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Informed Consent, Assumption of Risk, and Release of Liability Agreement for Performance of Homeowner Interview and Site Assessment

Howard County Watershed Stewards Academy ("HoCoWSA") provides on-site assessment and consulting services (the "Activities") by Certified Watershed Stewards, WSA members, WSA associates and/or WSA volunteers, for the purposes of providing education, suggestions, and demonstrating stormwater runoff reduction methods.

In consideration for HoCoWSA's services and the right to participate in the Activities (including interviews and site assessments), I, on behalf of myself and, if applicable, my spouse, children, parents, guardians, next of kin, heirs, and any legal and personal representatives hereby represent and agree as follows:

1. I, [insert name] _____, am the legal property owner and/or manager of the property located at [insert address] _____(the Property").
2. I grant permission to HoCoWSA, its members, associates, and/or volunteers, to engage in planned activities at my property including but not limited to:
 - a) Assessing the Property for initial evaluation, follow-up evaluation, and data collection;
 - b) Performing the initial assessment of stormwater concerns;
 - c) Performing other data collection and information gathering on the Property, such as taking photographs, measurements, and samples (e.g., soil samples, water samples), and performing applicable tests (e.g., infiltration testing).
3. I understand and acknowledge that the Activities, like all activities, may involve health, safety, and other risks and hazards, both minor and serious, some of which may not be currently known or readily foreseeable and some of which may not be preventable ("Risks"). Such Risks include, but are not limited to, personal injury and property damage.
4. Knowing the Risks associated with the Activities, I voluntarily assume all responsibility and risk of loss, damage, illness, and/or injury to person or property that I may in any way sustain in connection with the Activities.
5. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I hereby release and forever discharge, and agree not to sue, and to indemnify and hold harmless HoCoWSA and its officers, agents, employees, and volunteers from and against any and all costs, liabilities, expenses, claims, demands, and causes of action of any kind on account of any loss, damage, illness, or injury to person or property in any way arising out of or relating to the Activities, whether due to negligence, default, or other action or inaction of any person or entity.



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I certify that I am 18 years of age or older and that I have read and fully understand this informed consent, assumption of risk and release of liability agreement, and I sign it voluntarily with full knowledge of its legal significance.

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Site Address: _____

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