## Certification Determination Form

**Participant(s):** ____________________________

**Address:** ____________________________________________

**City / State / Zip:** ______________________________________

**Phone #:** ____________________________ Date: ________________

### I. Noxious Weeds Present

#### Silver Level Weeds
- [ ] Armenian Blackberry
- [ ] Evergreen Blackberry
- [ ] Garlic Mustard
- [ ] Giant Hogweed
- [ ] Ivy (all cultivars)
- [ ] Knotweed
- [ ] Meadow Hawkweed
- [ ] Pokeweed
- [ ] Policeman’s Helmet
- [ ] Purple Loosestrife
- [ ] Scot’s Broom
- [ ] Spotted/Meadow & Diffuse Knapweed
- [ ] Spurge Laurel
- [ ] Traveler’s Joy
- [ ] Yellow Archangel
- [ ] Yellow Flag Iris

#### Gold Level Weeds *All silver level weeds also need to be removed for Gold certification
- [ ] Butterfly Bush
- [ ] False Brome
- [ ] Hedge Bindweed
- [ ] Italian Arum
- [ ] Japanese Butterbur
- [ ] Lesser Celandine
- [ ] Pampas/Jubata Grass
- [ ] Robert Geranium
- [ ] Shining Geranium
- [ ] Black Locust (<20ft)
- [ ] English Hawthorn (<20ft)
- [ ] English Holly (<20ft)
- [ ] Norway Maple (<20ft)
- [ ] Tree-of-Heaven (<20ft)

#### Platinum Level Weeds *All silver + gold level weeds also need to be removed for Platinum certification
- [ ] Creeping Jenny
- [ ] English/Portuguese Laurel
- [ ] Fennel
- [ ] Small/Large-leaf Periwinkle
- [ ] Reed Canarygrass/ Ribbon Grass
- [ ] Black Locust (>20ft)
- [ ] English Hawthorn (>20ft)
- [ ] English Holly (>20ft)
- [ ] Norway Maple (>20ft)
- [ ] Tree-of-Heaven (>20ft)

### II. Naturescaping with Native Plants

1. **Canopy Layers:** Check all present. 3 canopy layers needed for Silver, 4 for Gold, 5 for Platinum.
   - [ ] Ground Cover, Grasses
   - [ ] Small Shrubs & Ferns (Up to 5ft)
   - [ ] Large Shrubs (Up to 20ft)
   - [ ] Small Trees (Up to 30ft)
   - [ ] Large Trees (More than 30ft)

2. **Percentage of Site Naturescaped:** 5% needed for Silver, 15% for Gold, 50% for Platinum.

   *Calculation:* Estimated naturescaped area (___________ sq ft) \( \div \) by total plantable area (listed on their Site Report) (___________ sq ft) \( \times \) 100 = _________% Naturescaped

3. NATIVE trees, shrubs, & ground cover they’ve planted since working towards certification:

   # Native trees added __________ # All other native plants added __________

4. Are there any Oregon white oak (*Quercus garryana*) present on the site (of any size)?
   - [ ] No Oregon white oak present.
   - [ ] Oregon white oak(s) present. No oakscaping.
   - [ ] Oregon white oak(s) present with oakscaping.

Submit the information on this form on-line at: https://backyardhabitats.wufoo.com/forms/certification-determination-form/
III. Pesticides Reduction

**Silver**
- No use of RED zone (high hazard)
- Always uses IPM strategy

**Gold**
- No use of YELLOW zone (moderate hazard)
- + silver level items

**Platinum**
- Metro No Pesticide Pledge
- + gold level items

IV. Wildlife Stewardship

1. Does the participant have cats? **Check one only.** Silver: cat can be outdoors. Gold: if cat is indoor/outdoor, must have strong plan to reduce negative impacts to wildlife. Platinum: cat must be kept indoor or enclosed outdoor (i.e. catio, etc).
   - No
   - Indoor/Outdoor with plan
   - Indoor Only or Enclosed

2. Wildlife Stewardship Menu Items: **Check all present.** 1 item needed for Silver; 2 for Gold; 3 for Platinum.
   - Wildlife Water Feature: natural source, maintained (weekly) bird/bug bath, etc.
   - Cats Indoors: or in an outdoor enclosure (required for platinum)
   - Bird/Bat Nest Boxes: appropriate for native species, clean annually
   - Pollinator & Beneficial Insect Nesting Habitat: small brush/rock piles, bundles of stems and branches, mason bee house
   - Snags and Nurse Logs: provide dead wood on site, >5ft long
   - Reduced Outdoor Lighting: outdoor lights off during migration; Mar-May, Sept-Nov
   - Reduced Bird/Window Collisions: assess problem windows, treat to reduce strikes
   - Native Pollinator Meadow: native forbs/grasses which bloom through the growing season

V. Stormwater Management: **Check all present.** 1 item needed for Silver; 2 for Gold; 3 for Platinum.

   - Large Canopy Tree: over 30ft, cannot be nuisance species
   - Disconnected Downspouts: where appropriate
   - Raingardens: manage stormwater onsite, where appropriate
   - Remove Impervious Surfaces and/or Grass: more than 500ft2
   - Ecoroof: according to their city’s specifications
   - Increase Naturescaping: to 10% higher than their certification level requirement
   - Restore Soils: leave the leaves, sheet mulching
   - Water Conservation: eliminate lawn irrigation, water plants in morning and evening only
   - Adopt Eco-Friendly Maintenance Practices: petroleum-free yard care + responsible fertilizer use or participant is using landscapers from BHCP Landscaper Directory

VI. Education and Volunteerism: 0 required for Silver & Gold; 2 required for Platinum.

1. ________________________________  2. ________________________________

**Certification Level Awarded = _____________**