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| **Landowner Information** |
| Name of Landowner(s):       |
| Mailing Address:       |
| City, State, Zip:       |
| Phone:       | Phone:       |
| Email:       |
| **Project Location Information** |
| Project Address (if different than above):       |
| City, State, Zip:       |
| **Primary Grant Contact** |
| Primary Grant Contact (if different than above):       |
| Phone:       | Email:       |

**Type of Applicant** (check applicable box)

Residential[ ]  501(c)(3) nonprofit [ ]  Business or corporation [ ]

Association [ ]  School [ ]  Public agency or local government unit [ ]

**Proposal Information**

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| Project Type (e.g. raingarden, shoreline buffer):       |
| Give a 2-3 sentence summary of funding request:      |
| Estimated project start and end dates:       |
| Total project budget:       | Grant request:       |
| [Property ID Number (PID)](http://www16.co.hennepin.mn.us/pins/addrsrch.jsp):       |

**Authorization**

Name(s) of landowner or responsible party:

Signature(s):             Date:

**Before filling out this application, you must read the Stewardship Grant Guidelines at:** [**ninemilecreek.org/wp-content/uploads/Stewardship-Grant-Guidelines.pdf**](https://www.ninemilecreek.org/wp-content/uploads/Stewardship-Grant-Guidelines.pdf)

1. **Project Narrative**
	1. Briefly describe the current condition of the property and past site management, as it relates to your proposed project.

* 1. Give a description of your proposed project. Include why you are doing the project, the project objectives (including how it supports one or more cost share program goals), and expected outcomes. Who will be performing the work?

*The grant project must support one or more of the cost share program goals:*

* *Improve water quality or increase the capacity of the watershed to infiltrate or store water*
* *Protect and preserve groundwater quality and quantity*
* *Preserve, protect, and restore native plant and wildlife habitats, with emphasis on lakes, rivers, and wetlands*

* 1. Provide a project timeline.

*Grantees have one year from the time a grant agreement is signed to complete the stewardship grant project. Grant agreements are typically signed mid- to late-May.*

* 1. What will the impacts to neighboring properties be, if any?

1. **Education Value**
2. How will you share the results of your project and work to inform others about your project’s environmental benefits? *(Need inspiration?* [*Check out these examples*](http://www.ninemilecreek.org/wp-content/uploads/Cost-Share-Education-Ideas.pdf)*)*

1. Discuss the location of your project in terms of the visibility of the project to the public.

1. May we share your project with the community on our website, social and other media?

[ ]  Yes [ ]  No

1. Could we highlight your project on a tour or training event (with prior notice and agreement)?

[ ]  Yes [ ]  No

1. **Project Maintenance**

*Cost share grantees are required to enter into a maintenance agreement with Nine Mile Creek Watershed District (NMCWD) and submit a brief yearly report during the maintenance period.* *The minimum maintenance agreement length is five years. For project receiving over $5,000, NMCWD requires a ten-year maintenance agreement.*

Explain how the project will be maintained during the maintenance agreement period and identify who will perform the maintenance.

*Contact Erica, Program & Project Manager, with questions prior to submitting your application:*

*952-358-2276 or* *esniegowski@ninemilecreek.org**.*