ARCHEOLOGICAL RESEARCH MERIT	Score	Comments
(25 total points in this category)		
5 = comprehensive explanation of the topic		
3-4 = partial or somewhat reasonable; informative		
1-2 = incomplete, confusing, or implausible		
0 = ineffective or absent		
a) Communication of the research purpose (5)		
b) Significance and Background (5)		
c) Hypothesis or Specific Aims (5)		
d) Methods or Techniques (5)		
e) Potential Problems and Results (5)		
BUDGET & PROJECT TIMELINE (10 points)		
8-10 = well-planned, appropriate, manageable		
5-7 = acceptable, some minor issues or concerns		
1-5 = unrealistic, inappropriate, and/or vague		
$0 = not \ described$		
APPLICANT ABILITY (10 total points)		
5 = strong background, training, and/or experience		
appropriate to the level of the applicant or		
organization		
<i>3-4 = some background, and/or experience</i>		
<i>1-2 = little background and/or experience</i>		
0 = lacks background and/or experience (unlikely to		
complete successful, timely research)		
a) Resumé or CV (5)		
b) Letters of recommendation (5)		
TRAINING AND MENTORING (10 points)		
<i>9-10</i> = project is independently designed by a student		
or avocational archaeologist working with a		
professional (academic or CRM) mentor		
6-8 = the project is designed by an organization or		
professional to train community member(s), intern(s),		
or student archaeologist(s)		
2-5 = training and mentoring are not clearly		
described or are a minimal part of the project		
0-1= very vague or not explicitly addressed		
WISCONSIN ARCHEOLOGY FOCUS (5 points)		
5 = significant and innovative focus on WI arch		
3-4 = average, less innovative focus on WI arch		
1-2 = unconvincing or general focus on WI arch		
0 = not explicitly addressed		
TOTAL (60)		

Final Qualitative Assessment: (Choose One). Based on all of the above criteria, I rate this project as:

Outstanding	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Fair	Non-fundable
0		2			