

Official Keystone 10 Million Trees Partnership partners should use this site evaluation form as a guide to inform their decision on using partnership trees, supplies, and funds towards planting projects.

If the project you are evaluating does not apply to both a *priority region* and a *priority site condition* below it is not recommended for submission to the partnership tree request form.

Highest priority sites are noted within each priority site conditions. It is recommended for partners to focus most of the projects in Priority 1 areas, with a secondary focus on Priority 2 areas, and a third focus on Priority 3-5 areas.

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| Partner Name | Phone | Email | |
| Landowner Name | Phone | Email | |
| Planting Site Contact Name | Phone | Email | |
| Physical Address of Proposed Planting Site | County | Municipality/Borough/Township/City | |
| Mailing Address | City | State | Zip |

Location Description: Riparian Upland Stormwater Urban Mineland

Priority Regions

- PRIORITY 1—60% OF PROJECTS: South Central Pennsylvania Tier 1 & 2 Chesapeake Bay Watershed Phase 3 Watershed Implementation Plan counties—Lancaster, York, Franklin, Lebanon, Cumberland, Centre, Bedford Counties**
- PRIORITY 2—30% OF PROJECTS: Chesapeake Bay Watershed Implementation Plan Tier 3 counties—Adams, Northumberland, Perry, Snyder, Huntingdon, Columbia, Mifflin, Lycoming, Schuylkill, Bradford, Juniata, Clinton, Tioga, Susquehanna, Clearfield, Fulton**
- PRIORITY 3-5—10% OF PROJECTS (select one below):**
 - PRIORITY 3: Chesapeake Bay Watershed Implementation Plan Tier 4 counties—Union, Chester, Dauphin, Berks, Blair, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Montour, Cambria, Sullivan, Potter, Somerset, Wyoming, Elk, Indiana, Cameron, Wayne**
 - PRIORITY 4*:** Philadelphia & Surrounding Suburbs, Pittsburgh & Surrounding Suburbs, Erie & Surrounding Suburbs*
 - PRIORITY 5*:** Eastern and Western Counties not in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed*

*While recommended for all planting projects, *when possible*, projects in Priority 4-5 regions are expected to invite local leaders, legislators, and officials to planting events in order to address the concern for clean water issues

Priority Site Conditions

- PRIORITY 1—RIPARIAN:** Area is immediately adjacent and parallel to a water body.
 - Highest Priority:** Area previously/currently used as ag land
 - Highest Priority:** Stream having perennial flow
 - Highest Priority:** Stream having seasonal or intermittent flow
 - Sinkhole or karst area
 - Permanent water body such as lake or pond
 - Silvopasture
 - Wetland; permanently flooded
 - Wetland; intermittently flooded
 - Wetland; semi permanently flooded
 - Wetland; seasonally flooded
 - Forested: Area having diseased/dying tree canopy
 - Forested: Area having experienced tree loss related to natural disaster

Current cover type in area: _____
Current land use in area: _____
Proposed width of buffer of side 1: _____
Proposed width of buffer of side 2: _____
Proposed length of side 1: _____
Proposed length of side 2: _____
Proposed acreage of planting site: _____

- PRIORITY 1—UPLAND:** Area is upland from a water body.
- Highest Priority:** Area previously/currently used as ag land
 - Highest Priority:** Area having observable flow path during storm events
 - Highest Priority:** Stream having seasonal or intermittent flow
 - Highest Priority:** Area connects forest corridors/riparian areas
 - Silvopasture
 - Area having poor soil quality
 - Forested: Area having diseased/dying tree canopy
 - Forested: Area having experienced tree loss related to natural disaster

Current cover type in area: _____
Current land use in area: _____
Proposed acreage of planting site: _____

- PRIORITY 2: STORMWATER:** Area having impact by stormwater.
- Highest Priority:** Area having stormwater runoff (<https://www.epa.gov/water-research/national-stormwater-calculator>)
 - Highest Priority:** Area identified as an MS4 project
 - Forested: Area having diseased/dying tree canopy
 - Forested: Area having experienced tree loss related to natural disaster

Current cover type in area: _____
Current land use in area: _____
Proposed acreage of planting site: _____

- PRIORITY 2: URBAN:** Area having dense population:
- Highest Priority:** Area having minimum tree shade cover
 - Highest Priority:** Area in impoverished/low income neighborhood
 - Area having minimum tree biodiversity
 - Area having diseased/dying tree canopy
 - Forested: Area having experienced tree loss related to natural disaster

Proposed number of street trees requested: _____
Proposed number of containerized trees requested: _____

- PRIORITY 3: MINE LAND:** Area having been formerly mined:
- Highest Priority:** Stream having perennial flow
 - Highest Priority:** Stream having seasonal or intermittent flow
 - Area is upland from a water body or has wetlands
 - Area having a failed tree planting due to failed/obsolete reclamation methods
 - Forested: Area having diseased/dying tree canopy
 - Forested: Area having experienced tree loss related to natural disaster

Current cover type in area: _____
Current land use in area: _____
Proposed acreage of planting site: _____

Site Preparation

Sites with high levels of noxious plants should have noxious/invasive plants adequately controlled before planting

Indicate site preparation recommendations:

- Mowing and/or herbicide
- Noxious/invasive plant removal
- Diseased/dying tree removal
- Soil ripping as per forestry reclamation approach (mine land)
- Soil treatment
- Legacy sediment removal
- Bank grading/frading of site
- MS4 Permit
- Urban street tree planting permit
- HOA Permit
- Stormwater construction

Who will be completing site preparation? _____

Who will be paying for site preparation? _____

Stewardship

Does the landowner understand that they will be responsible for the cost, care, survival, replacement, and stewardship of trees and tree planting site and that trees are to remain in place through their maturity* and shall not be harvested/removed until tree has reached its species maturation*? **maturation is as recommended by partner*

- YES—Landowner agrees to cost, care survival, replacement and stewardship
- NO—Landowner is not capable of care but other provisions (contractor, volunteers, etc.) are in place to ensure care of buffer.

Have you provided the landowner with the necessary education tools for expected cost, care, survival, replacement and stewardship of tree planting site?

- YES—Landowner has received education tools
- NO—Landowner has not received education tools but will be provided with education tools prior to planting

Does landowner request assistance in finding a paid contractor to steward site?

- YES—Landowner needs assistance in finding local contractor and will pay contractor
- NO—Landowner will steward site with their own resources

Does landowner request assistance, because of cost and/or time prohibitor, to maintain tree planting site via volunteer?

- YES—Landowner will allow a **volunteer tree steward** onsite, or will apply for funds through a grant or other partner program, due to cost/time prohibitions in caring for site
- NO—Landowner will steward site with their own resources

Does partner, working with landowner, agree to track and log the trees in the Keystone 10 Million Trees Partnership 'tree tracker' within 30 days of planting?

- YES NO

Payment for Practice

Is the landowner interested in being referred to a Government program that may pay a rental payment for an enrolled qualified tree planting site?

- YES—Landowner would like to be referred to Government Agency
- NO

If it becomes available, is the landowner interested in being referred to a non-Government program that may provide payment/reimbursement/perk for an enrolled qualified tree planting site?

- YES—Landowner would like information on this program when it comes available
- NO

Documentation

Provide information supporting the determination of each element in this section.

- Notes
- Photos
- Map
- Electronic File with GPS Points or GIS Shapefile
- Other: _____

Field visit completed by: _____ Date: _____

Recommendations: