Pond Wildlife Habitat Checklist

A pond wildlife habitat checklist for landowners to review shoreline, plant cover, water edges, and safety features that help a farm pond support birds, amphibians, and other animals.

Farm / unit: _____ Date: _____ By: _____

ITEM	OK	FIX	N/A
Shoreline vegetation present	☐	☐	☐
Gentle slopes along parts of the edge	☐	☐	☐
Aquatic plants in balance	☐	☐	☐
Brush or log structures added	☐	☐	☐
Buffer strip around pond	☐	☐	☐
Livestock access controlled	☐	☐	☐
Nutrient runoff reviewed	☐	☐	☐
Nest sites nearby	☐	☐	☐
Species seen recorded	☐	☐	☐

NOTES / REPAIRS NEEDED

TIP Review your pond each season and sketch changes on a simple map so you can compare year to year.