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Shoreline Greenbelt Program: Landowner Interest Form

Greenbelts are zones of natural vegetation along the shoreline that are used to help filter pollutants, stabilize shorelines, and provide key habitat. Areas of excessive shoreline erosion along lakes and streams are often in areas where trees and shrubs have been removed. If you have an interest in working with the Higgins Lake Foundation to complete a greenbelt installation/enhancement project, please complete the questions below in order for us to make a preliminary evaluation.

You may be eligible for a 50/50 cost match provided by the Higgins Lake Foundation. The maximum match fund for a greenbelt is \$500 per site, for a seawall removal the match is \$1,000 per site.

Section 1: Higgins Lake Site Information

Property Owner Name: _____

Riparian Property Address: _____

County/Township: _____

Permanent Home Mailing Address: _____

Phone: (_____) _____

Section 2: Overview of Property

What sort of activities do you use your shoreline for?

What do you want your shoreline to look like?

How much money/time are you willing to spend on a greenbelt project?

What changes have taken place at your shoreline over the years?

What changes have taken place at the adjacent shorelines?

If you have an erosion problem, how long has the problem been occurring?

How much shoreline has been lost?

Is the problem getting worse, staying about the same, or improving?

Structures located along shoreline (circle):

| | | | |
|------------|------------|-------------|--------|
| Dock | Boat Hoist | Boat Launch | Stairs |
| Boat House | Sea Wall | Other _____ | |

Section 3: Site Conditions

1. Shoreline Soils (circle all that apply):

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|-------------|------|------|------|--------|
| Upland: | Clay | Silt | Sand | Gravel |
| Bank Slope: | Clay | Silt | Sand | Gravel |

2. Bank Condition: Upper bank eroding _____ Erosion at water's edge _____
Length of eroding bank: _____ Height of eroding bank: _____

3. Amount of vegetative cover on bank slope: 1-10% 10-50% 50-100%

4. Presence of vegetative buffer/greenbelt: Yes No

Section 4: Site photos

Please return this form to the address at the top of page 1, along with a photo of your shoreline.

You may also attach the form and photos to an e mail and send to info@higgins-lakefoundation.org