reporting and public notice of orphaned wells

- A. Reporting mechanisms for responsible parties, municipalities, or other members of the public
- B. Online notice of aggregate financial assurance by responsible party (including notice targeted for economically disadvantaged and/or non-English speaking populations)
- C. Online notice of marginal, orphaned, and all other wells by responsible party (including notice targeted for economically disadvantaged and/or non-English speaking populations)
- D. State notice of future plans for orphaned wells (including notice targeted for economically disadvantaged and/or non-English speaking populations)
- E. State notice of ongoing and relatively recent completed orphaned well activities (including notice targeted for economically disadvantaged and/or non-English speaking populations)

# Category 6: Considerations for air, groundwater, and other natural resources, as well as public safety and general environmental or economic justice

- A. Considerations for surface and groundwater or soil, including hazardous materials or other contamination
- B. Special considerations for oil and gas wells converted to water wells
- C. Considerations for air quality, including methane, other emissions, and visual resource protection
- D. Considerations for public safety and general environmental or economic justice
- E. Provisions to address climate impacts of plugging, restoration, such as restrictions on equipment emissions for construction, alternative materials with reduced footprint, and restoration to climate resilient landscapes
- F. Land use controls for high-contamination or other categories of orphaned well sites

### Category 7: Internal and external workforce development

- A. State internal workforce enhancements
- B. State contracting process
- C. Oversight of vendors, including certificate programs
- D. External workforce training programs, including those considering economic justice factors

Criteria 1 Authorities in effect when the State submits its application, even if they were also in effect prior to the 10-Year Application Period  (YES / NO) (Up to 71 points)	Criteria 2 Additions or improvements the State made during the 10-Year Application Period  (YES or NO) (Up to 121 points)	
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