

Site Name \_\_\_\_\_ ROW Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Assessor \_\_\_\_\_ Assessor's Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

Site Area \_\_\_\_\_ acres Date \_\_\_\_\_ Start Time \_\_\_\_\_  
 Monitoring Type:  Baseline  Post-activity  
 Survey Type:  Random/Systematic  Representative<sup>†</sup>

**INSTRUCTIONS**

Tier 2 assessments provide a qualitative rating of habitat quality. Sum all points in the Total Points box to calculate a score. Note additional pollinator and management information on the back. <sup>†</sup>*If using this scorecard for CCAA monitoring purposes, plot locations must be randomly selected. See Section 14.2 of the CCAA for more details.*

Plot Number _____	Plot Location _____	Photos (describe)
Plot Description (ROW type, off-ROW or facility, leased vs. owned, etc.)		

**Adjacent Land Use** (select up to two categories for land use adjacent to site nearest the plot location)

- Cropland       Woodland       Grassland (Diverse)       Other:  
 Developed       Wetland       Grassland (Non-Diverse)

**Potentially Flowering Nectar Plant Cover**

- 0 % ----- > { 0 }
- 1 – 5 % ----- > { 1 }
- 6 – 10 % ----- > { 7 }
- 11 – 25 % ----- > { 14 }
- 26 – 50 % ----- > { 21 }
- 51 – 75 % ----- > { 28 }
- 76 – 100 % ----- > { 35 }

POINTS

**Additional Habitat Resources**

- Native bunch grasses ----- >
- Brush piles ----- >
- Undisturbed thatch----- >
- Dead wood/snags----- >
- Rock piles----- >
- More than 1 sq. ft bare ground ----- >
- Plants with hollow pithy stems----- >
- Larval host plants (e.g., milkweed)-- >

POINTS (2 POINTS EACH)

**Notes**

**Number of Flowering Nectar Plant Species Currently in Bloom**

- 0 – 2 species ----- > { 0 }
- 3 – 5 species ----- > { 3 }
- 6 – 10 species ----- > { 6 }
- 11 or more species ----- > { 9 }

POINTS

**Abundance of Milkweed**

- 0 stems -----> { 0 }
- 1 stem -----> { 4 }
- 2 – 5 stems -----> { 7 }
- 6 – 10 stems -----> { 9 }
- 11 – 50 stems -----> { 13 }
- > 50 stems -----> { 20 }

Optional: Actual Milkweed Stem Count: \_\_\_\_\_ POINTS

**HABITAT QUALITY RATINGS** (see the User's Guide for more detail)

- 0 – 25: Improvement Opportunity      26 – 40: Basic Habitat Quality  
 41 – 55: Moderate Habitat Quality      56+: High Habitat Quality

TOTAL POINTS

**Pollinators Observed**

- Honey bees   
  Monarch butterflies   
  Beetles on flowers   
  Moths   
  Other  
 Other bees   
  Other butterflies   
  Wasps on flowers   
  Flies on flowers   
 (describe):

**Threats**

- Lack of direction or objectives for managing habitat  
 Negative perception of habitat  
 Woody encroachment  
 Invasive species  
 Habitat conversion  
 (e.g., actions that remove nectar plants during the growing season; habitat loss by construction, broadscale vegetation controls, or other land disturbance)  
 Frequent grazing, mowing or herbicide use during the growing season  
 Adjacent land use encroachment (e.g., unauthorized land uses)  
 Adjacent land use impacts  
 (e.g., chemical drift, cropland or developed land adjacent to site without a hedgerow present)  
 Other (describe):

**Opportunities**

- Enhancement native seeding/planting  
 Adding nesting structures  
 Preserving areas of dead wood or undisturbed thatch  
 Use of site for public outreach or education  
 Engaging volunteer partnerships in site conservation  
 Other (describe):

*Please use the Threats & Opportunities observed to complete the Management Module (see Users' Guide for more info).*

**Observations/Recommendations**