MCPB Item No.

Date: 04-26-12

### Preliminary Plan Amendment 12004082A: Clover Ridge Lots 6-8, and Outlot A (in response to a violation)

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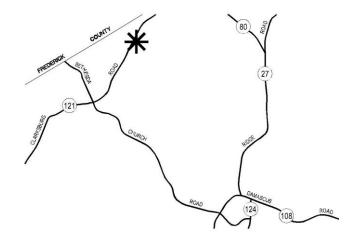
### **Description**

Preliminary Plan Amendment 12004082A: Clover Ridge Lots 6-8, and Outlot A (in response to a violation) Removal of 2.5 acres of Category I Conservation Easement on 85.09 acres, located at 28301 Clarksburg Road, RDT Zone, Agriculture and Rural Open Space Master Plan

Staff Recommendation: Denial

**Applicant:** Victor Loun

Submission Date: September 28, 2011



### **Summary**

The Applicant is currently in compliance with the Category I Conservation Easement. The applicant wishes to have agricultural uses (pasturing sheep) in the unforested area stream buffer within the existing easement and is requesting that 2.5 acres be removed from the easement and is offering no mitigation. The Planning Board's policy since November 2008 is to require at least 1:1 on site or 2:1 offsite mitigation for any easement removal.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends **Denial** of the request to remove 2.5 acres of Category I Conservation easement. The applicant is not providing the 1:1 onsite mitigation or the 2:1 offsite mitigation and therefore, does not meet the Planning Board's established mitigation policy.

### SITE DESCRIPTION

The property ("Subject Property" or "Property") is located at 28301 Clarksburg Road, approximately 2,500 feet north of the intersection with Moxley Road, in Damascus. It is identified as Lots 6-8 and Outlot A, Clover Ridge, containing 85.09 acres and developed with three, one family residences and zoned RDT. All conservation easements on the Property are located on Lot 6 and Outlot A. Lot 6 and Outlot A together total 65.39 acres, of which 24.4 acres are in a Category I conservation easement. The Property slopes from its highest point on the west to the east and is located within the Little Bennett Creek watershed, which is a Use I-P designation. There is a perennial stream and associated 100 year floodplain on the east side of the site. The Countywide Stream Protection Strategy (CSPS) rates this watershed as good.

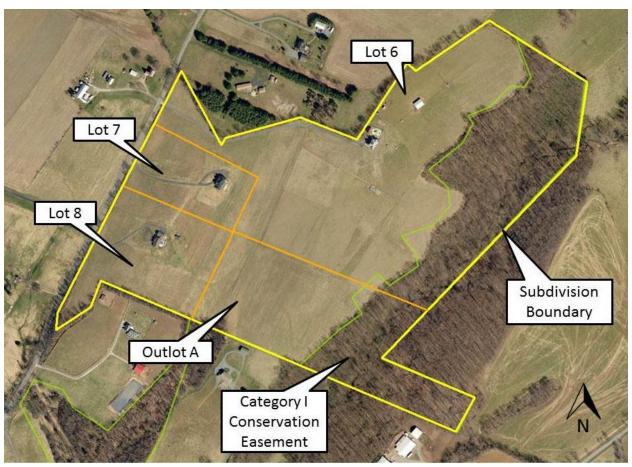


Figure 1: 2011 Aerial Photograph of Subject Property

### **BACKGROUND**

Prior to the Planning Board's approval of Preliminary Plan No. 120040820 on June 9 2005, Mr. Victor Loun ("Applicant") submitted a request in March 2003 to be exempt from submitting a Forest Conservation Plan. The exemption request was for the 85.09 acre Property (then named Parcel 909) for the construction of a single family home on a single farm parcel. A Forest Conservation Plan exemption was confirmed under Section 22A-5(a) of the Montgomery County Code on March 13, 2003, with a Declaration of Intent (DOI) signed by the Applicant (Attachment A). The DOI is a required document under the 22A-5(a) "single lot" exemption and requires that the Property conform to the conditions of the exemption and restricts the owner from submitting an application for another regulated activity for five years from the date of approval of the application.

In December of 2003, the co-owner<sup>1</sup> of the Property submitted an application for a Natural Resource Inventory/Forest Stand Delineation (NRI/FSD) for the Property (420041660). The NRI/FSD was subsequently approved by M-NCPPC in February of 2004.

In April 2004, the co-owner of the Property submitted an application for Preliminary Plan No. 120040820, which included a Preliminary Forest Conservation Plan for the Property. This submission violated the terms of the DOI and terminated the approved exemption from submitting a Forest Conservation Plan. A Forest Conservation Plan was required to be submitted for the entire 85.09 acre Property because the exemption was terminated. The Planning Board approved Preliminary Plan No. 120040820 and a Preliminary Forest Conservation Plan for the Property on June 9, 2005 (Attachment B). The Planning Board opinion was mailed on September 23, 2005. The Applicant signed the record plat, which created the Category I Conservation Easement for the Property and was recorded on June 28, 2007 (Attachment C).

The Final Forest Conservation Plan, submitted by the co-owner on July 15, 2008, was approved by M-NCPPC staff ("Staff") on July 21, 2008. The approved Final Forest Conservation Plan did not include any forest removal nor did it have any planting requirements, but, it did require the permanent protection of all forested and unforested stream buffers in accordance with Section 22A-12(b) of the Montgomery County Code (Attachment D).

On February 7, 2011, the Applicant was issued an Administrative Citation, No. EPD000077, ("Citation") (Attachment E) for continued agricultural and mowing activities and the installation of a fence within a Category I Conservation Easement. The Citation was for \$500 and instructed the Applicant to cease all agricultural and or mowing activities within the conservation easement area, install the fence as specified in condition 4 of the Preliminary Plan Resolution (120040820) and depicted on the approved Final Forest Conservation Plan, install easement signage, and remove a shed that had been constructed within the easement shown on Lot 6 on record plat #23637.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> At the time of the preliminary plan application, the applicant co-owned the property with his grandfather, who is identified as the co-owner. The grandfather submitted the application for the preliminary plan and died during the application process. The Applicant was the signatory of the record plat after the preliminary plan was approved.

In a letter received by M-NCPPC on February 9, 2011, The Applicant contested the Citation and requested a hearing in front of the Planning Board's designee as provided in Section 22A-20(d) of the Montgomery County Code.

On June 1, 2011, Staff issued a Notice of Hearing to the Applicant and scheduled a violation hearing for July 12, 2011. The Applicant requested postponement of the violation hearing due to a scheduling conflict with the Applicant's legal counsel. The hearing was rescheduled for September 13, 2011. The hearing was further postponed to October 18, 2011 in order to allow the Applicant additional time to resolve the violation. The Applicant subsequently removed the livestock from the easement and ceased mowing the easement area. On October 13, 2011, counsel for the Planning Department withdrew the violation case without prejudice to re-file. At this time, Staff was directed to process Preliminary Plan Amendment No. 12004028A, which had been submitted by the Applicant on September 7, 2011. The Application requested the removal of 18.06 acres of easement (outside the 100-year Floodplain) but, was subsequently revised on September 28, 2011, to request removal of only 2.5 acres of easement (the area of unforested stream valley buffer) (Attachment F). The Application does not propose any mitigation for the easement removal.

### **PROPOSAL**

Preliminary Plan Amendment No. 12004082A is a request to amend Forest Conservation Plan No. 120040820 by removing 2.5 acres of the Category I Conservation Easement on Lot 6 and Outlot A. The area within the 2.5 acres of Category I Conservation Easement is unforested and within the stream valley buffer shown on the both the Forest Conservation Plan and Preliminary Plan.

The Applicant's request is based on the position that the Property is zoned Rural Density Transfer (RDT) and that Section (59-C-9.23) of the Montgomery County Zoning Ordinance was overlooked during the original Preliminary Plan review process. The Applicant argues that the 2.5 acres of unforested stream valley buffer should not have been placed into easement because it interferes with agriculture.

**59-C-9.23.** Intent of the Rural Density Transfer zone. The intent of this zone is to promote agriculture as the primary land use in sections of the County designated for agricultural preservation in the General Plan, the Functional Master Plan for Preservation of Agriculture and Rural Open Space, and other master plans. This is to be accomplished by providing large areas of generally contiguous properties suitable for agricultural and related uses and permitting the transfer of development rights from properties in this zone to properties in designated receiving areas.

Agriculture is the preferred use in the Rural Density Transfer zone. All agricultural operations are permitted at any time, including the operation of farm machinery. No agricultural use can be subject to restriction on the grounds that it interferes with other uses permitted in the zone, but uses that are not exclusively agricultural in nature are subject to the regulations in Division 59-C-9 and in Division 59-G-2, "Special Exceptions—Standards and Requirements."

The Applicant believes the 2.5 acres of Category I Conservation Easement within the unforested portion of the stream valley buffer should be released with no mitigation because the easement interferes with the agricultural use of the Subject Property and should not have been applied at the time of the

Preliminary Plan. The Applicant argues that this area of the farm should have remained available for agricultural uses.

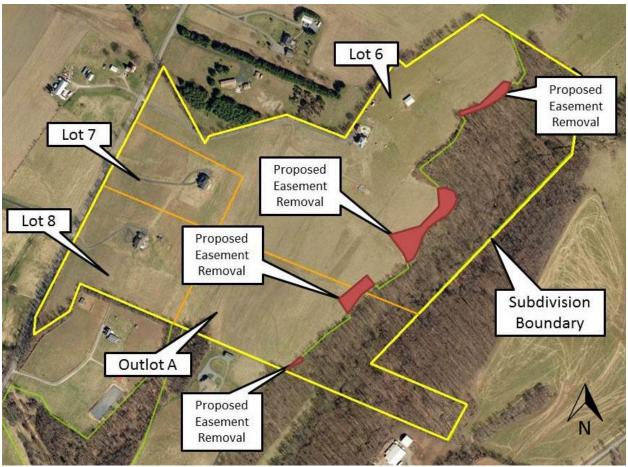


Figure 2: Applicant's Proposed Easement Removal

### PLANNING BOARD REVIEW AUTHORITY

The Forest Conservation Regulations require Planning Board action on certain types of modifications to an approved Forest Conservation Plan. Section 22A.00.01.13.A(1) states:

Minor amendments which do not result in more than a total of 5000 square feet of additional forest clearing may be approved by the Planning Director on a case by case basis...

Although the total modification is below the 5000 square foot threshold of additional forest clearing, the Planning Board has stated that the removal of, or change to, any conservation easement warrants consideration in a public forum with a final decision from the Planning Board.

### **REVIEW**

This Application is a retroactive attempt to resolve a violation, and not a proactive attempt to bring the site into compliance. The Planning Board policy for the mitigation of the removal of a conservation easement, as determined in November of 2008, is at a minimum, a ratio of 2:1 if off site. However, if the easement can be rearranged onsite, the Planning Board has found mitigation acceptable at a minimum

ratio of 1:1. The Planning Board has consistently maintained this policy in Forest Conservation Plans since November 2008 and in some cases required greater mitigation. In all cases the new easement areas must be planted with forest if unforested. On site mitigation is generally preferable to offsite mitigation because it provides in-kind and in-place benefits for what is being removed and provides equivalent, or better, protection in the same watershed and on the same Property. The Applicant has proposed no mitigation for the removal of 2.5 acres of Category I Conservation Easement and, therefore; does not meet the Planning Board's established mitigation policy. This is the core of Staff's objection to this Preliminary Plan Amendment.

The Applicant asserts that the 2.5 acres of Category I Conservation Easement in question conflicts with the agricultural use of the Property and should not have been applied. Staff disagrees. As noted in the Background section, in March 2003, the Applicant submitted a forest conservation exemption request for the Property for the construction of a single family home on a single lot. A forest conservation exemption was confirmed under Section 22A-5(a) of the Forest Conservation Regulation on March 13, 2003 and executed with a signed Declaration of Intent (DOI). That DOI was valid until March 13, 2008. The Applicant submitted a Preliminary Plan of Subdivision, a regulated activity, in April of 2004 thereby terminating the DOI. Section 22A.00.01.12.E of the Forest Conservation Regulations states:

If a regulated activity on the area covered by the declaration of intent occurs within 5 years of the effective date of the declaration of intent:

- (1) the exemption immediately terminates without any action by the Planning Board; and
- (2) The Board may take other enforcement actions under Article II of the Forest Conservation Law.

The single-lot exemption granted to the Applicant was immediately terminated upon the submission of the Preliminary Plan application, rendering the Property no longer exempt and subject to submitting a Forest Conservation Plan under Article II of the Forest Conservation Law.

The Applicant never applied for an agricultural exemption under the Forest Conservation Law and was not eligible to receive one at the time of the Preliminary Plan review due to the termination of the DOI. The exemptions allowed under the Forest Conservation Law are exemptions from Article II of the law, which is the Article that requires the submission of a Forest Conservation Plan. When the DOI was terminated by submittal of a Preliminary Plan, the Property was now subject to Article II of the Forest Conservation Law. Once a Property is subject to Article II of the Forest Conservation Law, it is no longer eligible for exemptions from Article II.

Not only does Staff disagree with the Applicant's argument, but the assertion that the original Preliminary Plan was inappropriately reviewed is untimely. The appropriate time for the Applicant to raise this argument would have been within 30 days of the mailing date of the Planning Board's Resolution for the original Preliminary Plan. Since the mailing date for the Planning Board's Resolution was September 23, 2005, that time period is long past.

The Preliminary Plan and the Preliminary Forest Conservation Plan approved by the Planning Board on June 9, 2005 were consistent with the Agriculture and Rural Open Space Master Plan, the Zoning Ordinance, the Subdivision Regulations and the Montgomery County Forest Conservation Law. The Category I Conservation Easements were placed over the entirety of the stream valley buffers as required in Chapter 22A-12(b) of the Montgomery County Code. The Applicant had the opportunity to express concerns about the Category I Conservation Easement and the Forest Conservation Plan at the time of the hearing in 2005 and failed to do so. The Applicant had a second opportunity to appeal the Planning Board's approval contained in the Opinion mailed on September 23, 2005. The Applicant did not object to the easements shown on the Forest Conservation Plan at the hearing and did not file an appeal after the approval. The Applicant signed the record plats that recorded the easements in their current location and is the owner of Lot 6.

### **NOTIFICATION and OUTREACH**

In accordance with established procedures, the Subject Property was signed with notification of the upcoming Preliminary Plan amendment prior to the September 7, 2011, submission. All adjoining and confronting property owners, civic associations, and other registered interested parties will be notified of the upcoming public hearing on the proposed amendment. As of the date of this report, Staff has not received any inquiries.

Any comments received hereafter will be forwarded to the Board

### **RECOMMENDATION**

As stated above, the Applicant has not proposed any mitigation for the removal of easement. This is contrary to the Planning Board's well established policy regarding easement removal. Staff cannot support removal of the Category I Conservation Easement without mitigation. Therefore, Staff recommends that the Planning Board deny the Amendment to the Preliminary Plan and associated Final Forest Conservation Plan.

### Attachments:

- A- Forest Conservation Exemption and Single-lot DOI
- B- Planning Board Opinion for Preliminary Plan 120040820
- C- Record Plat for Preliminary Plan 120040820
- D- Original Approved Final Forest Conservation Plan
- E- Administrative Citation, No. EPD000077
- F- Proposed Amended Final Forest Conservation Plan

# MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION FOREST CONSERVATION RECOMMENDATIONS

TO:	Site Inspector	, Development Revie	w Division	
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	& Patty Loun (410-747-4) e Ball, DPS (fax 240-777-		fcpexemption.doc	r11/01

ATTACHMENT A

# <u>Declaration of Intent for Single Lot Affirming Exemption</u> from Montgomery County Forest Conservation Law

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previously approved forest conservation plan or tree save plan.

("Conditions.")

THEREFORE, in consideration of the forgoing promises, the mutual covenants contained herein, and the following terms and conditions, the parties agree as follows:

- 1. The recitals set forth above are incorporated in full herein.
- 2. Owner guarantees that the Property and Development Application conform with the Conditions standards referenced above.
- 3. Owner further guarantees that the Property will conform with the Conditions for five years after receiving approval of the Development Application (the five-year period to begin on the mailing date of the written opinion adopting the Development Application approval).
- 4. For purposes of ensuring compliance with the Conditions, the Planning Board or its designees may, after reasonable notice to the Owner, enter upon the Property at any time from the date of Owner's signature of this document until the five-year restriction has expired.
- 5. This agreement shall constitute a covenant running with the land and shall be binding on the landowner, its administrators, executors, heirs and assigns.

I solemnly affirm under the penalties of perjury and upon personal knowledge that the contents of this paper are true:

OWNER

### **NOTARY STATEMENT**

State of Maryland, Montgomery County to wit:

I hereby certify, that on th	is 134 day of 711 day day	. 200 . before the
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My commission expires 4/27/06

CHARMAINE M. D'MONTE NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF MARYLAND My Commission Expires February 27, 2006



# MONTGOMERY COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARK AND PLANNING

THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

8787 Georgia Avenue Silver Spring, Maryland 20910-3760 301-495-4500, www.mncppc.org

Board Approval Date: June 9, 2005

Date Mailed: SEP 2 3 2005

Action: Approved Staff
Recommendation
Motion of Commissioner Bryant,
seconded by Commissioner Robinson,
with a vote of 5-0;
Chairman Berlage and Commissioners
Perdue, Bryant, Wellington, and
Robinson voting in favor.

# MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLANNING BOARD OPINION

Preliminary Plan 1-04082 NAME OF PLAN: Clover Ridge

The date of this written opinion is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (which is the date that this opinion is mailed to all parties of record). Any party authorized by law to take an administrative appeal must initiate such an appeal within thirty days of the date of this written opinion, consistent with the procedural rules for the judicial review of administrative agency decisions in Circuit Court (Rule 7-203, Maryland Rules of Court – State).

On 4/27/04, the applicant, Chester Leishear ("Applicant"), submitted an application for the approval of a preliminary plan of subdivision of property in the RDT zone. The application proposed to create 3 lots and 1 outlot on 85.09 acres of land located on the south side of Clarksburg Road, approximately 2,500 feet northeast of the intersection with Moxley Road, in the Agriculture and Rural Open Space Master Plan Area. The application was designated Preliminary Plan 1-04082 ("Application"). On 6/09/05, the Application was brought before the Montgomery County Planning Board for a public hearing. At the public hearing, the Montgomery County Planning Board heard testimony and received evidence submitted in the record on the application.

The record for this application ("Record") closed at the conclusion of the public hearing, upon the taking of an action by the Planning Board. The Record includes: the information on the Preliminary Plan Application Form; the Planning Board staff-

generated minutes of the Subdivision Review Committee meeting(s) on the application; all correspondence and any other written or graphic information concerning the application received by the Planning Board or its staff following submission of the application and prior to the Board's action at the conclusion of the public hearing, from the applicant, public agencies, and private individuals or entities; all correspondence and any other written or graphic information issued by Planning Board staff concerning the application, prior to the Board's action following the public hearing; all evidence, including written and oral testimony and any graphic exhibits, presented to the Planning Board at the public hearing.

### **PUBLIC HEARING TESTIMONY**

On June 9, 2005, Preliminary Plan 1-04082 was brought before the Montgomery County Planning Board for a public hearing. At the public hearing, the Montgomery County Planning Board heard testimony and received evidence submitted in the record on the application. Staff presented the application to the Board and provided revised conditions of approval for the Board's consideration. The Applicant's engineer testified on behalf of the Applicant and advised the Board that the Applicant concurred with the Staff recommendation and all conditions of approval, as revised. No testimony was presented in opposition to the application and the record contains no correspondence opposing the Application. The Board questioned the Applicant concerning the proposed 18-acre outlot ("Outlot A"), which the Applicant testified is intended to be conveyed to a neighboring property owner to be used for pasture purposes. The Applicant confirmed that the neighbor will acquire no additional density and, therefore, no additional building capacity as a consequence of purchasing Outlot A.

# **FINDINGS**

Having given full consideration to the findings and recommendations of its Staff, which the Board adopts; the recommendations of the applicable public agencies<sup>1</sup>; the applicant's position; and other evidence contained in the Record, which is hereby incorporated in its entirety into this Opinion, the Montgomery County Planning Board finds that:

- The Preliminary Plan No. 1-04082 substantially conforms to the Agriculture and Rural Open Space Master Plan.
- b) Public facilities will be adequate to support and service the area of the proposed subdivision.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The application was referred to outside agencies for comment and review, including the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, the Department of Public Works and Transportation, the Department of Permitting Services and the various public utilities. All of these agencies recommended approval of the application.

- c) The size, width, shape, and orientation of the proposed lots are appropriate for the location of the subdivision.
- d) The application satisfies all the applicable requirements of the Forest Conservation Law, Montgomery County Code, Chapter 22A. This finding is subject to the applicable condition(s) of approval.
- e) The application meets all applicable stormwater management requirements and will provide adequate control of stormwater runoff from the site. This finding is based on the determination by the Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services ("MCDPS") that the Stormwater Management Concept Plan meets MCDPS' standards.
- f) Outlot A has been used in the density calculations for the overall property and all available density has been taken from the Property with the approval of the subject preliminary plan. The Board therefore finds that no additional density and no additional building capacity may be acquired through the purchase of Outlot A.
- g) The Record of this application does not contain any contested issues; and, therefore, the Planning Board finds that any future objection, which may be raised concerning a substantive issue in this application, is waived.

# **CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL**

Finding Preliminary Plan No. 1-04082 in accordance with the purposes and all applicable regulations of Montgomery County Code Chapter 50, the Planning Board approves Preliminary Plan No. 1-04082, subject to the following conditions:

- 1) Approval under this preliminary plan is limited to three (3) lots and one (1) outlot.
- 2) Compliance with the conditions of approval for the preliminary forest conservation plan. The applicant must satisfy all conditions prior to recording of plat(s) or MCDPS issuance of sediment and erosion control permits.
- 3) All stream valley buffers and onsite forest must be placed into a Category I Forest Conservation Easement.
- 4) A fence suitable to prevent pasturing animals from entering the forest conservation easement areas must be erected prior to release of building permits.
- 5) The applicant shall enter in a covenant for the future reconstruction of the Clarksburg Road's paved surface in accordance with DPWT.

- 6) The applicant shall dedicate all road rights-of-way shown on the approved preliminary plan to the full width mandated by the Master Plan unless otherwise designated on the preliminary plan.
- 7) Record plat to reflect common ingress/egress and utility easements.
- 8) Compliance with the conditions of the MCDPS stormwater management approval dated May 6, 2005.
- 9) Compliance with conditions of the MCDPS (Health Dept.) septic approval letter dated May 27, 2005.
- 10) Record plat shall indicate that acreage within Outlot "A" has been used in the density calculations for the overall property and that all available density has been taken from the parent parcel with the approval of the subject preliminary plan.
- 11) Other necessary easements.
- 12)Access and improvements as required to be approved by MCDPWT prior to recordation of plat.

This Preliminary Plan will remain valid for 36 months from its Initiation Date (as defined in Montgomery County Code Section 50-35(h), as amended). Prior to the expiration of this validity period, a final record plat for all property delineated on the approved preliminary plan must be recorded among the Montgomery County Land Records or a request for an extension must be filed.

M-NCPPC LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

M-NCPPC LEGAL DEPARTMENT

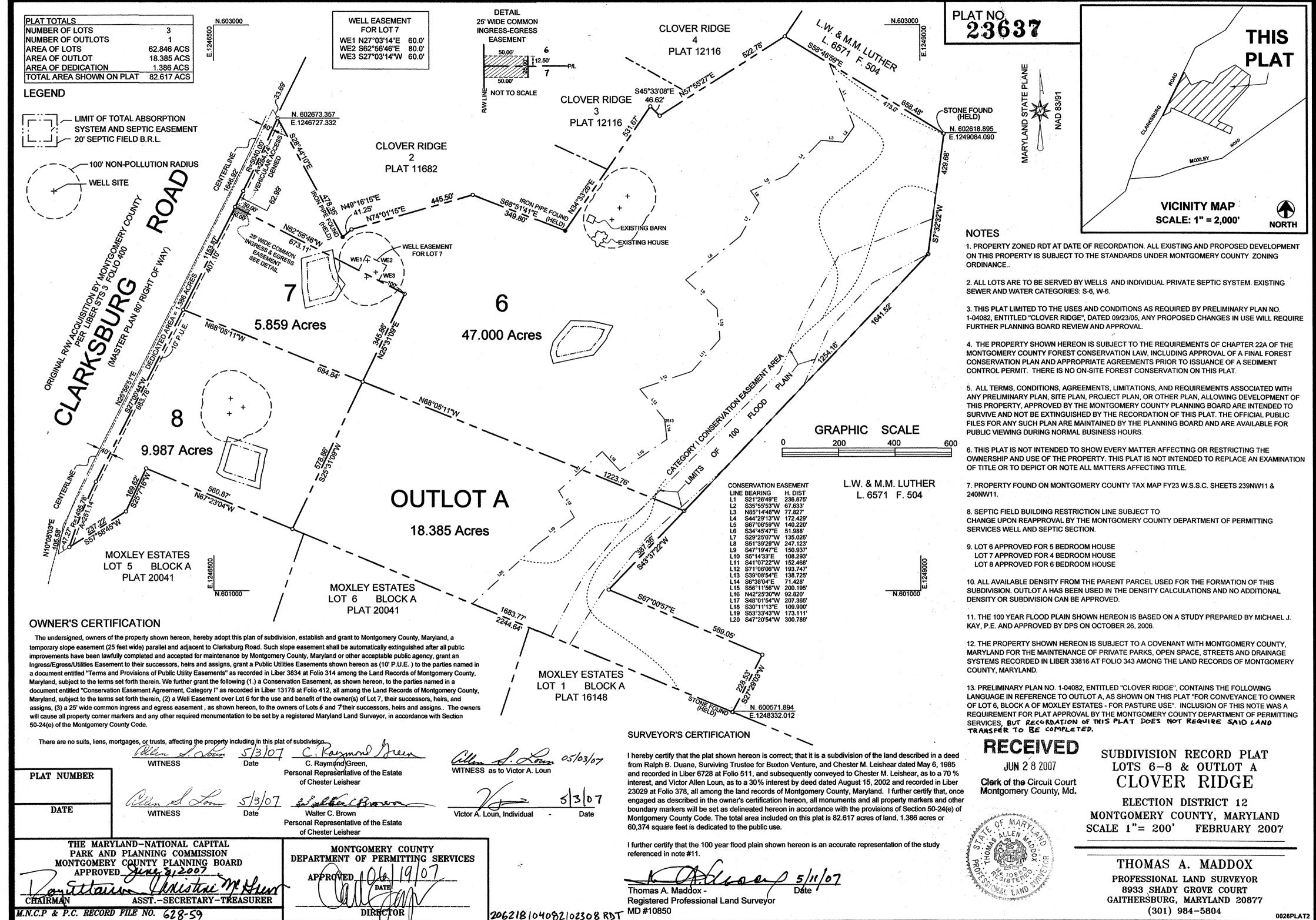
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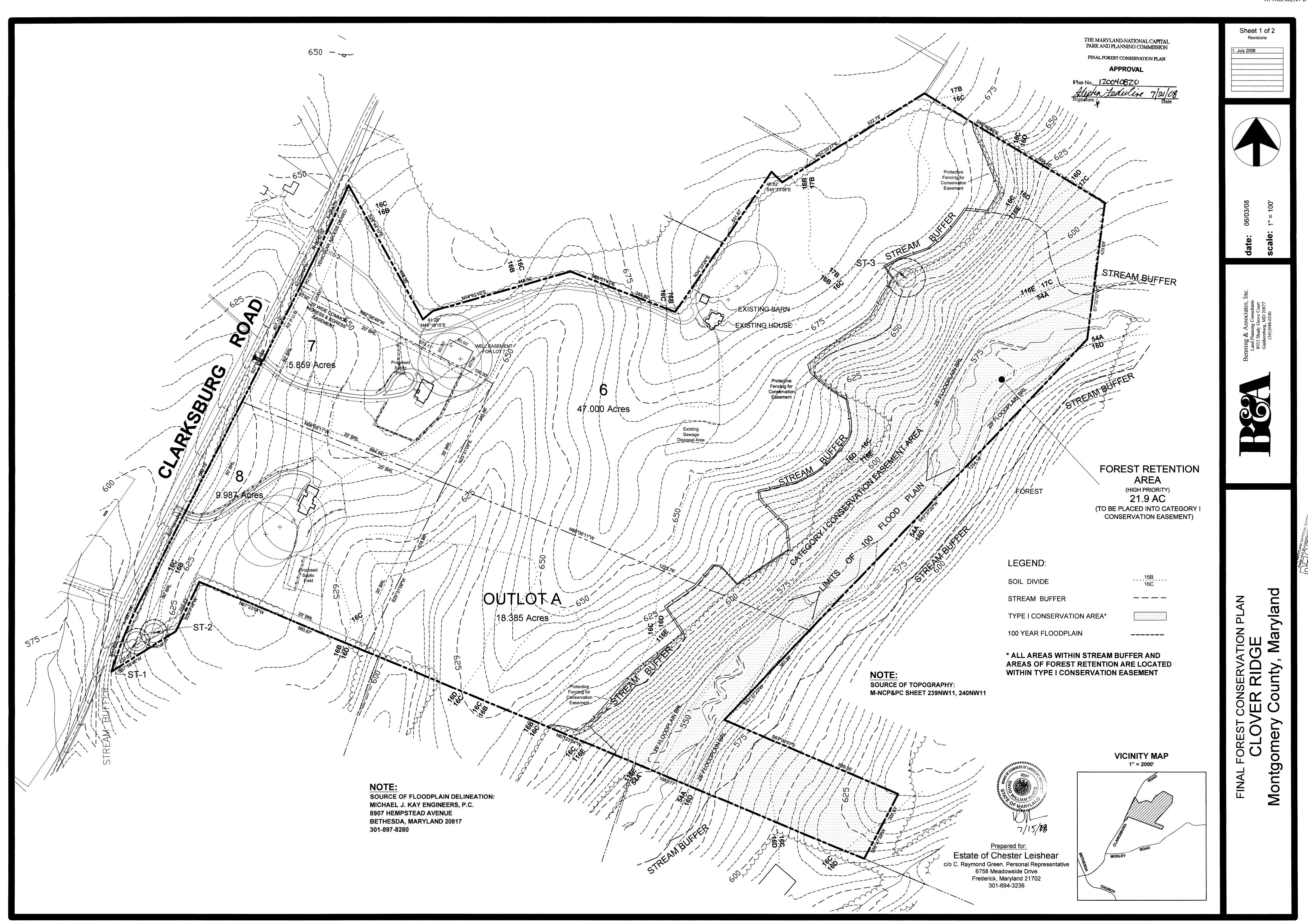
### CERTIFICATION OF BOARD ADOPTION OF OPINION

At its regular meeting, held on Thursday, September 15, 2005, in Silver Spring, Maryland, the Montgomery County Planning Board of The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, by unanimous consent ADOPTED the above Opinion which constitutes the final decision of the Planning Board and memorializes the Board's findings of fact and conclusions of law for Preliminary Plan No. 1-04082, Clover Ridge. Vice Chair Perdue was absent.

Certification As To Vote of Adoption

E, Ann Daly, Technical Writer





- a. An on-site pre-construction meeting shall be required after the limits of disturbance have been staked and flagged, but before any clearing or grading begins. The owner shall contact the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission inspection staff prior to commencing construction to verify the limits of disturbance and discuss tree protection and tree care measures. The attendants at this meeting should include: developer's representative, construction superintendent, ISA certified arborist or MD license tree expert that will implement the tree protection measures, M-NCPPC inspector, and DPS sediment control inspector.
- b. No clearing or grading shall begin before stress-reduction measures have been implemented. Appropriate measures may include, but are not limited to:
  - i. Root pruning
  - ii. Crown Reduction or pruning
  - iii. Watering
  - iv. Fertilizing
  - v. Vertical mulching vi. Root aeration matting

Measures not specified on the forest conservation plan may be required as determined by the M-NCPPC inspector in coordination with the arborist.

- c. A State of Maryland licensed tree expert, or an International Society of Arboriculture certified arborist must perform all stress reduction measures. Documentation of stress reduction measures must be either observed by the MNCPPC inspector or sent to the MNCPPC inspector at 8787 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20910. The MNCPPC inspector will determine the exact method to convey the stress reductions measures during the pre-construction meeting.
- d. Temporary tree protection devices shall be installed per the Forest Conservation Plan and prior to any construction activities. Tree protection fencing locations should be staked prior to the pre-construction meeting. M-NCPPC inspector, in coordination with the DPS sediment control inspector, may make field adjustments to increase the survivability of trees and forest shown as saved on the approved plan. Temporary tree protect devices may include:
  - i. Chain link fence (four feet high) Snow fence (four feet high)
  - Super silt fence
  - iv. 14 gauge 2 inch x 4 inch welded wire fencing supported by steel T-bar posts (minimum 4 feet high) with high visibility
- e. Temporary protection devices shall be maintained and installed by the contractor for the duration of construction project and must not be altered without prior approval from MNCPPC. No equipment, trucks, materials, or debris may be stored within the tree protection fence areas during the entire construction project. No vehicle or equipment access to the fenced area will be permitted. Tree protection shall not be removed without prior approval of MNCPPC. Tree protection devices to be coordinated with erosion and sediment control devices as indicated on the approved Erosion and Sediment Control plan approved by the Department of Permitting Services.
- f. Forest retention area signs shall be installed as required by the MNCPPC inspector, or as shown approved plan.
- g. Long-term protection devices will be installed per the Forest Conservation Plan and attached details. Installation will occur at the appropriate time during the construction project. Refer to the plan drawing for long-term protection measures to be installed.
- h. Periodic inspections by MNCPPC will occur during the construction project. Corrections and repairs to all tree protection devices, as determined by the MNCPPC inspector, must be made within the timeframe established by the MNCPPC inspector.
- i. After construction is completed, an inspection shall be requested. Corrective measures which may be required include:
  - i. Removal and replacement of dead and dying trees ii. Pruning of dead or declining limbs
  - ii. Soil aeration iv. Fertilization
  - v. Watering

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# FOREST CONSERVATION WORKSHEET

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Liriodendron tulipifera

CONSERVATION | AFFORESTATION

50% = 41.74 AC | 20%= 16.69 AC

THRESHOLD

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Poison ly on trunk

To be retained

THERE ARE NO STATE OR COUNTY CHAMPION TREES OR TREES WITHIN 75% OF STATE AND COUNTY CHAMPION STANDARDS.

30.0"

Tulip Poplar





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THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION FINAL FOREST CONSERVATION PLAN

**APPROVAL** 



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### ATTACHMENT E

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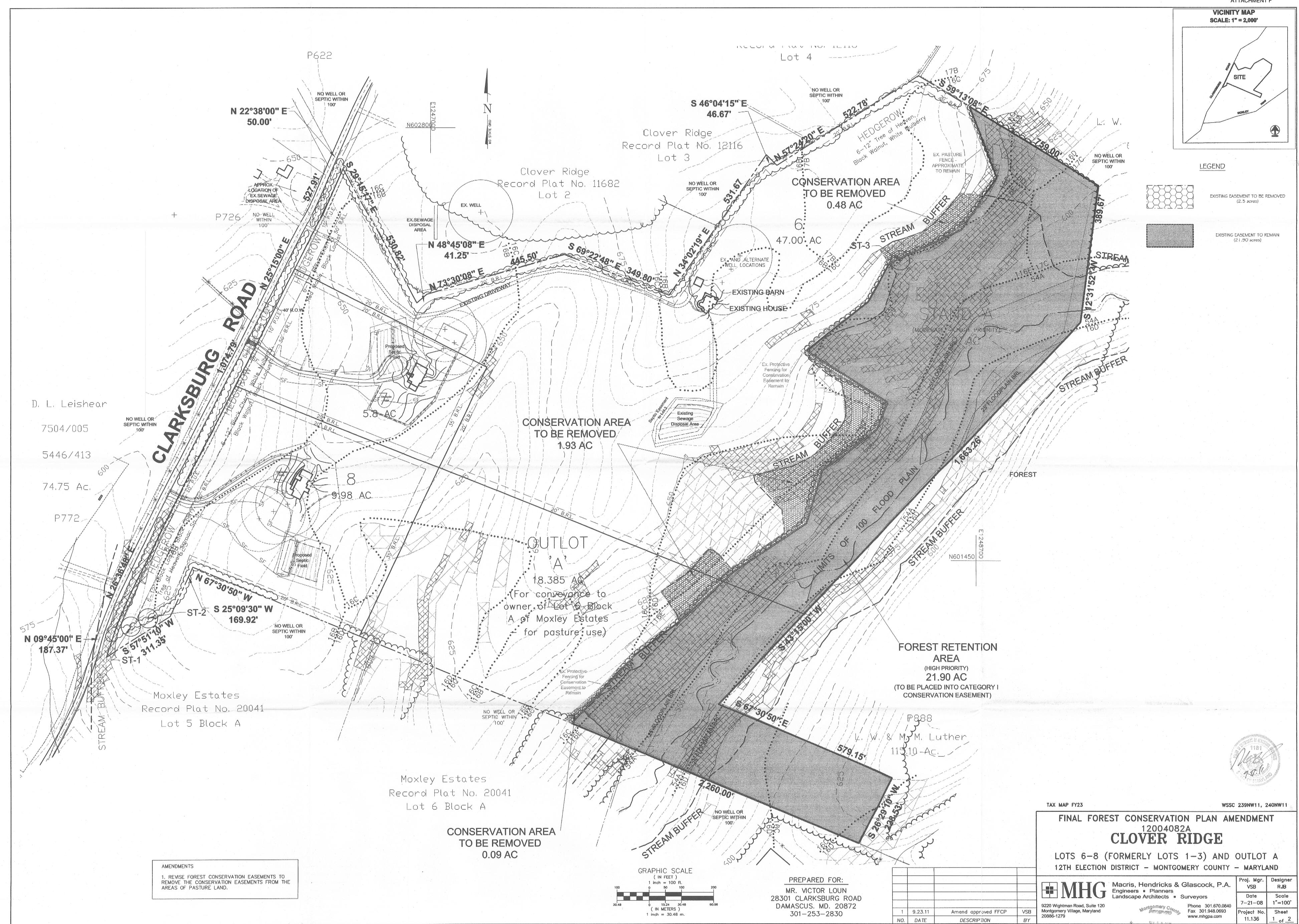
# Administrative Citation Forest Conservation

The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission

Company/Position: Middle Address: Last 28301 CLARKSBURG DAMASONS, MD 20872 Phone Number: 301 - 253 - 2830 Fax Number: Email: ps oun@ mon. com **Location and Description of Violation:** Address/location of site: 28301 CLAPKEBERG PO Pursuant of the M-NCPPC's authority under Chapter 22A of the Montgomery County Code, it is formally charged that the above named defendant on 2/7/2011 (date) at the stated site location did commit the following:

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[ (doct\_Tinue() AGRICULTURAL OR MONING ACTIVITIES ARE OCCUPING WITHIN THE CAT. ] 2. PERMANENT FENCE HAS NOT BEEN INSTALLED AS SPECIFIED ON THE APPRICED In violation of: Montgomery County Code, Chapter 22A
Approval of Final FCP Plan No. 120040820 Other: Civil Fine and Compliance: 1. (a) You shall pay a fine of \$ 500.00 by FEB 21 2011 (date) and complete the remedial action listed below \_\_\_\_\_\_(date). The daily fine shall accrue (until the original (b) You shall pay a daily fine of \$ fine is paid. 2. ☐ You shall pay a daily fine of \$\_\_\_ until the remedial action listed below is completed. This fine shall be paid within 15 days of completion of all remedial action. Checks should be made payable to M-NCPPC and shall be paid during normal business hours at the information Counter of M-NCPPC's Montgomery Regional Office located at 8787 Georgia Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Silver Spring, MD 20910, 301-495-4610. Failure to comply with this citation may result in further enforcement proceedings and/or issuance of additional citations including additional fines. You may also request a hearing before the Planning Board or the Board's designee. If you elect to request a hearing, you must notify the M-NCPPC Office of the General Counsel, in writing, at 8787 Georgia Avenue, Suite 205, Silver Spring, MD 20910, Remedial Action: 1. CEASE ALL AGRICULTURAL AND/OR MOWING ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE CAT! I 2. Install the Fence as specifico on the Approved Final FOREST CONSERVATION 3. Install 8"x5" METAL EASEMENT SIGNAGE TO FENCE POSTS. 4. REMOVE SHED FROM EASEMENT. by: MARCH 7, 2011 (date) If remedial action is not completed by MARCH 7, 2011 (date), you shall pay a daily fine of \$ 500.00 2. You have violated Chapter 22A of the Montgomery County Code, and may be subject to an Administrative Civil Penalty and additional corrective measures. \_a day until work is completed. I sign my name as a receipt of a copy of this Citation and not as an admission of guilt. I will comply with the requirements set forth in this Citation. I have a right to request a hearing for the offense(s) charged. If I do not exercise my right to a hearing, I agree to entry by the court judgment on affidavit for the amount of the fine. Defendant's Signature Date I solemnly affirm under the penalties of perjury, and upon personal knowledge or based on the affidavit, that the contents of this citation are true to the best of my Inspector's Signature 2/7/2011 DOUG JOHNSEH Phone Number: 301-495-4712
douglas.johnsen@montgomeryplanning.org



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1. July 2008

# FINAL FOREST CONSERVATION PLAN NOTES:

a. An on site pre-construction meeting shall be required after the limits of disturbance have been staked and flagged, but before any clearing or grading begins. The owner shall contact the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission inspection staff prior to commencing construction to verify the limits of disturbance and discuss tree protection and free care measures. The attendants at this meeting should include: developer's representative, construction superintendent, ISA certified arborist or MD license tree expert that will implement the tree protection measures. M-NCPPC inspector, and DPS sediment control inspector.

 b. No cleaning or grading shall begin before stress-reduction measures. have been implemented. Appropriate measures may include, but are not limited to:

i Root pruning

ii Crown Reduction or pruning

Watering iv. Fertilizing

v. Vertical mulching vi. Rool aeration matting

Measures not specified on the forest conservation plan may be required as determined by the M-NCPPC inspector in coordination with the arborist.

c. A State of Maryland licensed tree expert, or an International Society of Arboniculture certified arbonist must perform all stress reduction measures. Documentation of stress reduction measures must be either observed by the MNCPPC inspector or sent to the MNCPPC inspector at 8787 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20910. The MNCPPC inspector will determine the exact method to convey the stress reductions measures during the pre-construction meeting.

d. Temporary tree protection devices shall be installed per the Forest Conservation Plan and prior to any construction activities. Tree protection fencing locations should be staked prior to the pre-construction meeting. M-NCPPC inspector, in coordination with the DPS sediment control inspector, may make field adjustments to increase the survivability of trees and forest shown as saved on the approved plan. Temporary tree protect devices may include:

I Chain link fence (four feet high) ii. Snow lence (four feet high)

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iv. 14 gauge 2 inch x 4 inch welded wire fencing supported by steel T-bar posts (minimum 4 feet high) with high visibility

 Temporary protection devices shall be maintained and installed by the contractor for the duration of construction project and must not be altered without prior approval from MNCPPC. No equipment, trucks, materials, or debris may be stored within the tree protection fence areas during the entire construction project. No vehicle or equipment access to the fenced area will be permitted. Tree protection shall not be removed without prior approval of MNCPPC. Tree protection devices to be coordinated with erosion and sediment control devices as indicated on the approved Erosion and Sediment Control plan approved by the Department of Permitting Services.

f. Forest retention area signs shall be installed as required by the MNCPPC inspector, or as shown approved plan. g. Long-term protection devices will be installed per the Forest

Conservation Plan and attached details. Installation will occur at the appropriate time during the construction project. Refer to the plan drawing for long-term protection measures to be installed.

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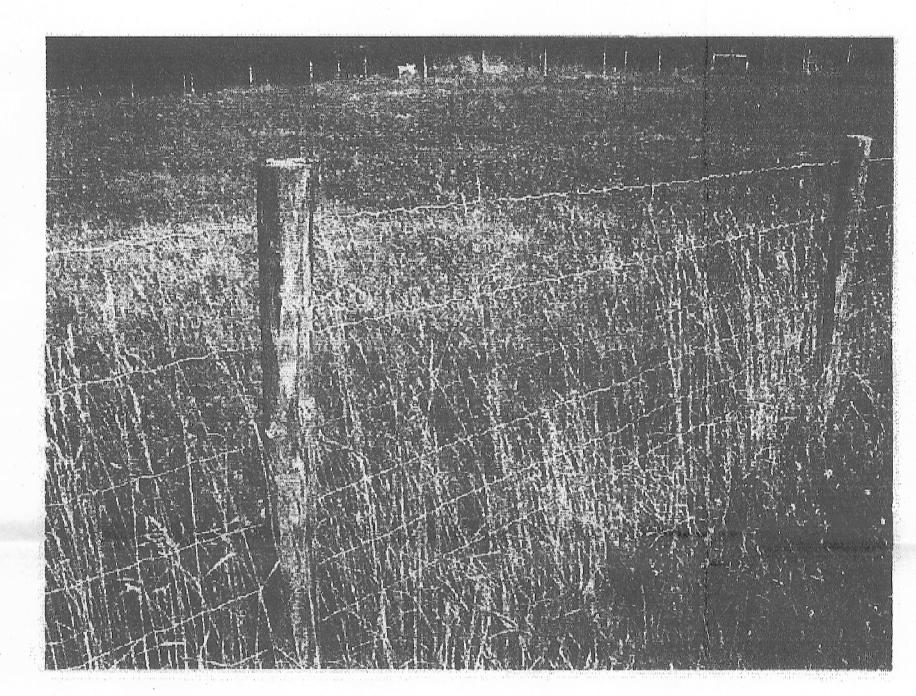
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FINAL FOREST CONSERVATION PLAN

AMENDMENTS

1. REVISE FOREST CONSERVATION EASEMENTS TO REMOVE THE CONSERVATION EASEMENTS FROM THE AREAS OF PASTURE LAND.

TAX MAP FY23

Amend approved FFCP

DESCRIPTION

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NO. DATE

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FINAL FOREST CONSERVATION PLAN AMENDMENT

CLOVER RIDGE

LOTS 6-8 (FORMERLY LOTS 1-3) AND OUTLOT A

12TH ELECTION DISTRICT - MONTGOMERY COUNTY - MARYLAND

Macris, Hendricks & Glascock, P.A. Engineers and Planners
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Proj. Mgr. Designer RJB Scale Date 7-21-08 1"=100" Project No. Sheet 11.136

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