



Riparian Stewardship Program Application Form

Program Objectives:

- To improve water quality by stabilizing riparian areas and eliminating wastes from entering rivers, streams, wetlands and lakes with the establishment of a permanent fence;
- To promote the importance of surface water quality; and
- To protect natural habitat for fish and wildlife use.

Eligibility:

- Land must be within the Turtle Mountain Conservation District;
- The registered landowner and renter must make out all applications;
- Priority will be given to projects where the water body is at risk of contamination due to the presence of livestock, however all projects will be considered pending budget allocation;
- The fence must be installed with a minimum 3-meter distance from the water's edge (high water line); and
- The fence must be considered to be a permanent fencing system using barbed wire (3-strand) or high tensile (single or double strand).

Cost-sharing:

- The Turtle Mountain CD will share the cost of riparian stewardship program fencing materials with the landowner. The TMCD will pay **50% of the total project cost** (may include posts, wire, staples, etc.) up to a **maximum of \$1,000**.

Application deadline: This application must be completed and received by **June 30 annually**. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Supporting documents: All supporting documents (project map/details and original, itemized paid receipts) must be submitted to the TMCD on or before December 30 annually. (Contact a TMCD staff member to request an aerial photo in order to map and describe your project).

NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____
(Box Number) (Town) (Postal Code)

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____ E-MAIL: _____

LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: _____
(Quarter) (Section) (Township) (Range) (e.g. NW 1-2-3)

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

General Terms and Conditions:

- The fence must be considered a permanent fencing system (3-strand barbed wire or single or double high tensile), no temporary fencing will be allowed;
- The fence must be installed with a minimum 3-meter distance from the water's edge (high water line);
- Replacement materials or regular maintenance costs are ineligible for assistance;
- The riparian stewardship project must be implemented within the TMCD;
- Failure of a landowner/renter to meet Landowner Responsibilities may negate him / her from other Conservation District programs.

Please read all terms and conditions on the following page.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS (continued)

Landowner Responsibility:

- The proper application must be completed in full, which is to be submitted to the TMCD office;
- Copies of itemized paid receipts must be received at the TMCD office;
- Install the riparian stewardship project within a year from date of approval;
- Not alter, change, remove or modify the project without written consent of the District for 5 years;
- Be responsible for reasonable maintenance of the project;
- Provide access for inspection or evaluation by TMCD Staff or Board when requested;
- Consent to the TMCD establishing appropriate signage for the project if desired;

Conservation District Responsibility:

- Notify landowners regarding the approval / disapproval of applications;
- Provide aerial photographs of the project land for application purposes;
- Inspect the project upon completion;
- Reimburse applicants for the appropriate share following receipt of original itemized paid receipts; and
- Retain the option to erect signage promoting the Riparian Stewardship program.

For more information on fencing and to use the fencing calculator please visit www.riparianhealth.ca.

It is understood that this agreement shall indemnify and save harmless the Turtle Mountain Conservation District #4, their agents, engineers, servants and/or employees from any liability which may result from the execution of the project.

I hereby declare that I have read the conditions of the Riparian Stewardship Program and that I agree to abide by the terms of the policy; and that I agree to co-operate to the fullest extent with the Turtle Mountain Conservation District #4 in completing and maintaining the project as outlined above.

Date: _____

Signature: _____
(Registered landowner or renter)

Please return your **Application Form, paid receipts** to:

For more information, contact the TMCD at:

Turtle Mountain Conservation District
Box 508
Deloraine, Manitoba
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Phone: 747-2530
Fax: 747-2956
E-mail: info@tmcd.ca
Website: www.tmcd.ca

Funding for this program is reviewed on a year-to-year basis and projects will be funded, as money is available and subject to project approval.

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Date received: _____	Date approved: _____