

# Prioritization Scoring Matrix: Revised July 2022

This Prioritization Scoring Matrix is used for UST Removal, UST Replacement, UST Modification, and Baseline Assessment applications, which must be submitted during the defined prioritization periods that are generally held twice per year

- Applications for Suspected Release Confirmation are accepted and approved throughout the year and are not subject to prioritization at this time

**IMPORTANT NOTE: The presence of an open suspected release will no longer be considered in the prioritization of applications for UST Removal, UST Modification, UST Replacement, or Baseline Assessment**

- There will be no prioritization points awarded to sites that have an open suspected release because applications for Suspected Release Confirmation are accepted and approved throughout the year to facilitate prompt investigation of suspected releases in accordance with regulatory timeframes

CATEGORY	PERCENT OF MAXIMUM AVAILABLE	MAXIMUM POINTS	DETAILS
<b>Severity of Potential Environmental Impact</b>	50%	50 points	Factors: Open leaking UST cases, Site characteristics, Human health receptors, Vapor intrusion, Groundwater wells, Surface water
<b>Probability of Release Discovery</b>	40%	40 points	Factors: Tank age, Tank construction
<b>Financial Resources</b>	10%	10 points	Factors: Company size (Number of operating facilities in Arizona)
<b>Total</b>	100%	100 points	
<b>Fast Pass Criteria:</b>			
<b>Sites with an On-going Release</b>	100%	100 points	Automatic 100 points for sites with an on-going release (also called site of special concern or KOU) and the work will address the ongoing release
<b>Sites with an Open Confirmed Release</b>	50%	50 points	Automatic 50 points in the Severity category because an environmental concern already exists Applications skip Severity rating and go to Probability and Financial ratings

When applications have the same priority score, they will be arranged in order by:

- The date the oldest open confirmed release was reported
- The installation date of the oldest open or temporarily closed tank

RISK FACTOR		POINTS (100 max)	DETAILS
<b>Fast Pass Criteria</b>			
Sites with an On-going Release		100	No further information needed: Site has on-going release and work will address the on-going release
Sites with an Open Confirmed Release		50	No further Severity evaluation needed (continue with Probability and Financial Resources information): Site has an open confirmed release and the work will address the confirmed release
<b>Severity of Potential Environmental Impact</b>		<b>50 max</b>	
Site Characteristics	Vapor Risks	0-10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Building on the facility property that people regularly occupy = 10 points</li> <li>Vacant/unoccupied site = 0 points</li> </ul>
	Groundwater Risks	0-10	Approximate depth to groundwater (if depth unknown = 0 points): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0'-24' = 10 points</li> <li>25'-49' = 5 points</li> <li>50'-99' = 2 points</li> <li>&gt;100' = 0 points</li> </ul>
	Soil Risks	0-10	Anticipated or known soil type at the site from 0 to 15 feet below ground surface: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Soil with sands and/or gravels = 10 points</li> <li>Soils without sands/gravels = 5 points</li> <li>Bedrock or unknown soil conditions = 0 points</li> </ul>
Receptors (within 0.25 miles)	Potential Human Health Receptors	0-10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Childcare, School, Long-Term Facility, Group Home - DD, Medical Facility, Hospital, or Residential Facility present = 10 points (No additional points if more than one is present)</li> <li>None = 0 points</li> </ul>
	Groundwater Wells	0-5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exempt or non-exempt well = 5 points</li> <li>No exempt or non-exempt wells present = 0 points</li> </ul>
	Surface Water	0-5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stream, river, or lake present = 5 points</li> <li>No stream, river, or lake present = 0 points</li> </ul>
<b>Probability of Release Discovery</b>		<b>40 max</b>	
Tank Age		0-30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Greater than 30 years old = 30 points</li> <li>Between 20 to 29.9 years old = 20 points</li> <li>Between 10 to 19.9 years old = 10 points</li> <li>Less than 10 years = 0 points</li> </ul>
Tank Construction		0-10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Single-walled or No Data Available = 10 points</li> <li>Double-walled = 0 points</li> </ul>
<b>Financial Resources of the Applicant</b>		<b>10 max</b>	
Company Size		0-10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Owns 19 or less operating UST facilities = 10 points</li> <li>The Applicant is solely the property owner, not an UST owner or operator = 10 points</li> <li>Owns 20 or more operating UST facilities = 0 points</li> </ul>