City of Folsom (as mandated by the State of California) Date _____

Determination of Applicability to **Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance**, AB1881

Project Title _____ Project Address _____

Form Completed by_____ Company_____

Contact Information (email) _____ (phone) _____

Answer these 2 questions first before proceeding:

A) Is this a public agency or private development project with 2,500 sq ft or more of area that could be landscaped (including open water surface areas)? ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No** ☐ **Maybe**

B) Will the new landscaping/irrigation be homeowner-provided &/or homeowner-hired, with 5,000 sq ft or more of area? ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No** ☐ **Maybe**

☒ If you checked "**Yes**" or "**Maybe**" or if you are uncertain for either of these 2 answers: **A** & **B**, then continue to fill out this form

1) Size of property _____ sq ft

2) Area of footprint of main structure _____ sq ft

3) Area of footprint of other detached structures (garage, garden bldg, 2nd living unit, etc.) _____ sq ft

4) Area of impervious cover (to include all: deck, patio, concrete pool deck, sidewalks, driveways, etc.) _____ sq ft

5) Area of special pervious cover (to include all: porous concrete & asphalt, pavers, gravel/ D.G.) _____ sq ft

6) Total of covered and non-landscape area Total 2, 3, 4, & 5 = _____ sq ft

7) Special Landscape Area (SLA), solely dedicated to: A) Edible Plants _____ sq ft

B) Area irrigated w/ recycled water _____ sq ft

C) Water feature w/ recycled water _____ sq ft

D) Turf in parks, sports fields, golf courses _____ sq ft

8) Total of Special Landscape Area (SLA) Total of 7) A, B, & C = _____ sq ft

9) Irrigated turf _____ sq ft

10) Mulched tree &/or shrub area (irrigated) _____ sq ft

11) Other landscape area (non-irrigated) _____ sq ft

12) Perennials &/or ground cover (irrigated) _____ sq ft

13) Annuals (irrigated) _____ sq ft

14) Other landscape-able areas (to include future areas to be planted & irrigated) _____ sq ft

15) Total of Landscape Area (LA) Total of 9, 10, 11, 12, & 13 = _____ sq ft

16) Special Landscape Area (SLA) + Area of Landscape Area (LA) Total 7 + 14 = _____ sq ft

17) Size of property _____ sq ft (line item 1 from above)

- <_____> less total sq ft of non-landscape areas (line item 6 from above)

= _____ same as (15), Total of all LA & SLA

If this project is subject to the Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance; the project must conform with all aspects before receiving receipt of full Certificate of Occupancy

..... for OFFICIAL USE ONLY by the City of Folsom.....

This project is ☐ Exempt or ☐ Shall adhere to all conditions of AB1881 and supply all information as required

Approved by: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name

★ Important definition information of the back of this sheet ★

11-22-2010

Definition Information

From §490 & 490.1 of the Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance

§ 490.1 Applicability

a) After January 1, 2010, this ordinance (AB1881 – Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance) shall apply to all of the following projects:

1) new construction and rehabilitation for public agency projects and private development projects with a landscape area equal to or greater than 2,500 square feet requiring a building or landscape permit, plan check or design review;
2) new construction and rehabilitation landscapes which are developer-installed in single family and multi-family projects with a landscape area equal to or greater than 2,500 square feet requiring a building or landscape permit, plan check, or design review
3) new construction landscapes which are homeowner-provided and/or homeowner-hired in a single family and multi-family residential projects with a total project landscape area equal to or greater than 5,000 square feet requiring building or landscape permit, plans check or design review;
4) existing landscapes limited to §493, 493.1, 493.2
5) cemeteries. Recognizes the special landscape management needs of cemeteries, new and rehabilitated cemeteries are limited to §492.4, 492.11, 492.12; and existing cemeteries are limited to § 493, 493.1, & 493.2

b) This ordinance does not apply to:

1) registered local, state or federal historical sites
2) ecological restoration projects that do not require a permanent irrigation system
3) mined-land reclamation projects that do not require a permanent irrigation system; or
4) plant collections, as part of botanical gardens and arboretums open to the public.

Selected definitions from § 491.

(u) "homeowner-provided landscaping" means any landscaping either installed by a private individual for a single family residence or installed by a licensed contractor hired by a homeowner. A homeowner, for the purpose of this ordinance, is a person who occupies the dwelling he or she owns. This excludes speculative homes, which are not owner-occupied dwellings.

(dd) "landscape area" means all the planting areas, turf areas, and water features in a landscape design plan subject to the Maximum Applied Water Allowance calculations. The landscape area does not include footprints of the buildings or structures, sidewalks, driveways, parking lots, decks, patios, gravel or stone walks, other pervious or non-pervious hardscapes, and other non-irrigated areas designated for non-development (e.g., open spaces and existing native vegetation).

(qq) "new construction" means, for the purpose of this ordinance, a new building with a landscape or other new landscape, such as a park, playground, or greenbelt without an associated building.

(eee) "rehabilitated landscape" means any re-landscaping project that requires a permit, plan check, or design review, meets the requirements of § 490.1, and the modified landscape area is equal to or greater than 2,500 sq ft, is 50% of the total landscape area, and the modifications are completed within one year.

(iii) "Special Landscape Area" (SLA) means an area of the landscape dedicated solely to edible plants, areas irrigated with recycled water, water features using recycled water and areas dedicated to active play such as parks, sports fields, golf courses, and where turf provides a playing surface.

NOTE: California Green Building Standards Code (Cal Green) takes effect January 1, 2011, with other California State mandated water regulations and may effect design and infrastructure requirements. Please refer to the latest codes.