

FOREST CONSERVATION DECLARATION OF INTENT FOR FORESTRY

Declarants, the owner(s) of the real property at _____

Liber No. _____ Folio No. _____ Recorded on (date) _____

Account # _____ District: _____

Map: _____ Block: _____ Parcel: _____

hereby declare my (our) intention to continue and/or place into commercial forestry use of the above property in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 115, Forest Conservation, of the Code of Public Local Laws and Ordinances of Carroll County, Maryland (hereinafter "Chapter 115 - Forest Conservation") for a period of at least seven (7) full consecutive taxable years following this date.

This declaration of intent grants an exemption for commercial forestry activities under Chapter 115 - Forest Conservation. If the owner makes an application for an activity regulated under Chapter 115 - Forest Conservation, on all or part of the parcel within a seven (7) year period, Carroll County shall require the owner to meet the forest conservation threshold established in Chapter 115 - Forest Conservation, and may also assess a noncompliance fee for forested areas cut in violation of the forestry exemption.

This activity will be completed within one (1) year of the date this document was signed. Any cutting or clearing after that date will require an additional declaration of intent to be filed.

I (we) will notify Carroll County upon cessation of the commercial logging or timber harvesting operations or cessation of the use of said property for such activities. I (we) will also submit to Carroll County a description of conditions existing at completion, relative to the definition of a "forest", prepared by the harvest operator or consulting forester as defined in Chapter 115 - Forest Conservation.

This declaration of intent is intended to run with the land, and to bind any future purchasers or other holders of interest. If an application is submitted to any agency to perform any activity regulated by the provisions of Chapter 115 - Forest Conservation or if any non-forestry activities or site improvements are performed on all or part of the parcel within seven (7) years of the date this document was signed, Carroll County shall require the owner of the parcel at that time to meet all requirements of Chapter 115 - Forest Conservation and may also assess a penalty based on the acreage found to be in violation of that ordinance.

I (we) declare, under the penalties of law, that this declaration of intent, including any accompanying forms and statements, has been examined by me (us) and information contained herein, to the best of my (our) knowledge, information, and belief, is true, correct, and complete.

THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
CARROLL COUNTY, a body corporate and
politic of the State of Maryland

BY: _____
"Declarant"

BY: Steven C. Horn, Director
Department of Planning
"County"

Date: _____

Date: _____

Form approved for legal sufficiency on _____, 2004

Terri A. Jones, Senior Assistant County Attorney