**RESTORATION PLAN TEMPLATE**

1. INTRODUCTION

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| **NAME/PROPERTY NAME** |  |
| **DATE** |  |
| **SITE ADDRESS** |  |
| **CONTACT DETAILS** |  |

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| **PROJECT GOALS AND DURATION** |
| What are the goals of your restoration and planting efforts? This may include filtering erosion or nutrients, improving habitat for birds and fish, increasing water storage, etc.  Note your goals below and the timeframe you hope to achieve them. |
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**2. SITE DETAILS**

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| **SITE DESCRIPTION** |
| Consider the following in the description of your site. What are the main vegetation types, topography (lie of the land) and soils, current vegetation (e.g. main plant types), native fauna known/seen in the area (note any threatened species present), any historical or cultural significance. |
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| **CURRENT CONDITION** |
| Comment on the current state of the site. What are the threats it faces? (e.g. stock damage, sediment and/or pollution run-off, weeds, animal predators, drought, wind or floods). |
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| **SITE MAP** |
| Attach an aerial image or sketch of your site, identifying your restoration project area. |
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| **PLANTING ZONES** |
| Map out the key zones of your restoration project area (based on the characteristics of each zone (e.g. moist soils, drier sites). |
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**3. SITE PREPARATION**

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| **FENCING** |
| Are stock fenced out of the planting area? Decide which type of fencing to install and make a plan for any necessary gates and crossings. |
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| **PLANT & ANIMAL PESTS** |
| Identify the key plant pests (weeds) and animal pests (browsers and predators). Which species are of the most concern. What methods would you like to use for removal? |
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| **PLANTING SITE PREPARATION** |
| Describe how you will prep the site for planting, including any stock exclusion fencing, weed removal and control, or any other site prep conducted before the planting (e.g. predator control). |
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**4. PLANTING**

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| SPECIES COMPOSITION AND NUMBERS REQUIRED | | | | |
| **Species** | **Planting zone** (E.g. Dry, Moist, Wet) | **% of area** | **Spacing (m)** | **Number of plants** |
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| **PLANT SOURCE** |
| Where will you get your eco sourced plants? E.g. Local native plant nurseries, from locally-sourced seed. |
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| **PLANTING LABOUR** |
| Consider any community participation and/or labour requirements |
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| **PLANTING METHODOLOGY** |
| Consider staking, use of plant protectors, mulching, weed mats, etc. |
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**5. MAINTENANCE PLAN**

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| **OUTLINE YOUR MAINTENANCE PLAN** |
| Consider the following activities and how often you will undergo them, for how many years and the methodology you will use.   * Post-planting release/weeding of plants * Predator control * Fencing maintenance * Infill planting (filling gaps when plants don’t survival) * Enrichment planting (increasing plant diversity once the planting has been established) |
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**6. SCHEDULE FOR PLANTING AND MAINTENANCE**Tick which months you will complete each activity.

**Year 1**

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| Fencing |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Site Preparation / Weeding |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Planting |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Post-planting release |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Animal pest control |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

**Year 2**

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| Planting/in-fill |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Plant release/weeding |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Animal pest control |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

**Year 3**

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| Planting/in-fill |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Plant release/weeding |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Animal pest control |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

**7. BUDGET**Outline the costs of your project (consider any equipment, herbicide, fencing costs, plants, labour for planting and maintenance etc.)

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| PROJECT BUDGET | | | |
| **ITEM** | **UNIT COST** | **QUANTITY** | **TOTAL** |
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| **TOTAL COST OF PROJECT** | | |  |

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| **FUNDING** |
| Is your project self-funded? Have you received any support? |
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**8. MONITORING**

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| **MONITORING PLAN** |
| Outline your plan for monitoring your project. Consider which of the following techniques you will use.   * Photopoints * Vegetation monitoring (survival rates) * Biodiversity monitoring (bird counts) * Other |
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