

Climate Resilient Plant Scoring Sheet

This sheet uses nine criteria that will guide you in selecting climate resilient plants to utilize in a landscape.

Score each criterion on a scale of 1 to 5 (1 being not true and 5 being very true) according to the definitions, writing your reasons and references for each category in the *Scoring Rationale* boxes. Use the *Scoring Table* to fill in ratings, take the average to find the final score, and compare species.

Definitions

Drought	Able to withstand long dry periods
Heat	Can survive projected temperatures in your region
Storm	Able to withstand high winds and rain
Water table rise	Root system can withstand wet soils
Pest/disease	Not susceptible to common/potential pests and diseases
Wildlife	Provides food and/or shelter to local fauna
Conservation	Plant is native, of high local conservation concern, and/or contributes to local biodiversity
Ornamental Value	Is visually appealing or interesting

Species Suitability Scoring Tables

Category: Climate Resiliency

Criteria	Species A:	Species B:	Species C:
Drought			
Heat			
Storm			
Water table rise			
Pest/Disease			

Category: Ecological Benefits

Criteria	Species A:	Species B:	Species C:
Wildlife			
Conservation			

Category: Other

Criteria	Species A:	Species B:	Species C:
Ornamental Value			

Average

	Species A:	Species B:	Species C:
Averages			

Scoring Rationale

Species A:	Notes
Climate Resiliency	
Ecological Benefits	
Other	
Species B:	Notes
Climate Resiliency	
Ecological Benefits	
Other	
Species C:	Notes
Climate Resiliency	
Ecological Benefits	
Other	