



**Maintenance Agreement for
Residential Rain Gardens and Native Plants**

Applicant Contact: _____

Property Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

General maintenance guidelines for native plants and rain gardens can be found in the Iowa Stormwater Management Manual. Please refer to this source for more information and maintenance guidelines for practices not listed below.

Maintenance for native plants and rain gardens include:

- Water for the first year and during droughts.
- Inspect for vegetation disease or pest problems. Replace vegetation as necessary.
- Remove weeds as necessary, especially the first couple of years during plant establishment.
- Remove dead vegetation at least once a year
- Inspect after major storms for debris and sediment, and repair any erosion.
- Remove trash, debris, and sediment as necessary.
- For rain gardens, protect the outlet and repair when necessary.

As owner of the property listed above and having received funding from the City of Marion to install native plants and/or a rain garden on the property, I agree to maintain the project for a period of one year from after installation. The City of Marion does not warranty approved projects. The City of Marion is not liable for personal injury or property damage.

Property Owner:

By: _____

Print and sign name

Date: _____

Submit this form along with rain garden or native plant rebate application.