



Northern Neck Master Gardeners Shoreline Evaluation Program Registration



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Reduction of sediment pollution from residential properties is one of the major challenges facing the restoration of Chesapeake Bay. The Shoreline Evaluation Program (SEP) was established to help address this challenge. The program is designed to help waterfront homeowners improve the protection of their property in ways that also reduce sediment runoff into their nearshore waters. Using know-how from the Virginia Institute for Marine Science and the Virginia Cooperative Extension, SEP volunteers provide an on-site evaluation of property protection from both seawater and stormwater. Following the site visit, SEP prepares a written report with specific integrated shoreline protection recommendations. Included with the report is a copy of the SEP *Homeowners Guide to Shoreline Management* that contains extensive shoreline protection and landscape information.

To register, please complete this form and the questionnaire and mail them to the address below together with a check for \$60 made payable to NNMG. The fee covers the costs of the evaluation materials, printing and postage. Any excess is used in the SEP educational and communications programs.

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Name: _____

Address _____ City: _____ Zip _____

Phone: (____) _____ E-mail: _____

Best time to call to schedule an evaluation: _____

- Please check if you agree to a follow-up visit during the 12 months after the evaluation so that we may obtain your feedback and determine whether the report and the recommendations were of value to you.
- Please check if you want to receive emails about other Extension Master Gardener programs and activities.

Office Use Only:

Received: _____ Date of Visit: _____ Check #: _____ Amount: \$ _____

Master Gardeners SEP Team: _____ and _____

Recommendations provided: _____ (date)



Northern Neck Master Gardeners Shoreline Evaluation Program Questionnaire



Please complete this questionnaire **as best as you can** and return it to the Northern Neck Master Gardeners with the Registration form and your payment. Do not worry if you do not have all the information. Please try to give us as much accurate information about your property as possible.

If possible, please attach photographs that illustrate your concerns.

Name: _____

Address of Property: _____

County: _____ Body of water: _____

Is this a part time home? No ___ Yes ___

If yes, what is your preferred mailing address?

_____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Length of property ownership? _____ years. Size of property? _____ acres

How far is your house from the mean high-tide line? _____ feet

Briefly describe your shoreline concerns:

Shoreline Questions:

Has your shoreline noticeably receded during the past two years? No ___ Yes ___

Is your shoreline vulnerable to storms? No ___ Yes ___

Do you have frequent, seasonal boat traffic? No ___ Yes ___

What is your shoreline measurement in feet? _____

Which direction does your shoreline face (circle all that apply): N S E W

Please list the type of vegetation present on your shoreline.

_____ mature canopy trees _____ mid-story trees _____ shrubs
_____ ground covers _____ marsh grass _____ turf
_____ other (please describe)

Have you or previous owners implemented remedies for problems on your shoreline? (Check all that apply and indicate whether or not they are still serviceable.)

- A. ___ Bulkhead: (a sea wall designed to prevent overtopping, flooding, or sliding of the land)
- B. ___ Riprap
- C. ___ Groins/jetties
- D. ___ Marsh toe or sill/stabilization

Do your neighbors have any of the above? (please circle all that apply)

Neighbor to the right when facing the water. A B C D

Neighbor to the left when facing the water. A B C D

Bank Conditions:

Is the height of your bank uniform? No ___ Yes ___ If yes: Height ___ feet

If not uniform, what is the highest measurement _____, the lowest _____

Upland Conditions:

Does your land slope down to the bank/shoreline? No ___ Yes ___

Do you have gullies or channels that run down to the shoreline? No ___ Yes ___

Are there gutters on your house or on other structures? No ___ Yes ___

If yes, do they empty into or onto:

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| ___ splash blocks | ___ rain barrels |
| ___ dry well/s | ___ none of the above |

What percentage of your property is lawn (make a guess)? _____

What is the ultimate goal for your shoreline? (circle all that apply)

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| A. Shoreline protection | B. Shoreline restoration |
| C. Storm water management | D. Habitat development or enhancement |
| E. Improved water quality | F. Other |

How did you hear about this program?

What outcomes are you expecting from a visit from the Master Gardeners? _____

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