

Frontier District Advancement Committee EAGLE PROJECT CRITERIA

<u>General</u> All project work must be done while the candidate is a Life Scout and prior to his 18th birthday. The project need not be original; however, all planning must be the work of the Eagle candidate. In addition to the planning, all manpower needs must be obtained and directed by the Scout. Routine labor or normal service does not meet the requirements for an Eagle project.

Leadership The Eagle Scout project is first and foremost a leadership experience for the candidate. Service is performed to give value to the work, but the essence of the project from Scouting's perspective is to plan, organize and give leadership to others in the completion of the project.

<u>Adult Supervision</u> The candidate must lead the project. However, all BSA activities must have two (2) deep Adult leadership in attendance who understands and knowingly accepts responsibility for the safety and well being of the children and youth in the group. These adults or adult associates who are present must be sufficiently trained, experienced and skilled in the activity (including the use of tools) to be able to determine if any portion of the activity is not safe for children or youth to participate.

<u>Tour Permits</u> A Council Tour Permit is required for all BSA activities of any kind that are held away from the Unit's normal meeting place. A separate permit is required for each date.

<u>Successful Project Characteristics</u> Development of the project must be original. The type of project may have been done before, but this project must be planned, organized and led by the Eagle candidate. The project plan must include:

- Manpower requirements
- Manpower resources (recruiting and training)
- Material requirements and resources
- Equipment requirements and resources
- Details of work to be done and how
- Budget (if necessary) and source of funds
- Estimated hours

The project must have the prior written approval of the benefiting organization. It must directly benefit that group.

"Eagle Project Q and A", also in this packet, contains very important information which the candidate should read before selecting a project.

<u>Eagle Project Workbook (Life to Eagle Packet)</u> The Unit leader, Unit Committee chairperson and the District Advancement Committee member must sign the Eagle Project workbook BEFORE any work can be performed.



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The workbook narrative must detail all of the characteristics as they apply to the project. Time estimates (manpower requirements) should be given for each phase of the project. While there is no minimum number of hours, the effort of the candidate and the number of volunteer hours must represent a "significant" effort. The specific nature of the project will determine what is "significant".

In addition to being of significant scope, the project must give <u>lasting</u> benefit to the beneficiary. It must not provide on-going maintenance.

The project cannot benefit the Boy Scouts of America in any way.

The beneficiary must be outside of Scouting. The candidate must direct his efforts toward his church, school or community for the project. The narrative must show:

- Who will benefit
- □ What lasting value will they receive
- Name, address and phone number of the beneficiary representative

<u>After the Eagle Project</u> When the project is complete, the Eagle Project workbook must be completed and a final report written. The report must answer:

- □ Any differences between the plan and the actual project. Describe in detail.
- □ Who assisted in the project? Were any non-Scouts?
- How many hours were required.
- What the candidate learned from the experience.
- □ What he would do differently if he did the project again.

Including pictures will help with the project review. They should show before and after scenes, together with views of the work in progress. The final report should be typed or very neatly written in black or blue ink.

The final report must include a letter from the beneficiary accepting the completed project.

<u>Review and Approval</u> For the project to be approved for progress toward the rank of Eagle Scout, the following questions should also be answered in the final report:

- Did the Eagle candidate demonstrate leadership by directing others rather than doing the work himself?
- Was the project of real and lasting value to the beneficiary?
- Who verified completion of the project on behalf of the beneficiary?
- Did the project follow the plan of successful completion in an orderly and responsible way?