LANDOWNER AGREEMENT FORM CRANBERRY BOGS AND COASTAL WETLANDS RESTORATION GRANTS MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF FISH & GAME DIVISION OF ECOLOGICAL RESTORATION (DER)

(Note: this form must be completed by the landowner even if they are also the grant applicant; each landowner must complete a separate Landowner Agreement Form)

As the landowner and/or designated and authorized representative of the proposed project property, this document serves to express my support of and commitment to the following Grant Application:

Applicant Name:

Applicant Email/Phone:

Project Name:

Property Name (if project contains more than one property):

I affirm my interest in and commitment to the proposed project and restoration work, including Planning & Design and or Construction; and authorize access to the specific project site and surrounding property for the duration of the project, if funded, by the Division of Ecological Restoration (DER) and Applicant/Project Team (*if the applicant is not the landowner*) as part of DER's review of the proposed project application and to complete project Planning & Design and or Construction activities. DER and Applicant/Project Team (*if the applicant is not the landowner*) will provide adequate notice prior to any planned site visit or field work activity and welcome landowner participation.

Further, I commit to pursue good-faith and sustained efforts to support DER and Applicant/Project Team (*if the applicant is not the landowner*) for the duration of the project, if funded, as mutually agreed upon by me, Applicant (*if the applicant is not the landowner*), and DER.

I agree, or designate the following person, to serve as the Applicant's (*if the applicant is not the landowner*) and DER's primary point of contact for the duration of the project, if funded. The primary contact is responsible for maintaining regular communications with the Applicant (*if the applicant is not the landowner*) and DER on all project-related activities. If the Landowner is also the Applicant, the designate listed below should be the same as the Project Lead listed in the Grant Application.

Printed Name

Phone #

Email Address

Nothing stated herein shall legally obligate the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, Department of Fish and Game, or Division of Ecological Restoration to expend any funds or provide technical assistance in excess of current appropriations or otherwise prohibited by law or contractual agreement.

The Division of Ecological Restoration reserves the right to terminate its efforts at any time, for any reason, at its sole discretion. Notice of termination will be made in writing by DER with a minimum notice of 10 business days.

For proposed Cranberry Bog Construction Funding Type Grant Applicants ONLY, proof that

lands/properties are protected prior to construction implementation (as described in RFR Section 1.4 E c&d) is required and considered protected if more than 75% of the restored, natural aquatic habitat includes:

- Conservation easement/restriction, e.g., with USDA NRCS or a Land Trust;

- Public land, i.e., owned by a municipality, county, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Tribal government, and/or Federal government;

- Ownership by a conservation non-governmental organization whose mission/charter involves natural resources protection and management, including land and water resources; and/or

- Other type of permanent protection explicitly approved by DER

If proof of land protection is not on file with DER via ongoing Priority Project activities, proof of land protection **must** be submitted with this Landowner Agreement Form, which as part of the Application.

I affirm (please check the appropriate box below; select only one box):

□ This property is not part of a Construction Funding Type Grant Application

□ This property is part of a Construction Funding Type Grant Application, but is not currently protected

□ This property is part of a Construction Funding Type Grant Application, not currently protected, but protection is being sought; and **documentation is attached**

□ Proof of land protection is on file with DER via ongoing Priority Project activities (attach any available documentation)

□ More than 75% of the restored, natural aquatic habitat on this property includes Conservation Easement/Restriction, Public land, Ownership by a Conservation NGO, and/or Other type of permanent protection explicitly approved by DER; and **documentation is attached**

LANDOWNER AND/OR DESIGNATED AND AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

Printed Name	Signature	Date
Phone #	Email Address	