Home Garden and Landscape Site Assessment Checklist

Date of review_______________  Site location_______________

Size of site_______________  Site orientation_______________

Limitations to space:

☐ utilities marked and noted on sketch
☐ overhead wires (height: ________)

Sunlight levels:  ☐ full sun (6 hrs. +)  ☐ partial sun/filtered light  ☐ shade

Sunset Zone:  USDA Zone:

Microclimatic description:

Wind:  ☐ overall windy site  ☐ windy in isolated sections  ☐ relatively calm

Soil Factors

Compaction:  ☐ severely compacted  ☐ moderately compacted
☐ somewhat compacted  ☐ not compacted

Drainage:  ☐ wet  ☐ well-drained  ☐ low lying spots

Drainage test results (in/hr):

☐ poorly drained (less than 4” per hour)
☐ moderately drained (4-8” per hour)
☐ excessively drained (more than 8” per hour)

Texture:  ☐ clay  ☐ loam  ☐ sand

Range of pH levels:

Irrigation system description:

Observations:  ☐ recent construction  ☐ excessive salt  ☐ topsoil removed
☐ slopes to consider  ☐ erosion  ☐ soil contamination

Existing plants:  total number of trees __________
(total number of shrubs __________
☐ presence of noxious weeds

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