ARCHEOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT GRANT
CRITERIA FOR EVALUATION

Applicant must complete the application addressing the following:

1. **Funding Priority** - What is the priority of the requested project (using program description)
   - Projects whose objectives involve the protection, stabilization, or preservation of an archaeological resource in danger from such land altering activities as development or erosion.
   - Projects whose objectives involve the protection and preservation of archaeological resources in danger of destruction from unauthorized excavation or looting.

2. **Historical significance** - Details on National Register status
   - Is the property a National Historic Landmark?
   - Is the property listed in the National Register of Historic Places?

3. **Application** - How well does the application present this project?
   - Is the application well prepared, clear and provide the required material for review?
   - Does it provide the necessary information to understand the project?
   - Did the applicant submit relevant and/or useful support documentation?
   - Is the proposed work adequately described? Is the budget clear and complete?
   - Do the photographs sufficiently illustrate the character of the property and demonstrate the project need?
   - Does the application address future financial support to maintain and provide detail regarding ongoing and future care of the property?
   - Does the applicant demonstrate the ability to pay all invoices upfront prior to reimbursement?
   - Has the applicant previously completed a grant successfully?

4. **Project** - How will this project preserve/protect the cultural resource?
   - Does the estimate give enough information to determine the cost of project and grant award?
   - Will the project result in the protection of the resource?
   - Is the proposed budget adequate to accomplish the project?
   - Does the description demonstrate adequate understanding of the scope of work?

5. **Community support and benefit** - How will this project benefit the community?
   - Is there community support for preserving the resource?
   - Does the resource represent a significant aspect of the community’s history?
   - Do the letters of support and additional material indicate the organization and resource provide a benefit to the community?
   - Is there community/regional cooperation in preserving and protecting this resource?