# **RIPARIAN TREE PLANTING PROGRAM - APPLICATION FORM**

## Seine Rat Roseau Watershed District

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**Program objective:** Assist landowners with the protection and restoration of corridor areas along waterways (known as riparian habitat) by planting trees and shrubs (willows) in an effort to reduce stream bank erosion, and improve downstream water quality.

Applicant:	_ Phone #:
Mailing Address:	
E-mail:	
Project Site (Qtr, Sec-Twp-Rge):	
Civic Address (driveway number & road):	
Name of Waterway that project is located on or nearest to:	
Type of project(s):	
Willow Planting (For erosion control) Unders Tree Buffer Establishment (For areas with little or r	tory Planting (For old stands with no young growth)

### Project Site Sketch:

Draw approximate planting location(s). Show stream channel, access point, roads, buildings, landmarks, and hazards.

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# **Terms and Conditions**

#### Willow Planting:

- To enhance the stability of the waterway shoreline areas, and reduce further soil loss and erosion through the planting of native sandbar willow shrubs.
- The SRRCD will provide live willow stakes and conduct the planting along designated river bank, as per agreed upon design.
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#### **Understory Planting:**

- To establish woody understory in riparian buffers with existing mature trees in order to provide a means of vegetative succession and more functional riparian areas.
- The SRRCD will provide tree seedlings and conduct the planting along designated river bank, as per agreed upon design.
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### Tree Buffer Establishment:

- To protect against erosion and filter nutrients before they reach a waterway through the planting of riparian tree species in areas where trees are not present or have largely been removed.
- The SRRCD will work with landowners to provide technical advice and financial assistance with a maximum contribution of \$1000 to cover the tree costs of establishing an effective buffer area. All projects are contingent on the weather and available tree stock.

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#### The Landowner shall:

- Not alter, change, remove or modify the project without the written consent of the SRRCD
- Be responsible for all associated maintenance of the project. (i.e. mowing, fencing out livestock, etc.)
- Indemnify and save harmless the SRRCD from any and all actions, claims, suits, damages, injuries, or other loss no matter howsoever arising as a result of the construction, operation or maintenance of the project.

#### The Seine-Rat River Conservation District shall:

- Conduct a riparian area assessment after receiving a completed application and determine if a project is required, feasible, and eligible for the riparian area management program.
- Inform all applicants of their outcome of their application.
- Provide long term technical advice to landowner.
- Retain the right and privilege of preserving and publicizing the Project (i.e., posting signage, referencing the site in media releases).

#### **General Information:**

The annual projects resulting from this program are subject to available annual funding. The SRRCD will determine application priorities in consultation with sub-district members and Board staff.

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ hereby authorize you, your engineers, agents, and/or employees with the necessary equipment, to enter upon the aforementioned land for the purpose of tree planting. I hereby declare that I have read the Conditions and I agree to abide to the said Conditions. I further agree to cooperate with the Conservation District in this regard.

Applicant signature Date **OFFICE USE ONLY** Sub-district \_\_\_\_\_ Approved Denied Comments Sub-district Recommendation: Board Recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Order #: \_\_\_\_\_ Resolution #: