

Table 7. Habitat application content checklist. This list includes questions that LCFRB recommends applicants ensure their materials and proposal presentation clearly answer using text and visuals. These questions are not used to determine application eligibility, but instead highlight key program and habitat outcomes that reviewers commonly need when trying to assess proposals. Some questions may only apply to certain project types, such as restoration proposals to install large wood structures.

LCFRB Habitat Application Content Checklist	
Habitat Conditions and Watershed Processes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Identify any habitat assessment(s) where this proposal is identified. LCFRB assessments can be found online. <input type="checkbox"/> Reference identified watershed processes impairments, limiting factors, and habitat actions you are proposing to address. <input type="checkbox"/> Describe the quantity (if known) and quality of existing and proposed habitat, and how it varies seasonally. <input type="checkbox"/> Include visuals illustrating existing habitat conditions for all project areas (i.e. floodplain, channel corridor, riparian corridor, etc.). <i>DNR Lidar data is available online, and can be used for maps illustrating existing valley, stream channel and other watershed conditions.</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Describe the habitat goals for each proposed structure (i.e. reconnect floodplain habitat, split channel flows, provide hiding/rearing cover, aggrade sediment, etc.). <input type="checkbox"/> Describe the existing and proposed long-term riparian conditions in the project area. Include information on plant community composition, and note any invasive species concerns. <input type="checkbox"/> Identify all riparian restoration locations on project maps. <input type="checkbox"/> Describe how restored riparian habitat will be managed and sustained in the future. <input type="checkbox"/> Describe how proposed riparian restoration widths were determined, including any landowner constraints that influenced riparian widths. <input type="checkbox"/> Describe the landowner(s) commitment to supporting project habitat benefits in the long-term. <input type="checkbox"/> If proposing to address a fish passage barrier, describe how this site relates to any other barriers in the watershed. If other barriers exist, include details on timeline for when other barriers may be addressed. <input type="checkbox"/> If proposing to address a fish passage barrier, describe how barrier correction provides unimpeded fish passage and supports watershed processes improvements. <input type="checkbox"/> If proposing acquisition, describe the threat to onsite conditions and watershed processes if land acquisition does not occur. <input type="checkbox"/> If proposing acquisition, describe community support or concerns. <input type="checkbox"/> Describe how the proposed approach, scope and scale are sufficient to achieve the proposed fish and habitat outcomes.
Overall Proposal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Proposal goals and objectives should connect back to limiting factors for targeted salmon and steelhead and realistic, quantified outcomes, i.e. SMART objectives. RCO provides definitions and examples of using SMART objectives, which can be found online.