

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
Green Acres Program

Nonprofit Eligibility Certification

We, _____ and _____, certify that
Print Name of Chief Executive Officer or State Director *Print Name of Applicant's Attorney*
_____ meets all the Green Acres' nonprofit eligibility
Print Name of Nonprofit Organization
requirements as listed below:

1. The organization is an incorporated not-for-profit that has a constitution and/or bylaws.
2. The organization is currently recognized by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as tax-exempt under 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code. (Please attach confirmation of tax-exempt status from the [IRS website](#).)
3. The organization is in compliance with the NJ Charitable Registration and Investigation Act. (Please attach confirmation from the [Division of Consumer Affairs website](#).)
4. The organization qualifies as a Charitable Conservancy for the purposes of [P.L. 1979, c. 378 \(C.13:8B-1 et seq.\)](#) [pages numbered 1489-1492]. (An excerpt from that law that defines a Charitable Conservancy is included below*, but applicants should review the entire law.)
5. The organization has sufficient financial resources to match the grant requested and sufficient staff to administer the project in conformance with Green Acres requirements and maintain the project site after closing.
6. The organization has an active governing Board that holds regular meetings. Please list dates of board meetings held during the previous 12 months:

(Please attach a list of current Board members and a copy of the minutes from the most recent Board meeting.)

Chief Executive Officer or State Director Date: _____

Applicant's Attorney Date: _____

* "**Charitable conservancy**" means a corporation or trust whose purposes include the acquisition and preservation of land or water areas or of a particular land or water area, or either thereof, in a natural, scenic, or open condition, no part of the net earnings of which inures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual, and which has received tax exemption under section 501(c) of the 1954 Internal Revenue Code.