Email Address
Applicants Name
Project Name
Project Address/Region
Category

#### **Project Overview**

1. Provide a brief overview of the project, including its location, purpose, and objectives.(In less than 1500 characters)

Did you solve a problem using native plants? Was this project the first time you heard about native plants? Tell us the story of your project.

- a. Upload a maximum of 10 photos of your project. Provide photographs showcasing the overall visual appeal and coherence of the design (Max. file size 10 MB). (Required)
- b. Upload a maximum of 5 photos to help the jury understand the "before" of your project (Max. file size 10 MB).

#### **Native Plant List**

- 2. List the native plant species featured in the project.
  - a. Please upload a planting plan with a corresponding plant list/legend as a pdf or image (digitally drafted drawings or hand drawn sketches are acceptable; Max. file size 10 MB).(Required)
  - b. How/where did you procure the native plants/seeds for the project? (Optional)
  - Highlight any rare or threatened native species incorporated into the design.
     (Optional)

#### Wildlife Protection and Habitat Enhancement

- 3. Describe how the project contributes to the creation or enhancement of wildlife habitat.
  - a. Explain what features the project has incorporated to promote habitat, such as nesting sites, water sources, and shelter for native fauna.
  - b. Provide examples of native wildlife species supported by habitat created.
  - c. Upload a maximum of 5 photos captured on your project that highlights the creation or enhancement of wildlife habitat.

# Water Conservation and Irrigation

- 4. Please outline the water conservation and management practices your project incorporates.
  - a. Explain how native plants are incorporated into the landscape design that tolerate the existing water conditions for the site.

- b. Is there an irrigation system, if so which one was used? What was the watering method and irrigation schedule for establishment of the plants? Is there a current irrigation system/schedule in operation?
- c. Are there any rainwater harvesting or greywater systems utilized?

## Soil and Site Management

- 5. Explain how the project's design addressed the site's existing soil conditions and the specific management practices employed.
  - a. Explain soil conditions before and after
  - b. Briefly describe if any soil amendments used in the project.
  - c. What are the mulching practices used in the project and the benefits, if any, they provided to the soil and plant health. Specify the types of materials used.

## Pesticide Management and Weed Control

- 6. If used, describe your approach to herbicide, pesticide use, including reductions, natural pest control methods, chemical, and IPM principles.
  - a. Briefly describe invasive plant control or eradication as part of the project

# **Community Participation**

- 7. Describe any engagement with local community members or stakeholders during the project.
  - a. Provide examples of educational outreach programs conducted, such as workshops, guided tours, or signage.
  - b. Explain how the project promotes the benefits and practices of native landscaping in your community.

# Maintenance Strategies

8. Demonstrate your project's commitment to long-term maintenance and management. Discuss sustainable landscaping practices used in the project.

# Design and Aesthetic Considerations

- Describe how native plants are integrated into the landscape design to create visually appealing compositions.
  - a. Explain use of color, and attention to scale and balance.
  - b. Highlight any creative or innovative design elements incorporated into the project.
  - c. Does the design contribute to a sense of place or connect to Florida's regional identity

# Additional Information Optional

10. Include any additional documentation (e.g., maintenance schedules, educational materials) to support the submission (Max. file size 10 MB)