







## Conservation Scorecard Tip Sheet

Most information needed to complete the Conservation Scorecard is provided in the various data layers of the Conservation Scorecard Viewer on ConservationMapper ([www.conservationmapper.org](http://www.conservationmapper.org)). Answering most questions requires that you select only a single data layer at a time (e.g., Question 1 B.) However, some questions require that you select multiple data layers (e.g., Question 3 B requires that you select two different *Aquatic Buffer* layers), while yet others do not require any map layers (e.g., Questions 1 A, 2 B, 2 D, etc.) The following table indicates which map layers and other information are necessary to answer each of the Conservation Scorecard's eighteen questions.

Scorecard Question	Data Layers* Used on ConservationMapper	Additional Information Needed	
<b>Landscape Factors</b> 	1 A	None	You must provide the size, in acres, of the parcel that you are evaluating.
	1 B	<i>Undeveloped Upland Patches</i>	None
	1 C	<i>Landscape Integrity Value</i>	None
<b>Vegetation</b> 	2 A	<i>Representation</i>	None
	2 B	None - Default score	Field visit (optional)
	2 C	<i>Vegetation classes</i>	Field visit (optional)
	2 D	None – Default score	Field visit (optional)
	2 E	None – Default score	Field visit (optional)
<b>Aquatic Resources</b> 	3 A	<i>Aquifers</i>	None
	3 B	<i>Aquatic Buffer (100 ft)</i> <i>Aquatic Buffer (200 ft)</i>	None
	3 C	<i>Certified Vernal Pools (CVPs)</i> <i>Potential Vernal Pools (PVPs)</i>	None
	3 D	<i>CVP buffer (100 ft)</i> <i>PVP buffer (100 ft)</i>	None
<b>Rare Species</b> 	4 A	<i>BioMap Core</i> <i>Biomap Supporting Landscape</i>	Verified rare species observation, too recent to be included in BioMap, should be included in your response.
	4 B	<i>Living Waters Core Habitats</i> <i>Living Waters Critical Supporting Watersheds</i>	None
	4 C	<i>Priority Habitat of Rare Species</i>	None
<b>Legal Protection</b> 	5 A	<i>Areas of Critical Environmental Concern</i> <i>Outstanding Resources Waters</i> <i>North River Scenic Corridor</i>	The map layers provided are only a few examples of regulatory overlays. You should apply your knowledge of local, state, and federal regulatory overlays that affect the parcel being evaluated.
	5 B	None	You need to realistically identify how the parcel will be protected if purchased. Base this assessment on how similar purchases by your town or organization have been protected.
<b>Potential For Development</b> 	6 A	None – Default score	Review your local Master Plan and/or Community Development Plan; consult with City/Town Planner.

\* Names of data layers are indicated in italics.

