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FOREST CONSERVATION ORDINANCE REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION**PROJECT INFORMATION***

PROJECT NAME:

LOCATION:

TAX MAP:

BLOCK:

PARCEL:

LOT:

Tax Account ID #:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

ACREAGE OF TIMBER HARVEST:

ACRES

*ALL FIELDS ARE REQUIRED

EXEMPTION INFORMATION**EXEMPTION IS REQUESTED FROM THE WASHINGTON COUNTY FOREST CONSERVATION ORDINANCE PURSUANT TO SECTION 3.2:**☐

(A)

UNIT OF LAND OR NEW DISTURBANCE LESS THAN 20,000 SQUARE FEET

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(B)

SIMPLIFIED PLAT

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(C)

APPLICATION SUBMITTED BEFORE EFFECTIVE DATE OF FEBRUARY 2, 1993, OR EFFECTIVE DATE OF AMENDMENTS

(1) SUBSEQUENT PLAN APPROVALS OF SAME SECTION EXEMPT

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(D)

* DWELLING FOR OWNER OR IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER ON LAND OF OWNER WHERE FOREST DISTURBANCE IS LESS THAN 20,000 SQUARE FEET

NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER(S)

RELATIONSHIP TO OWNER(S)

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(E)

* RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY EXCEPT SUBDIVISION ON A LOT, TRACT OR PARCEL THAT EXISTED PRIOR TO FEBRUARY 2, 1993, WHERE FOREST DISTURBANCE IS LESS THAN 20,000 SQUARE FEET

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(F)

* AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITY WITH NO CHANGE IN LAND USE

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* REAL ESTATE TRANSFER WITH NO CHANGE IN LAND USE OR NEW DEVELOPMENT OR REDEVELOPMENT, WITH ASSOCIATED LAND DISTURBING ACTIVITIES

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(H)

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES UNDER NATURAL RESOURCES ARTICLE, §5-103

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EXEMPTION INFORMATION (CONT)

- ☐ (I) CUTTING OR CLEARING OF PUBLIC UTILITY RIGHTS-OF-WAY OR LAND FOR ELECTRIC GENERATING STATIONS LICENSED PURSUANT TO §7-205, §7-207 OR §7-208 OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES ARTICLE PROVIDED THAT:
- (1) ANY REQUIRED CERTIFICATES OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY HAVE BEEN ISSUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH NATURAL RESOURCES ARTICLE, §5-1603(F); AND
 - (2) THE CUTTING OR CLEARING OF THE FOREST IS CONDUCTED SO AS TO MINIMIZE THE LOSS OF FOREST.
- ☐ (J) ROUTINE MAINTENANCE OR EMERGENCY REPAIRS OF PUBLIC UTILITY RIGHTS- OF-WAY LICENSED UNDER PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANIES, §7-207 AND 7-208 OR 7-205, ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND
- ☐ (K) COMMERCIAL LOGGING AND TIMBER HARVESTING UNDER TAX-PROPERTY ARTICLE, §8-211 COMPLETED BEFORE ADOPTION OF THIS ORDINANCE FEBRUARY 2, 1993
- ☐ (L) * COMMERCIAL LOGGING AND TIMBER HARVESTING OPERATIONS AS NOTED IN (K) ABOVE, COMPLETED AFTER ADOPTION OF THIS ORDINANCE FEBRUARY 2, 1993
- ☐ (M) NONCOAL SURFACE MINING REGULATED UNDER ENVIRONMENT ARTICLE, TITLE 15, SUBTITLE 8
- ☐ (N) STRIP OR DEEP MINING OF COAL REGULATED UNDER ENVIRONMENT ARTICLE, TITLE 15, SUBTITLE 5 OR 6
- ☐ (O) CUTTING OR CLEARING OF TREES TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF:
- (1) 14 C.F.R. 77.25 RELATING TO OBJECTS AFFECTING NAVIGABLE AIRSPACE, PROVIDED THAT THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION HAS DETERMINED THAT THE TREES ARE A HAZARD TO AVIATION
 - (2) THE EXEMPTION DOES NOT APPLY TO THE CUTTING OR CLEARING OF TREES TO FACILITATE THE EXPANSION OR EXTENSION OF THE BOUNDARIES OF ANY AIRPORT OR RUNWAY
- ☐ (P) AN ACTIVITY ON A PREVIOUSLY DEVELOPED AREA COVERED BY IMPERVIOUS SURFACE AND LOCATED IN PRIORITY FUNDING AREAS AT THE TIME OF THE APPLICATION FOR SUBDIVISION PLAN, GRADING, OR SEDIMENT CONTROL PERMIT APPROVAL.
- ☐ (Q) ANY STREAM RESTORATION PROJECT FOR WHICH THE APPLICANT FOR A GRADING OR SEDIMENT CONTROL PERMIT HAS EXECUTED A BINDING MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT OF AT LEAST 5 YEARS WITH THE AFFECTED PROPERTY OWNER OR OWNERS.
- ☐ (R) MAINTENANCE OR RETROFITTING OF A STORMWATER MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE THAT MAY INCLUDE CLEARING OF VEGETATION OR REMOVAL AND TRIMMING OF TREES SO LONG AS:
- (1) THE MAINTENANCE OR RETROFITTING IS WITHIN THE ORIGINAL LIMITS OF DISTURBANCE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE EXISTING STRUCTURE; OR
 - (2) WITHIN ANY MAINTENANCE EASEMENT FOR ACCESS TO THE STRUCTURE

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EXEMPTION INFORMATION (CONT)

☐ (S) THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FACILITY PROJECTED TO HOUSE THE EMPLOYMENT OF AT LEAST 2,500 PERSONS

☐ (T) REPLATS OR OTHER CHANGES TO PREVIOUSLY APPROVED LOTS NOT REQUIRING SUBDIVISION

* A DECLARATION OF INTENT IS REQUIRED FOR THESE EXEMPTIONS AND MUST ACCOMPANY THE PLAN SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL. WHERE POSSIBLE THE DECLARATION OF INTENT SHALL BE PLACED ON THE PLAT FOR RECORDATION. WHEN THE DECLARATION OF INTENT IS NOT PROVIDED ON A SUBDIVISION PLAT IT MUST BE NOTORIZED PRIOR TO RECORDATION.

☐ CHECK HERE IF A DRAWING OR OTHER DOCUMENTATION IS SUPPLIED WITH THIS REQUEST. IF THIS EXEMPTION IS APPROVED, IT IS BASED UPON THE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SUPPLIED, WHICH SHALL ALWAYS BE SUPPLIED WHENEVER COPYING THIS DOCUMENT.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

APPLICANT INFORMATION OR BEST CONTACT FOR ANY ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

NAME:

EMAIL:

PHONE NUMBER:

PARTY THAT SHOULD RECEIVE NOTIFICATION OF THE ACTION ON THIS EXEMPTION REQUEST

NAME:

MAILING ADDRESS:

EMAIL:

PHONE NUMBER:

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EXEMPTION APPROVED BY:

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE
DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & ZONING

DATE

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