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## LANDOWNER CHECKLIST

**Note:** Each item below is not applicable to every property. This is a list of suggestions to guide you in choosing ways to bring conservation into your home landscape. For certification purposes, at least one criteria must be met from each category, with a total of ten criteria fulfilled.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### 1. Native Vegetation

- Native plants incorporated into existing landscape beds
- Native trees and shrubs incorporated into existing landscape
- Using diversity of native plant types– forbs, grasses, shrubs, trees
- Managing property for invasive species

### 2. Water Stewardship

- Downspouts directed to vegetated area instead of pavement
- Rain barrel in use
- Native vegetation used to slow run-off
- Rain garden used to capture stormwater

### 3. Yard Management

- Electric, push, or mulching mower used
- Compost bin or pile used for yard waste and/or food scraps
- Use of fertilizers and herbicides minimized
- Spot pesticide use only
- Paths installed for access
- If service used, check into their practices

### 4. Wildlife Habitat

- Bird feeders provided
- Bird, bat, or bee houses provided
- Water provided (bird bath, fountain, pond)
- Brush piles/other habitat
- Leave standing vegetation and leaves in landscape beds over winter

**Nature Champion: BONUS**

- Recruit 2 or more neighbors for a C@H site visit
- Mentor 2 or more neighbors on sustainable landscaping practices.
- Willing to host a group tour of your property's eco-features
- Encourage youth environmental exploration amongst native plantings.

For office use only:

Site Visit Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Certification Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Amount: \_\_\_\_\_ Method: \_\_\_\_\_