

Release & Waiver of Liability

You (“Participant”) have elected to participate in the Soil and Water Conservation Society (“SWCS”) Emerging Leaders Program beginning on September 1, 2024 (the “Activity”). As an attendee, Participant will attend virtual modules and receive training and resources from SWCS staff and its partners. Participant may travel to locations to participate in an event. You understand and agree that the Activity is provided for educational purposes only. By participating in the Activity, you assume full responsibility for yourself and accept any risk of injury in connection with your participation in the Activity. You agree to follow all instructions provided by any property owner or representative while participating in the Activity.

By participating in the Activity, you, on behalf of yourself and any of your dependents, heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives and assigns, hereby release and hold harmless SWCS and its officers, directors, employees, agents, licensees, partners or representatives (collectively, the “Representatives”) from any and all liability resulting from any injury you may sustain in connection with your participation in the Activity. You further waive any claims or causes of action that you or your dependents, heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives and assigns may have against SWCS and its Representatives, to the extent that such claims or causes of action arise out of events or circumstances in connection with your participation in the Activity. You understand and agree that SWCS is not responsible for property that is lost, stolen, or damaged while participating in the Activity.

By participating in the Activity, you grant and convey unto SWCS all right, title, and interest in any and all photographic images and video or audio recordings made by SWCS during the Activity, including, but not limited to, any royalties, proceeds, or other benefits derived from such photographs or recordings. The Participant also grants SWCS permission to use their name and likeness on any SWCS media platforms, including social media and their website.

SWCS does not provide Participant any financial support, assistance or benefits associated with the Activity beyond the following:

- One year of complimentary SWCS membership and access to all membership benefits
- Complimentary registration to the 80th SWCS International Annual Conference in 2025 (the “Annual Conference”). This benefit is contingent on the Participant hosting a conservation event prior to July 1, 2025.

Participant is responsible for all additional expenses associated with the Activity, including but not limited to costs related to planning Participant’s conservation event and travel costs associated with Participant’s attendance at the Annual Conference.

Participant Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent Guardian/Signature (if under 18 years of age):

Date: _____