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## MD Department of Natural Resources Rural Legacy Program

Anne Arundel South - Rural Legacy Area

## **APPLICATION FOR EASEMENT SALE**

Landowner's Name(s)
Address
Phone #
Contact Person (if different from listed owner)
Address Phone
Property Location (if different from owner's address)
Tax Map #Parcel #Tax ID (from your tax bill)
I - Information Relating to the Development Potential of the Property
Total acres  Number of parcels    Number and type of dwelling (principal residence, guest house, tenant house, etc.) on each
parcel
Number of unused development rights (if known)
Do you wish to retain any of those development rights to build a home in the future yes no <i>The value of the easement will be significantly reduced by any development rights retained.</i>
Is the land currently subject to any easement restrictions (eg pipeline, transmission tower, historic or environmental protection easements)? yes no
If yes, please describe the easement in detail

#### **II - Information Relating to the Land Features and Resource Values**

Approximately how many acres of the site are currently in cropland or pasture?
Is there a Soil Conservation and Water Quality (SCWQ) Plan currently in effect?yesno If yes please attach a copy. <i>A SCWQ will need to be prepared for this property if an easement is acquired.</i>
How many acres are currently or potentially commercial woodland?
Is there an active Forest Conservation and Management Agreement; Woodland Management Plan; Forest Resource Management Plan; or Timber Management Plan currently in effect? yesno If yes, please attach a copy to the application.
When Property contains more than 5 acres of contiguous "Woodland" (as defined below), a Forest Stewardship Plan is required. Please note, contiguity is not considered "broken" by things such as a utility line or a fireline. Use the sample Deed of Easement to reference the specifics of what kind of Plan should be written for your property.
Are there significant farm buildings, or farm infrastructure on the site (corncribs, implement shed, dairy barn, etc.)?yesno If yes, please list
Approximate number of feet of public road frontage feet.
III - Natural Resource Characteristics of the Property
Approximate linear feet of streams running through the property
Approximate linear feet of streams with established forest buffers of at least 70 feetfeet As a condition of the easement you will be expected to maintain a 70 foot grass or wooded buffer along the edge of all streams. Approved stream crossings for livestock will be allowed.
Approximate acres of wetland on the property acres acres acres If there is currently a wetlands reserve program (WRP) in place on the site, please include with your application.
IV - Additional Protection Options
These are actions that you may choose to take - they are not program requirements.

The easement value will be increased if you choose to participate.

Are you willing to establish additional forest and / or wildlife habitat management practices on your property (For example: If the need arises to add protection for a specific species)? \_\_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_\_no

If yes, indicate the number of acres you are willing to convert to and / or enhance existing wildlife habitat.

### V - Historic Features

Is your property located within a national, state or locally designated Historic District or Village?
yesno  If yes, please name    Does your property include a contributing structure to a National Historic District?   yesno  If yes, please name structure
Is your property a County, State of Federal Historic Landmark?yesno
Is your property a Bicentennial or Century Farm? yes no
VI – Additional Information
How many years have you owned the property?
Is this an owner - operated farm? yes no
Are there any specialty or unique farming operations? yesno If yes, what are the operations?
Is there any imminent development threat? yesno If yes, please describe
Have you completed an environmental assessment on the property for any reason? yes no <i>If yes, please attach. If such an assessment has not been completed, please note that one will be conducted prior to easement settlement.</i>
Names and addresses of any holders of mortgages, liens, deeds of trust, or other encumbrances on the property: <i>All lien (mortgage) holders will be required to subordinate their interests to an easement.</i>
Is the land presently subject to any court proceedings? (i.e. bankruptcy, etc.)yesno
If yes, describe:

Other information regarding your property that you feel would be helpful in evaluating your application

By this application I express my intention to pursue the process of easement sale if this application is chosen for funding by Anne Arundel County. I understand that this does not obligate me to sell an easement and that if the terms of the easement or the price offer are not agreeable to me I may withdraw from further negotiations. I understand that all easements obtained under this program will be held by Anne Arundel County. I hereby certify that the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge and agree to a site visit and verification of all information regarding my property by County staff or representatives. Owner's Signature (s) \_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please submit completed applications to:

Anne Arundel County Department of Recreation and Parks Barbara Polito, Program Administrator 1 Harry S. Truman Parkway, MS 3225 Annapolis, Maryland 21401

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