

A P P E N D I X 4

HOME LANDSCAPE AUDIT: LONG-TERM PLANNING

Inventory your home landscape conditions and existing uses. Once you've filled out this chart, show the appropriate details on your base map.

ASSESS YOUR SITE	EXISTING SITE USE	NOTES FOR IMPROVEMENT
Wind Direction (<i>circle one</i>) 1 Summer Winds: N S E W 1 Winter Winds: N S E W	Buildings (_____%) 1 Residence 1 Utility 1 Garage	
Sunny Areas 1 % in summer 1 % in winter	Yard Areas (_____%) 1 Open Area 1 Play area 1 Other use	
Shady Areas 1 % morning shade 1 % afternoon shade	Paths / Roads (_____%) 1 People 1 Cars, vehicle access 1 Paved area	
Water Drainage 1 % overall well drained areas _____ 1 % overall poorly drained areas _____	Service Areas (_____%) 1 Trash Cans 1 Fuel delivery tanks 1 Outside storage 1 Inside storage	
Grading 1 Sloped areas 1 Embankments 1 Walls	Vehicle Parking 1 Garage 1 Paved surface 1 Pavers	
Soils 1 Types of dominant soils 1 % of soil compacted _____ 1 % of soil exposed _____ 1 Soil test for pH	Utilities (_____%) 1 Poles 1 Lights 1 Pipes 1 Buried cable	
Plants 1 Ground cover 1 Shade trees 1 Accent trees 1 Foundation shrubs 1 Accent shrubs 1 Vines	Other (_____%) 	

List and prioritize your different landscape functions.

LANDSCAPE FUNCTIONS	DESIRED/ REQUIRED	PRIORITY			ACTION REQUIRED
		High	Med.	Low	
1 Provide Privacy					
1 Provide Recreational Area					
1 Easy to maintain					
1 Provide hobby activities					
1 Grow fruits and vegetables					
1 Conserve fuel					
1 Provide color (flowers)					
1 Provide sunny area					
1 Provide shady area					
1 Protect from wind					
1 Screen away views					
1 Provide safety / security					
1 Provide additional parking					
1 Provide pet area					
1 Offer quiet, woody area					
1 Offer picnic /barbeque area					
1 Provide clothes-drying area					
1 Landscape structures /walls					
1 Provide sitting area					
1 Offer habitat for birds / wildlife					
1 Reduce foot traffic					
1 Share open space					
1 Provide storage (tools/toys)					
1 Provide composting area					
1 Provide potting table / shed					
1 Provide wildlife habitat					
1 Other:					

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