



August 21, 2024

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Re: Forest Conservation Exemption: 42024153E
Property Name: Burnt Hill Road Bridge No. M-0157X01

Dear Jose Thommana

Based on the review by staff of the Montgomery County Planning Department, the exemption request submitted on June 5, 2024 for Burnt Hill Road Bridge No. M-0157X01 Property, #42024153E, is confirmed. The project is exempt from Article II of the Montgomery County Code, Chapter 22A (Forest Conservation Law), under Section 22A-5(e) a State, County, or municipal highway construction activity that is subject to Section 5-103 of the Natural Resources Article of the Maryland Code, or Section 22A-9. All requirements of an exemption for a County or municipal highway construction activity are detailed in Section 22A-6(d) and Section 22A-9.

Prior to any Land disturbing activity, the Applicant must make a fee-in-lieu payment for 0.71 acres of forest replacement as per the approved plan.

A pre-construction meeting is required after the limits of disturbance have been staked prior to clearing and grading to verify the limits of disturbance and to determine what tree protections are required per the accompanying Tree Save Plan. The M-NCPPC forest conservation inspection staff may require additional tree protection measures.

Please contact Kara Farthing at 240-772-6453 or kara.farthing@montgomeryplanning.org at least 7 days in advance to schedule your pre-construction meeting. The site supervisor, construction superintendent, forest conservation inspector, a private Maryland licensed tree expert, and the Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services sediment control inspector shall attend this pre-construction meeting.

Any changes from the approved exemption request may constitute grounds to rescind or amend any approval actions taken and to take appropriate enforcement actions. If there are any



subsequent modifications planned to the approved plan, a new application must be submitted to M-NCPPC for review and confirmation prior to those activities occurring.

Sincerely,

Joshua Penn
Planner III

cc: Harry Canfield