



KINGS COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

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LANDSCAPE WATER-EFFICIENCY (MWELo) CHECKLIST

Applicant

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Project

Site Address: _____

Project Type (*new dwelling, commercial, or rehab*): _____

- This project does not include landscaping but I am aware that prior to landscaping being installed, it shall comply with the MWELo requirements per 23 CCR, Division 2, Chapter 2.7 which will require a permit and inspections from the Kings County Community Development Agency. (*If you check this box, skip to page 2 and sign and date form.*)
- This project does incorporate landscaping. (*Complete pages 1 & 2 along with plans*):

Total Landscape Area (sq. ft.): _____

Turf Area: _____

Non-Turf Plan Area: _____

Special Landscape Area: _____

Water Type (*potable, recycled, well*): _____

Name of water purveyor (*If not served by private well*): _____

Landscape Parameter	Design Measures	Project Compliance (state Yes or No)
Plant Water Use	At least 50% of the plants and at least 50% of the trees shall either be native or low water use.	
Turf	Total turf area shall not exceed 25% of the landscape area. No turf allowed in commercial projects.	
	All portions of turf areas shall be wider than 8 ft. Turf (if utilized) is limited to slopes not exceeding 25%.	
Hydrozones	Plants with similar water needs shall be grouped within hydrozones. Irrigation for each hydrozone shall be controlled by a separate valve.	
Irrigation System	System shall be designed and maintained to minimize water waste (e.g. runoff, overspray, etc.). Low volume irrigation shall be utilized in non-turf areas. Overhead (spray) irrigation shall only occur in areas over 10 ft. wide.	
Compost	Incorporate compost at a rate of at least four (4) cubic yards per 1,000 sq. ft. to a depth of 6 inches into landscape area (unless contra-indicated by a soil test).	
Mulch	A minimum 3-inch layer of mulch should be applied on all exposed soil surfaces of planting areas, except in areas of turf or creeping or rooting groundcovers.	

Signature

I agree to comply with the requirements of the prescriptive compliance option of the MWEL0.

Signature of property owner or authorized representative

Date

Note:

A landscape and irrigation design plan (and supporting documents) shall be required if: (a) landscape area exceeds 500 sq. ft.; (b) a majority (>50%) of plants are medium or high water use; or (c) turf area exceeds 25% of total landscape area or 1,250 sq. ft.

All areas to be disturbed during construction shall be presumed to be landscaped area, except where structures or hardscape will be installed.

Landscape Area:

The total horizontal surface area dedicated to plant installation (including adjacent ground that provides for the plant's establishment), plus the *wet surface area* of any water features. The landscape area does not include footprints of buildings or structures, sidewalks, driveways, parking lots, decks, patios, gravel or stone walks, or other pervious or non-pervious hardscapes outside of planted areas (planted areas containing gravel or inorganic mulch are included). Landscape area does not include undisturbed areas with established non-irrigated vegetation.