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February 4, 2008

Ms. Pam Cotter
Anne Arundel County
Office of Planning and Zoning
2664 Riva Road, MS 6401
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Re: Local Case 2008-0021-V
Sandra Sarget

Dear Ms. Cotter:

Thank you for submitting the above referenced variance. The applicant is requesting a variance to allow a new single family dwelling with less Buffer than required. The property is classified as a Limited Development Area (LDA) and located entirely within the 100-foot Buffer. An existing garage lies partially within the lot, which will be removed prior to construction.

Provided the lot is properly grandfathered, we do not oppose this variance request. Based on the information provided, I have the following comments:

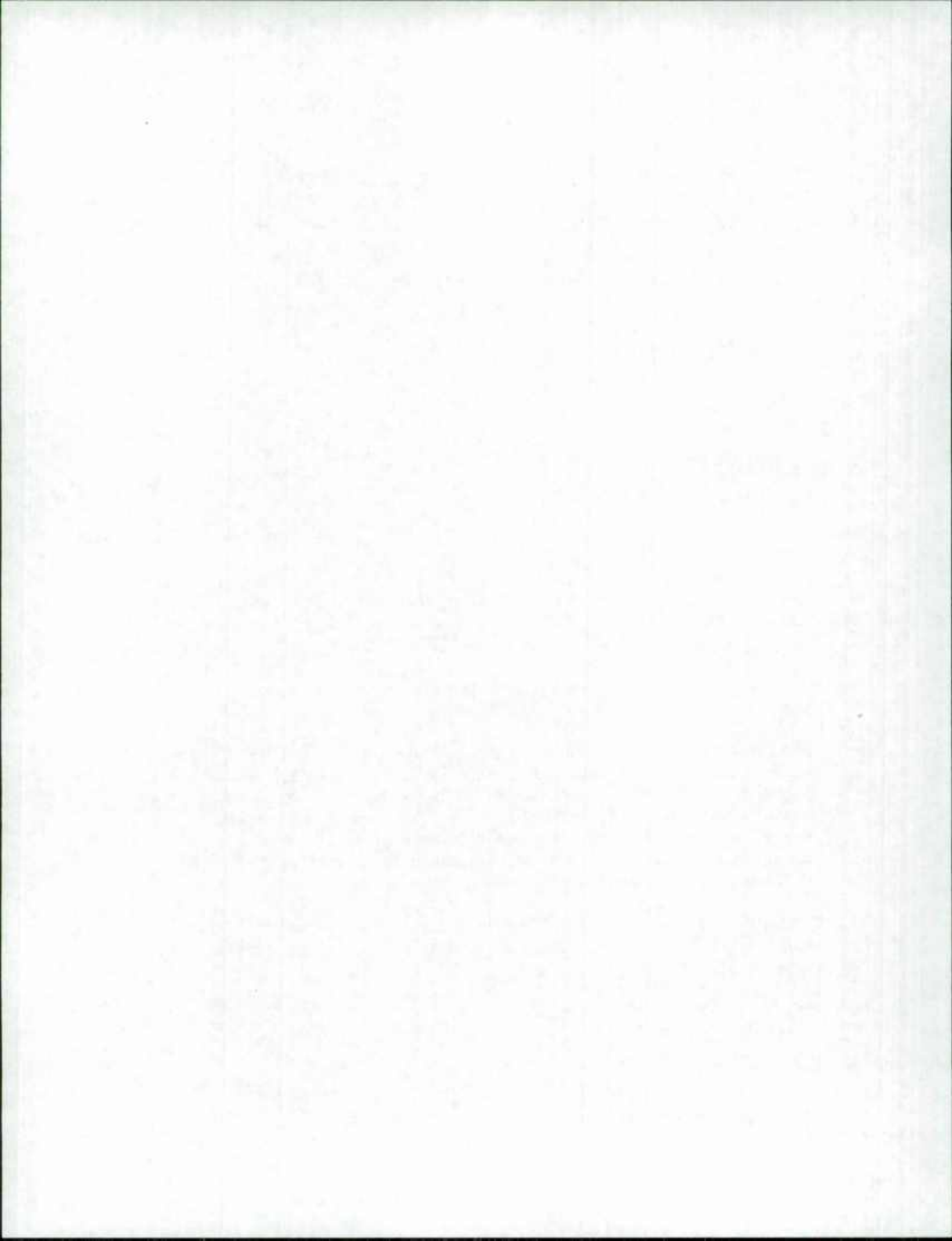
1. Mitigation of 3:1 for the new impervious surface within the 100-foot Buffer should be required. Rather than fee-in-lieu the entire mitigation should be accommodated on both Lot 6 and Lot 7, as both are owned by the applicant, within the 100-foot Buffer. Plantings should consist of a mix of native trees and shrubs and blend with the existing forested area on the Lots.
2. In addition to the mitigation described above, the applicant should provide appropriate best management practices for stormwater management to treat the new impervious surface, including all rooftop areas.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments. Please include this letter in your file and submit it as part of the record for this variance. Also, please notify the Commission in writing of the decision made in this case.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kate Schmidt".

Kate Schmidt
Natural Resources Planner
AA61-08



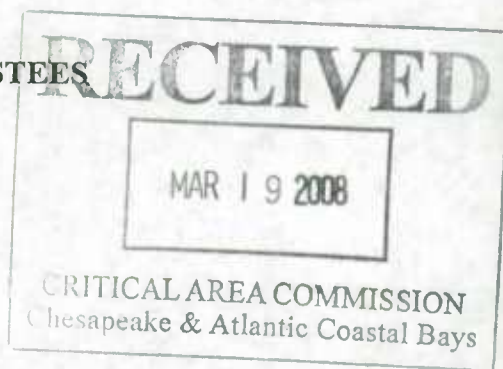
IN THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

CASE NUMBER 2008-0021-V

RICK AND SANDRA SARGENT, TRUSTEES

FIRST ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

DATE HEARD: MARCH 11, 2008



ORDERED BY: STEPHEN M. LeGENDRE, ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER

PLANNER: LORI RHODES

DATE FILED: MARCH 17th, 2008

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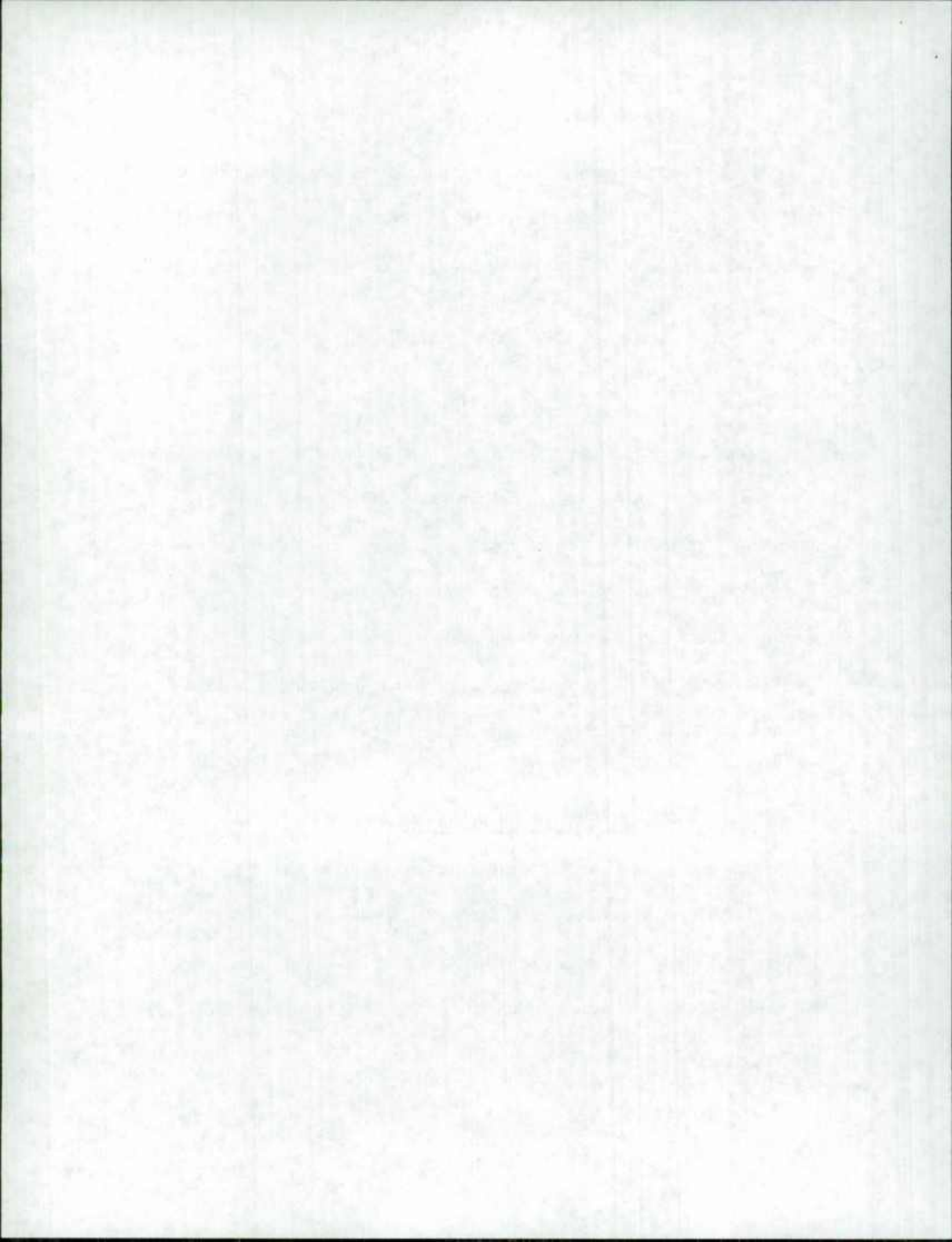
Rick and Sandra Sargent, Trustees, the applicants, seek a variance (2008-0021-V) to allow a dwelling with less buffer than required on property located along the southwest side of Loch Haven Drive, southwest of South River Terrace, Edgewater.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

The hearing notice was posted on the County's web site in accordance with the County Code. The file contains the certification of mailing to community associations and interested persons. Each person designated in the application as owning land that is located within 175 feet of the property was notified by mail, sent to the address furnished with the application. James Robinson testified that the property was posted for more than 14 days prior to the hearing. I find and conclude that there has been compliance with the notice requirements.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

This case concerns property with a street address of 3579 Loch Haven Drive, also known as Lot 6 in the Loch Haven Beach subdivision, Edgewater. The property comprises 11,250 square feet and is zoned R5 residential with a Chesapeake Bay Critical Area designation as Limited Development Area (LDA). The only improvements are a garage and graveled driveway associated with a



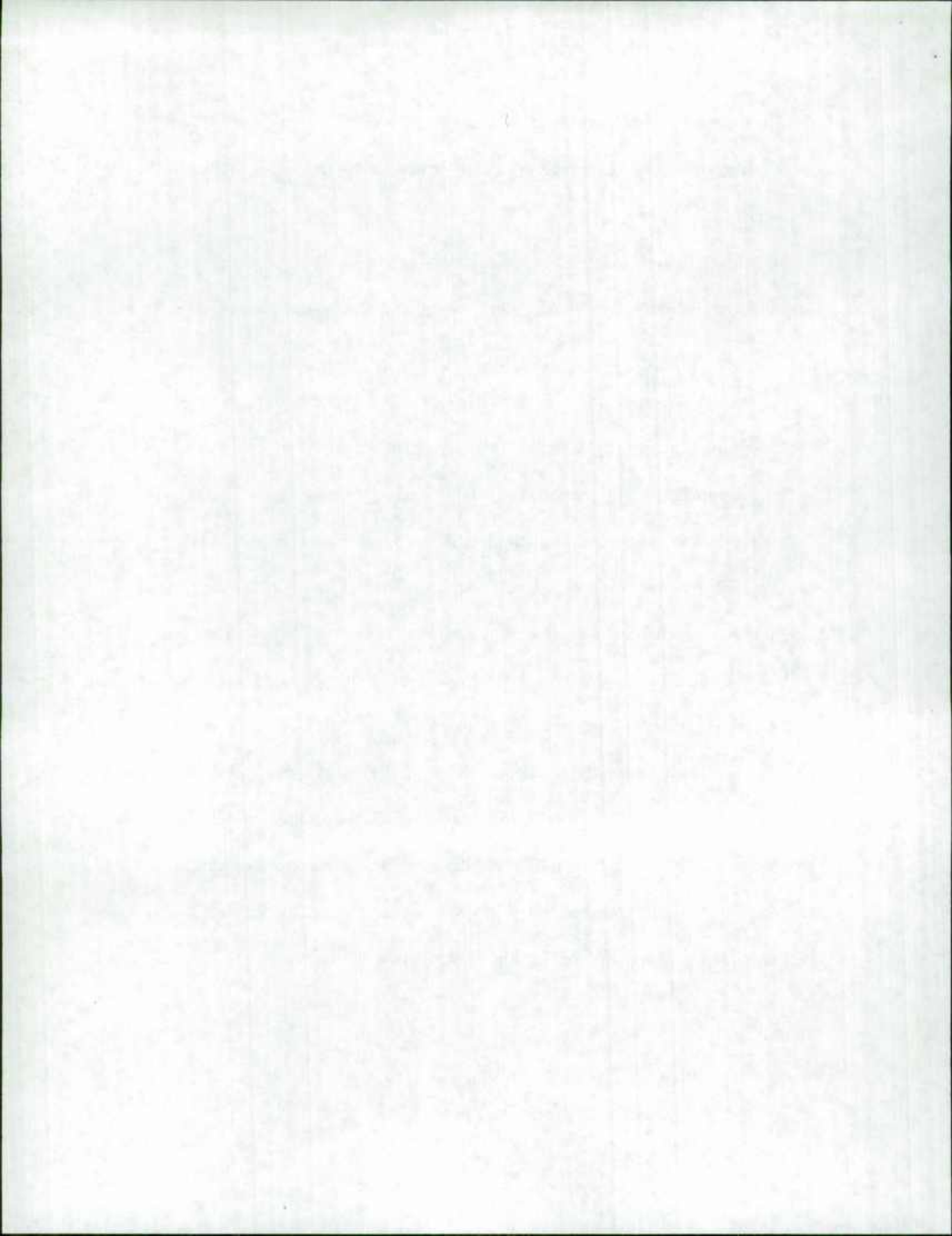
dwelling on Lot 7 to the north.¹ The request is to develop Lot 6 with a dwelling, well, septic, driveway and rain gardens with disturbance to the buffer to tidal wetlands.²

Anne Arundel County Code, Article 18, Section 18-13-104 establishes a 100-foot buffer from tidal wetlands. Accordingly, the proposal requires a variance to disturb the buffer.

Lori Rhodes, a planner with the Office of Planning and Zoning, testified that the property is wholly located in the tidal wetlands buffer. The request is within the allowance for impervious coverage (2,025 square feet versus 3,515 square feet). The project includes stormwater management and mitigation plantings. The request is considered consistent with the character of the neighborhood, including other properties that receive variances for development with disturbances to non-tidal wetlands. The witness summarized the agency comments. The Health Department requires plan approval. The Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Commission did not oppose the request, subject to mitigation with plantings in the buffer. The County's Development Division suggested relocating the dwelling closer to the front building restriction line. However Ms. Rhodes countered that the change would adversely impact the root system of a large tree. By way of ultimate conclusion, Ms. Rhodes supported the request.

¹ The applicants also own Lot 7.

² At the hearing, the applicants revised the site plan to include a pervious rear deck addition (12 X 16 feet).

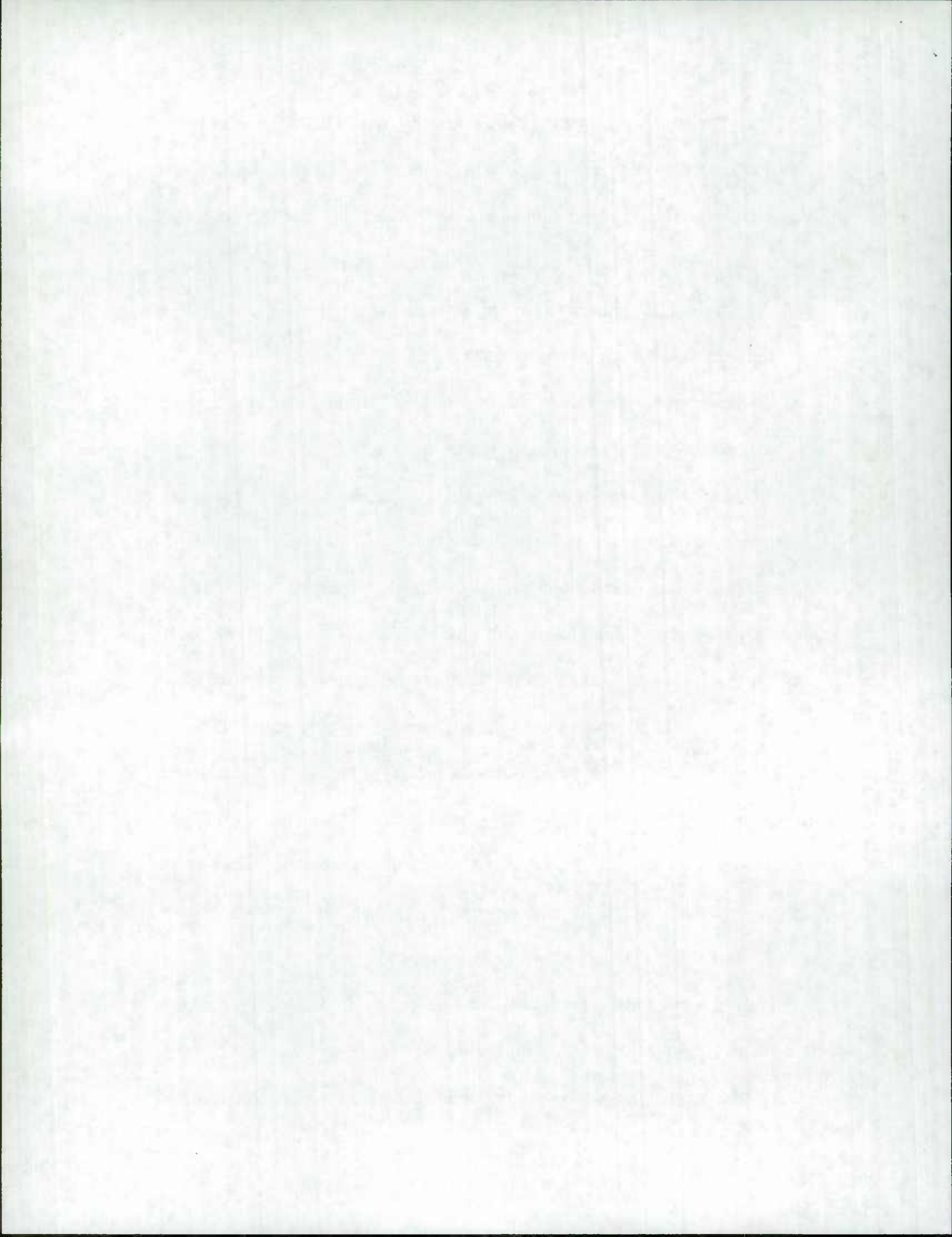


Ed Brown, a surveyor and land-planning consultant to the applicants, testified that the dwelling has been sited to minimize the impacts to slopes and the tidal wetlands. The requested mitigation would be accommodated on Lot 6 with any excess on Lot 7. Finally, the existing shed would be removed and the applicants are not planning any accessory structures at the premises.

There was no other testimony in the matter.

Upon review of the facts and circumstances, I find and conclude that the applicants are entitled to conditional relief to the code. For this critical area property, due to the extent of the tidal wetlands buffer, which extends across the entire site, a strict implementation of the program would result in an unwarranted hardship. To literally interpret the program would deny the applicants the right to develop the property with a single-family dwelling, a right commonly enjoyed by other properties in similar areas in the critical area. Conversely, the granting of the variance is not a special privilege that the program typically denies. There is no indication that the request results from the actions of the applicants or from land use of neighboring property. Finally, with mitigation and other conditions, the variance will not adversely impact critical area assets and harmonizes with the general spirit and intent of the program.

I further find that the variance represents the minimum relief. The dwelling is not overly large. It has been located 5 feet beyond the front building restriction line in order to avoid additional woodlands disturbance. There was nothing to suggest that the granting of the variance would alter the essential character of the



neighborhood, substantially impair the appropriate use or development of adjacent property, or cause a detriment to the public welfare. The approval is subject to the conditions in the Order.

ORDER

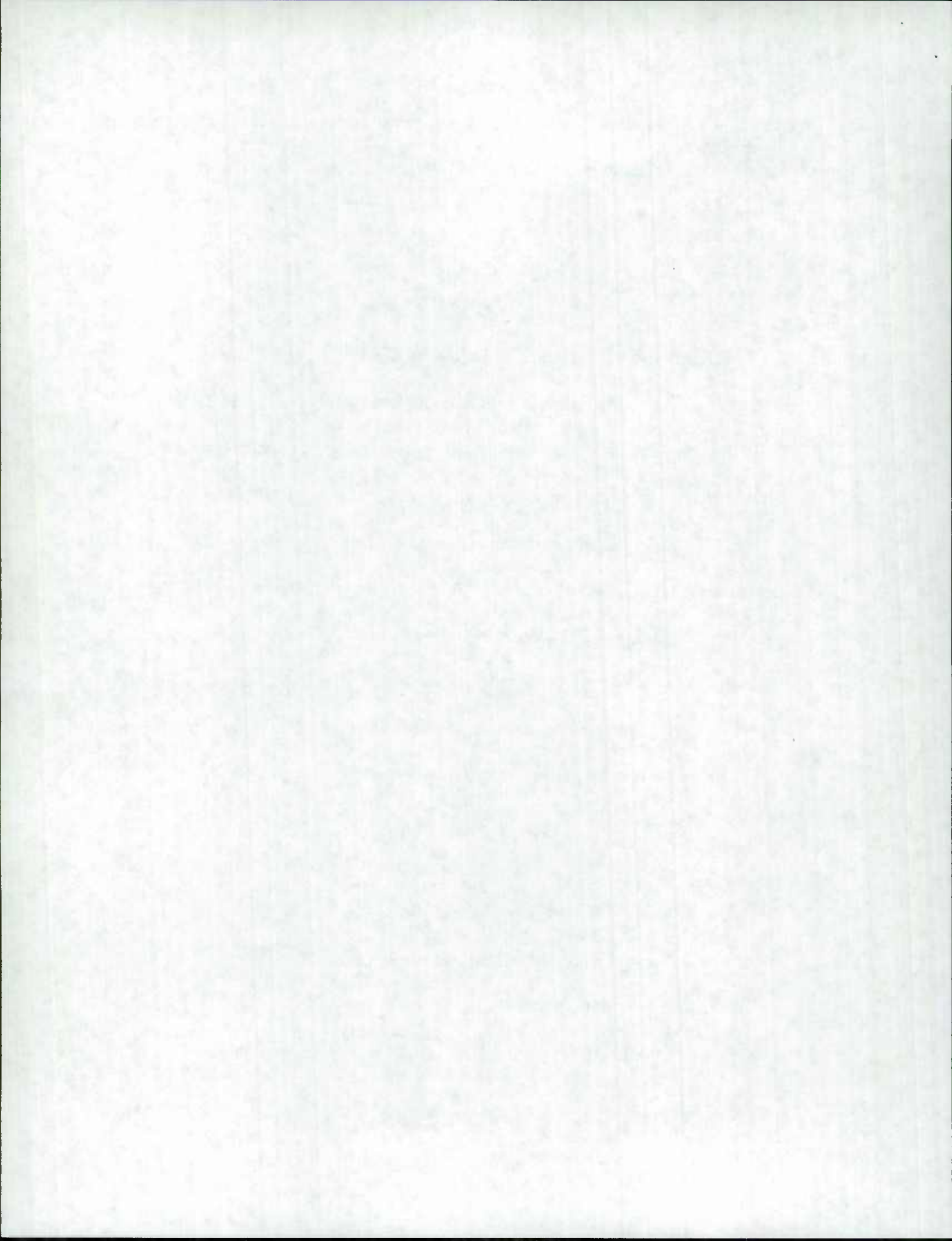
PURSUANT to the application of Rick and Sandra Sargent, Trustees, petitioning for a variance to allow a dwelling with less buffer than required, and

PURSUANT to the notice, posting of the property, and public hearing and in accordance with the provisions of law, it is this 17th day of March, 2008,


ORDERED, by the Administrative Hearing Officer of Anne Arundel County, that the applicants are **granted** a variance to disturb tidal wetlands to permit a dwelling and rear deck addition in accordance with the revised site plan.

The approval is subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The building permit is subject to the approval of the Health Department.*
- 2. The applicants shall provide stormwater management as determined by the Permit Application Center.*
- 3. The applicants shall provide mitigation at a 3:1 ratio with plantings in the buffer prioritized to Lot 6 with any excess on Lot 7.*
- 4. No further expansion of the dwelling is allowed and accessory structures are not allowed.*
- 5. The conditions of the approval run with the land and shall be included*



in any contract of sale.

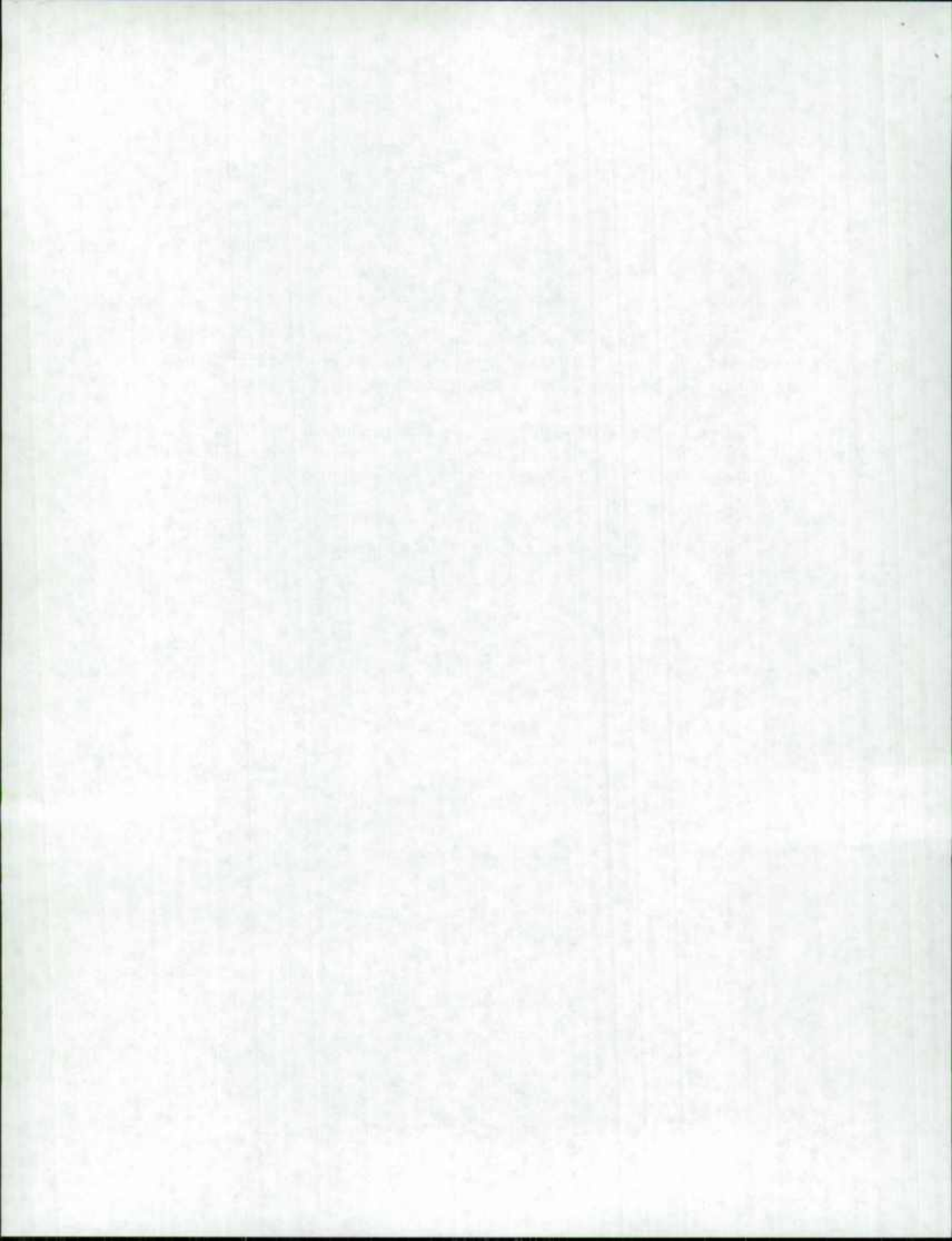

Stephen M. LeGendre
Administrative Hearing Officer

NOTICE TO APPLICANT

Within thirty days from the date of this Decision, any person, firm, corporation, or governmental agency having an interest therein and aggrieved thereby may file a Notice of Appeal with the County Board of Appeals.

Further Section 18-16-405(a) provides that a variance expires by operation of law unless the applicant obtains a building permit within eighteen months. Thereafter, the variance shall not expire so long as construction proceeds in accordance with the permit.

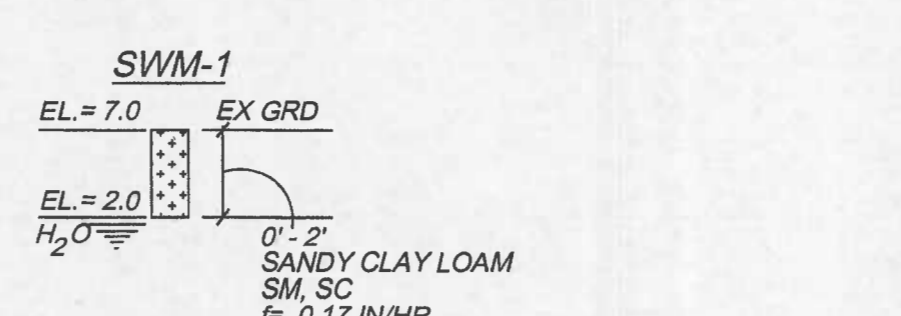
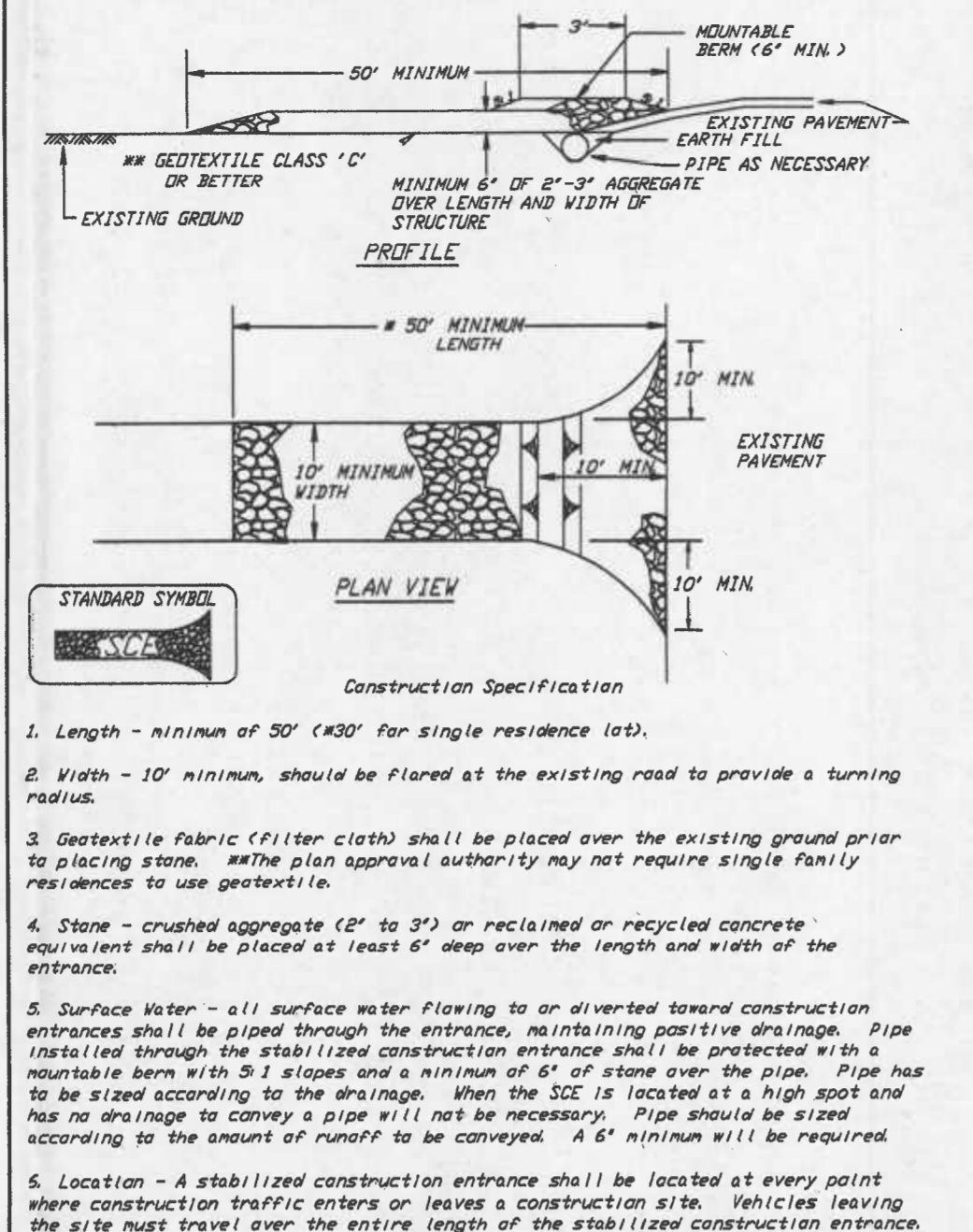
If this case is not appealed, exhibits must be claimed within 60 days of the date of this Order, otherwise they will be discarded.



DETAILS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR VEGETATIVE ESTABLISHMENT

Following initial soil disturbance or redistribution, permanent or temporary stabilization shall be completed within seven calendar days for the surface of all perimeter controls, dikes, swales, ditches, parmeter slopes, and all slopes greater than 3:1 horizontal to 1 vertical (3:1) and fourteen days for all other disturbed or graded areas on the project site...

DETAIL 24 - STABILIZED CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCE



I CERTIFY THAT THE SOIL BORING(S) SHOWN HEREON WERE CONDUCTED UNDER MY SUPERVISION AND GUIDANCE AN ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN MADE THE BORINGS, VISUALLY INSPECTED AND CLASSIFIED THE SOILS ENCOUNTERED AND OBTAINED SAMPLES FOR SUBSEQUENT CLASSIFICATION BY ME. THE INFILTRATION RATE IS BASED ON THE USDA TEXTURAL TRIANGLE.

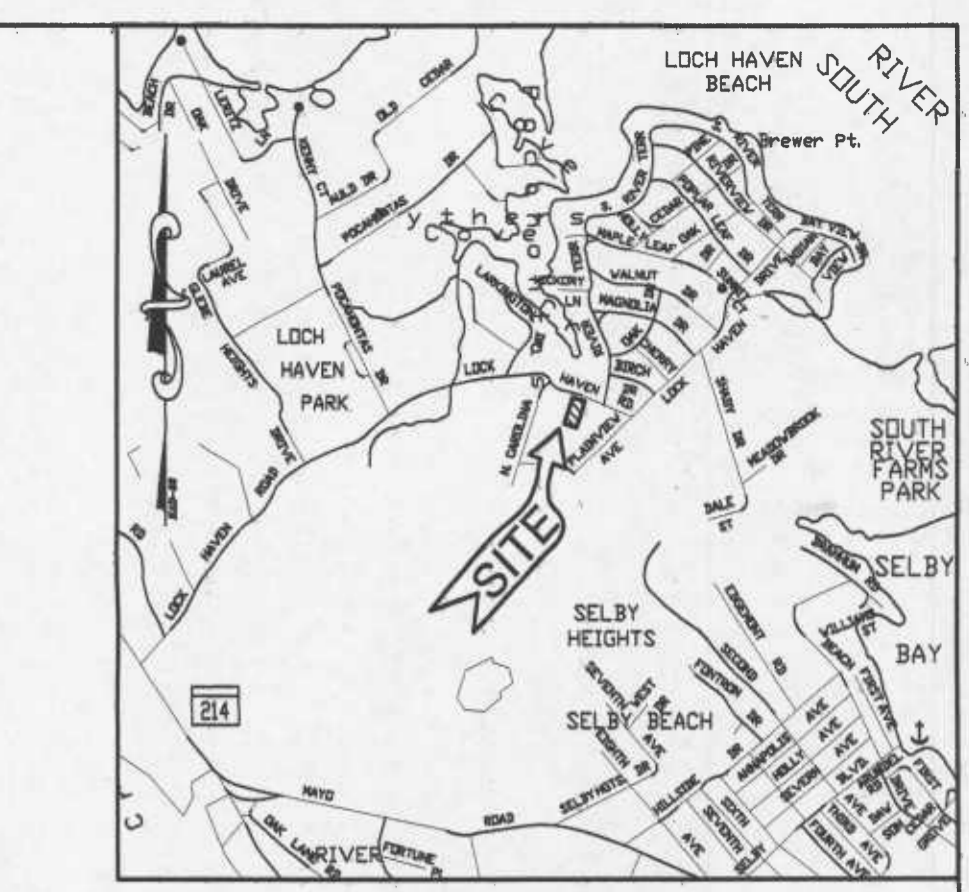


STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SUMMARY TABLE. Columns: MINIMUM SIZING CRITERIA, SYMBOL, VOLUME DRAINAGE AREA, VOLUME REQUIRED (CUBIC FEET), VOLUME PROVIDED (CUBIC FEET), SWM PRACTICE, NOTES. Rows include Water Quality Volume, Recharge Volume, Channel Protection Storage Volume, Overbank Flood Protection, and Extreme Flood.

OUTFALL STATEMENT

A SITE INSPECTION AND PHOTOGRAPHIC WALKING TOUR WAS CONDUCTED ON AUGUST 14, 2007 BY ED BROWN & ASSOCIATES, INC. AND REPORT THE FOLLOWING REGARDING THE OUTFALL AREA.

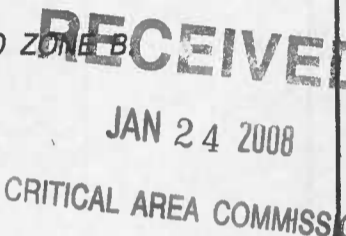
THE SUBJECT LOT HAS AN EXISTING GARAGE AND A PORTION OF A GRAVEL DRIVEWAY LOCATED IN THE SUBDIVISION OF LOCH HAVEN BEACH. RUNOFF FROM THE EXISTING LOT SHEET FLOWS FROM THE EASTERN TO WESTERN BOUNDARIES AND ENTERS AN EXISTING WETLAND AREA TO THE WEST OF THE SUBJECT LOT...



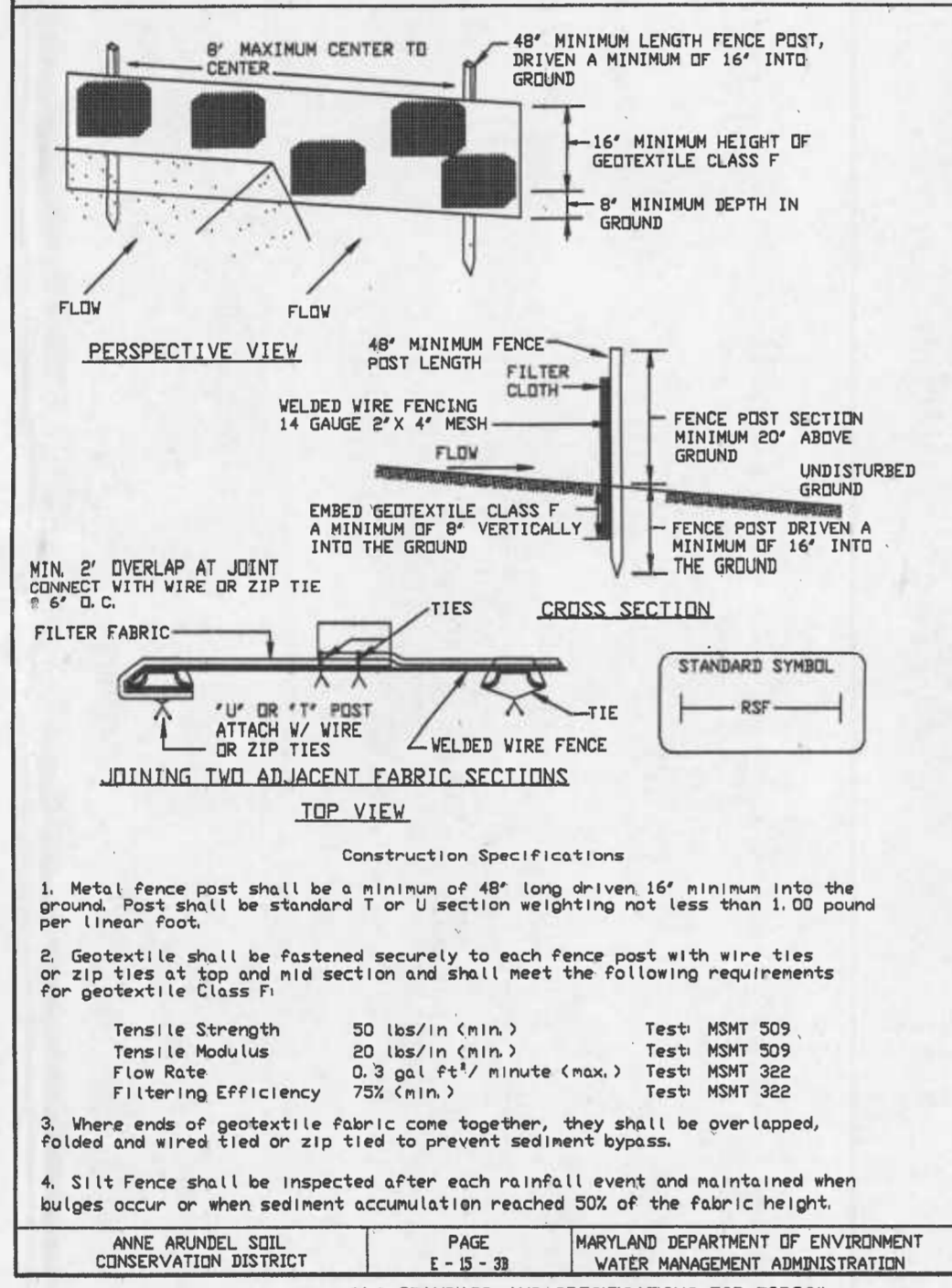
VICINITY MAP SCALE: 1" = 2,000'

GENERAL NOTES

- 1. ZONING: R5-RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT
2. SETBACKS: FRONT: 25' REAR: 20' SIDE: 7 MINIMUM MINIMUM WIDTH AT FRONT BUILDING RESTRICTION LINE IS 80 FT.
3. PREDOMINANT SOIL TYPE: AUB ANNAPOLIS-URBAN LAND COMPLEX, 0-5% SLOPES HYDROLOGIC SOILS GROUP 'C'...



DETAIL 22A - REINFORCED SILT FENCE APPROVED BY MDC 2-7-05



QUANTITIES

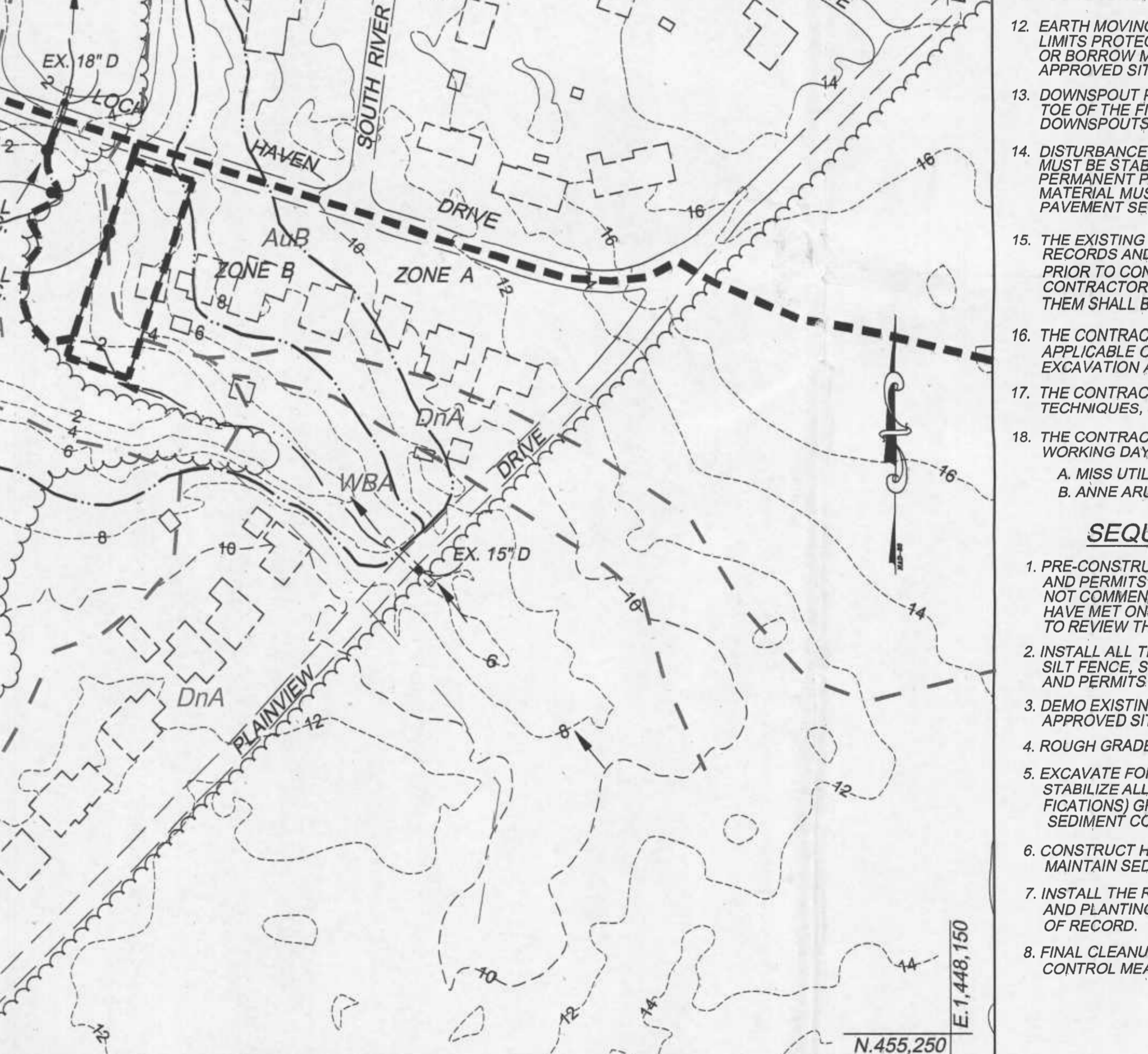
Table listing quantities for construction items: 1. CUT 9 C.Y., 2. FILL 9 C.Y., 3. AREA TO BE VEGETATIVELY STABILIZED: 3,594 S.F. OR 0.083 ACRES, 4. AREA TO BE MECHANICALLY STABILIZED: 2,191 S.F. OR 0.050 ACRES.

LEGEND: EXISTING GRADE - 110-, PROPOSED GRADE - 110, EXISTING ELEVATION - 110.8, PROPOSED ELEVATION - 110.8, REINFORCED SILT FENCE - R/SF, LIMIT OF DISTURBANCE - LOD, STABILIZED CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCE - S.C.E., STOCKPILE - P.D.S., PERIMETER DIKE SWALE - P.D.S. with arrows.

CONSULTANT'S CERTIFICATION

THE DEVELOPER'S PLAN TO CONTROL SILT AND EROSION IS ADEQUATE TO CONTAIN EROSION ON THE PROPERTY COVERED BY THIS PLAN. I CERTIFY THAT THIS PLAN OF EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL REPRESENTS A PRACTICAL AND WORKABLE PLAN BASED ON MY PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE OF THIS SITE...

DRAINAGE AREA MAP SCALE: 1" = 100'



SEQUENCE OF CONSTRUCTION

- 1. PRE-CONSTRUCTION MEETING: NOTIFY THE DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTIONS AND PERMITS AT LEAST 48 HOURS BEFORE COMMENCING WORK. WORK MAY NOT COMMENCE UNTIL THE PERMITTEE OR THE RESPONSIBLE PERSONNEL HAVE MET ON SITE WITH THE SEDIMENT AND EROSION CONTROL INSPECTOR TO REVIEW APPROVED PLANS. 48 HOURS
2. INSTALL ALL TEMPORARY EROSION CONTROL MEASURES SUCH AS REINFORCED SILT FENCE, STABILIZED CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCE CONTACT INSPECTIONS AND PERMITS FOR "PHASE ONE" INSPECTION. 2 DAYS

Signature(s) of Developer/Owner: SANDRA L. SARGENT, Date: P.O. BOX 1957, Edgewater, Maryland 21037

Signature of Professional Engineer: EDWARD A. BROWN, License #110107, State of Maryland

OWNERS

RICK SARGENT and SANDRA L. OF REN SARGENT TRUSTEES OF SARGENT LIVING TRUST P.O. BOX 1957 EDGEWATER, MARYLAND 21037

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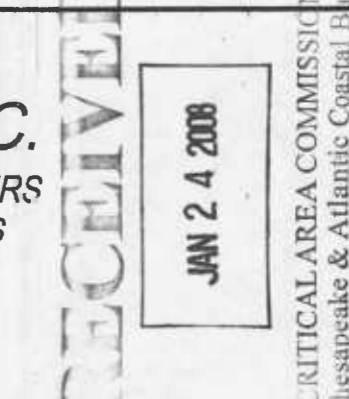
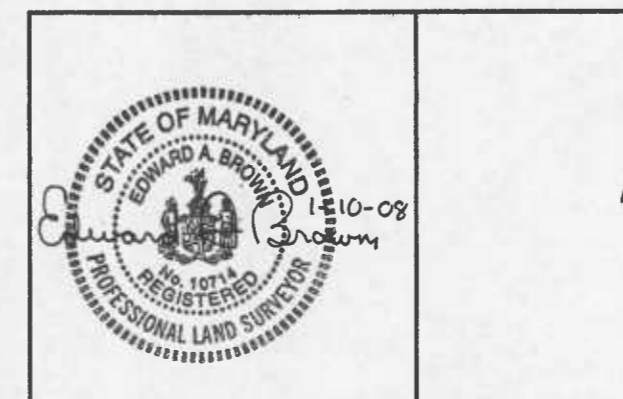
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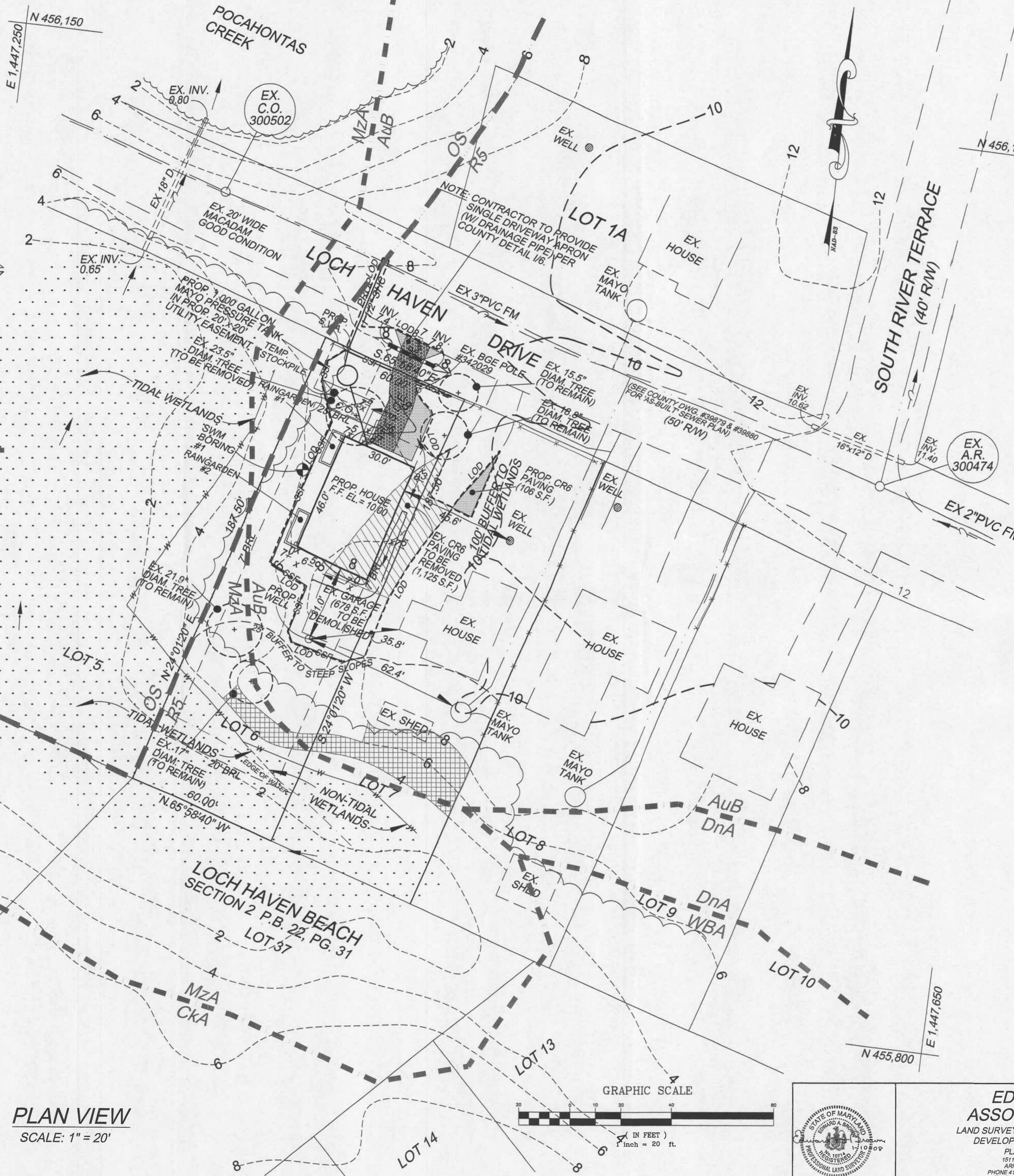
VARIANCE SITE PLAN & GRADING & SEDIMENT CONTROL PLAN

SCALE: AS NOTED DATE: JANUARY 2008 DRAWN BY: JAY CHECKED BY: R.F.M. JOB NO: 07-17334 SHEET NO: 1 OF 3 LOT 6, BLOCK 'U', SECTION 2 LOCH HAVEN LOCH HAVEN DRIVE, EDGEWATER, MD 21037 TAX MAP 60, BLOCK 4, PARCEL 23, ZONING R5 FIRST DISTRICT ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

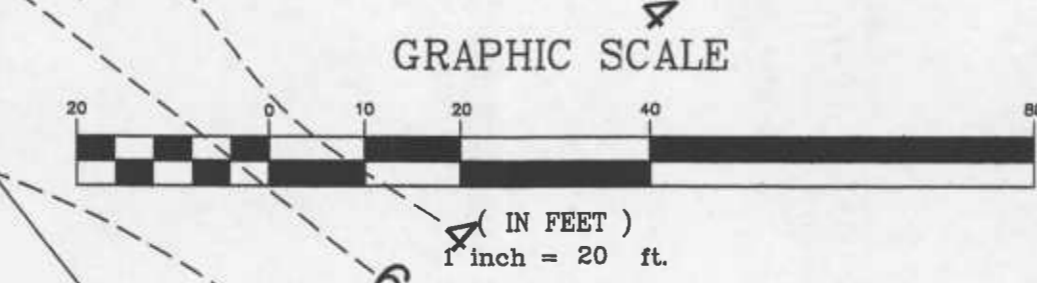


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- EXISTING GRADE 30
- PROPOSED GRADE 30
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- PROPOSED ELEVATION 23.5
- EX. SEWER
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- PROP. RAINGARDEN
- ZONING BOUNDARY



PLAN VIEW
SCALE: 1" = 20'



IMPERVIOUS TABULATION

PRE-DEVELOPMENT-	POST-DEVELOPMENT-
EX. GARAGE 678 SF	HOUSE (30'x40') 1,380 SF
EX. CR6 PAVING 784 SF	STOOP & WALK 45 SF
TOTAL IMPERVIOUS= 1,442 SF	PROP. CR6 PAVING 660 SF
	TOTAL IMPERVIOUS= 2,085 SF

WQv COMPUTATIONS

TOTAL LOT AREA= 11,250 S. FT. OR 0.258 AC.
TOTAL IMPERVIOUS AREA= 2,085 SQ. FT. OR 0.048 AC.
IMPERVIOUS COVER % = 2,085 S. FT. / 11,250 SQ. FT. = 18.5% OR 18.5%

PRECIPITATION (P)= 1.0 INCH

VOLUMETRIC RUNOFF COEFFICIENT (Rv)-
Rv= 0.05 + (0.009) (I)
Rv= 0.05 + (0.009) (18.5)
Rv= 0.217

WATER QUALITY VOLUME (WQv)-
WQv= [(P) (Rv) (A)] / 12
WQv= [(1.0) (0.217) (0.258)] / 12
WQv= 0.0047 AC. FT.
WQv= 203 CU. FT.

Rev COMPUTATIONS

SOIL SPECIFIC RECHARGE FACTOR (S) FOR 'C' HYDROLOGIC SOILS IS 0.14; FOR 'D' HYDROLOGIC SOILS IS 0.08. THE COMPOSITE (S) IS-
'C' SOILS IS 66.8% OF TOTAL (7,515 SF/ 11,250 SF)
'D' SOILS IS 33.2% OF TOTAL (3,735 SF/ 11,250 SF)
THEREFORE: $0.14 \times 0.668 = 0.094$
 $0.08 \times 0.332 = 0.027$
COMPOSITE (S)= 0.121

RECHARGE VOLUME (Rev)-
Rev= [(S) (Rv) (A)] / 12
Rev= [(0.121) (0.217) (0.258)] / 12
Rev= 0.0006 AC. FT.
Rev= 25 CU. FT.

CPv COMPUTATIONS

WE OFFER THE FOLLOWING COMPUTATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPENDIX D-11 OF THE STATE MANUAL-
D.A. TO SITE OUTFALL= 0.258 AC.
COMPOSITE RCN= 82 ('C' & 'D' SOILS, R5 ZONING- 1/4 AC. LOT)
RAINFALL DEPTH FOR 1-YR. STORM= 2.7 INCHES

- THE TIME OF CONCENTRATION (Tc)=
20 L.F. OVERLAND FLOW- SHORT GRASS @ 5.00%
21 L.F. SHALLOW CONCENT. FLOW- PAVED @ 3.30%
27 L.F. SHALLOW CONCENT. FLOW- UNPAVED @ 6.30%
Tc= 0.100 HR.
- THE ONE-YEAR POST-DEVELOPMENT RUNOFF DEPTH IN INCHES (Qa) IS 1.14
- laP= 200/62 - 2 = 0.439
- laP= 0.439/2.7 = 0.163
- qu = 975
- A= 0.258/640 = 0.0004 Sq. Miles
- ONE-YEAR POST-DEVELOPMENT PEAK DISCHARGE (qi)-
qi = qu x A x Qa = 975 x 0.0004 x 1.14
qi = 0.45 CFS (CPv OR QP1)
- SINCE QP1 IS LESS THAN 2.0 CFS, NO CPv IS REQUIRED.

CRITICAL AREA TABULATION (LDA)

- CRITICAL AREA DESIGNATION: LDA (LIMITED DEVELOPMENT AREA) PARCEL IS ENTIRELY WITHIN LDA OF THE CRITICAL AREA (CRITICAL AREA MAP #24).
- THIS ENTIRE DEVELOPMENT IS WITHIN THE 100 FT. TIDAL WETLAND BUFFER.
- TOTAL LOT 6 AREA= 11,250 SQ.FT. OR 0.258 ACRES.
- IMPERVIOUS AREAS TABULATION-
EXISTING LOT 6 IMPERVIOUS AREAS= EX. GARAGE 678 S.F.
EX. CR6 PAVING 784 S.F.
TOTAL EX. IMPERVIOUS= 1,442 S.F.
NOTE: ALL EXISTING IMPERVIOUS AREAS ON LOT 6 ARE TO BE REMOVED.
PROPOSED LOT 6 IMPERVIOUS AREAS= HOUSE 1,380 S.F.
STOOP & WALK 45 S.F.
CR6 PAVING 660 S.F.
TOTAL PROP. IMPERVIOUS= 2,085 S.F.
OR 18.5% OF TOTAL LOT AREA (2,085 S.F./10,250 S.F.)
NOTE: MAXIMUM ALLOWED IMPERVIOUS IN CRITICAL AREA FOR LOTS CREATED BEFORE DECEMBER 1, 1985 FOR LOTS SIZE 8,001 S.F. TO 21,780 S.F. IS 31.25% OF PARCEL PER ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY CODE (ARTICLE 17, SECTION 17-8-402 (b) (1)).

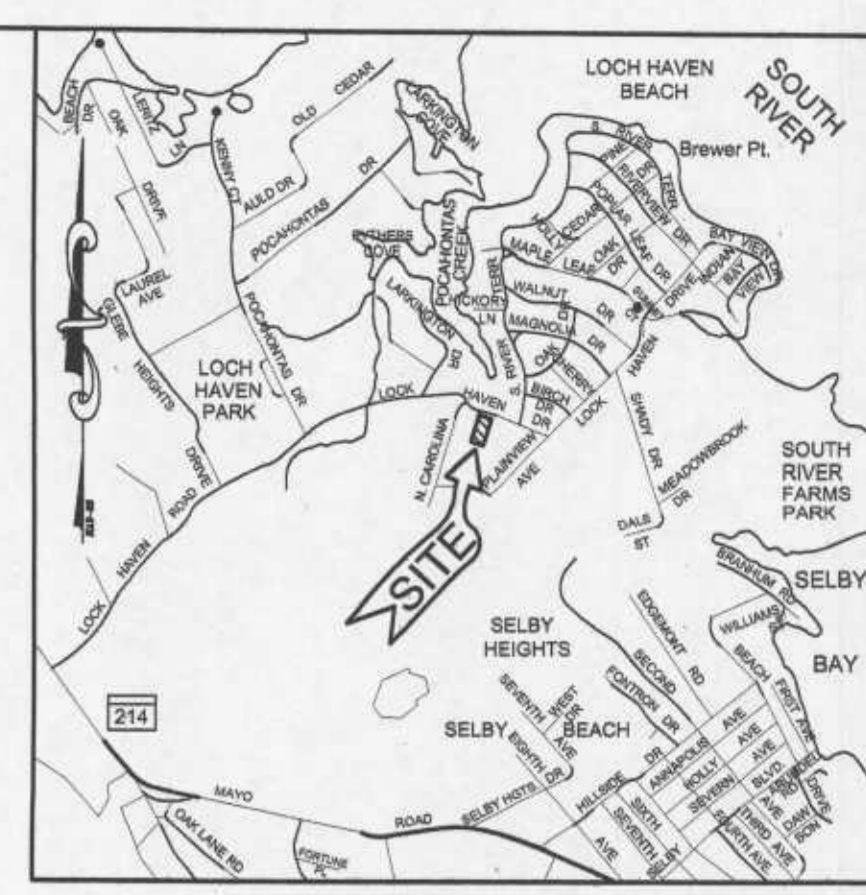
INCREASE IN LOT 6 IMPERVIOUS AREAS= 2,085 S.F. POST-DEVELOPMENT
-1,442 S.F. PRE-DEVELOPMENT
643 S.F. INCREASE IN IMPERVIOUS AREAS

REDUCTION IN LOT 7 IMPERVIOUS AREAS= 361 S.F. CR6 PAVING TO BE REMOVED
-106 S.F. CR6 PAVING TO BE INSTALLED
255 S.F. REDUCTION IN LOT 7 IMPERVIOUS AREAS

NET INCREASE IN IMPERVIOUS AREAS= 643 S.F. INCREASE IN LOT 6 IMPERVIOUS AREAS
-215 S.F. REDUCTION IN LOT 7 IMPERVIOUS AREAS
428 S.F. NET INCREASE IN IMPERVIOUS AREAS

5. WOODLAND AREAS TABULATION-
EXISTING WOODLAND ON LOT 7= 3,926 S.F. OR 34.9% OF TOTAL LOT 7 AREA (3,926 S.F./11,250 S.F.)
PROPOSED WOODLAND CLEARING= 63 S.F. AT MAYO SEWER SYSTEM INSTALLATION
+434 S.F. EX. 23'-4" DIAM. TREE TO BE REMOVED
497 S.F. TOTAL
NOTE: THE OWNER WILL PROVIDE REPLACEMENT PLANTING ONSITE TO OFFSET THE WOODLAND CLEARING.

6. THERE ARE NO HABITAT AREAS, OR STEEP SLOPES AFFECTED BY THIS DEVELOPMENT.



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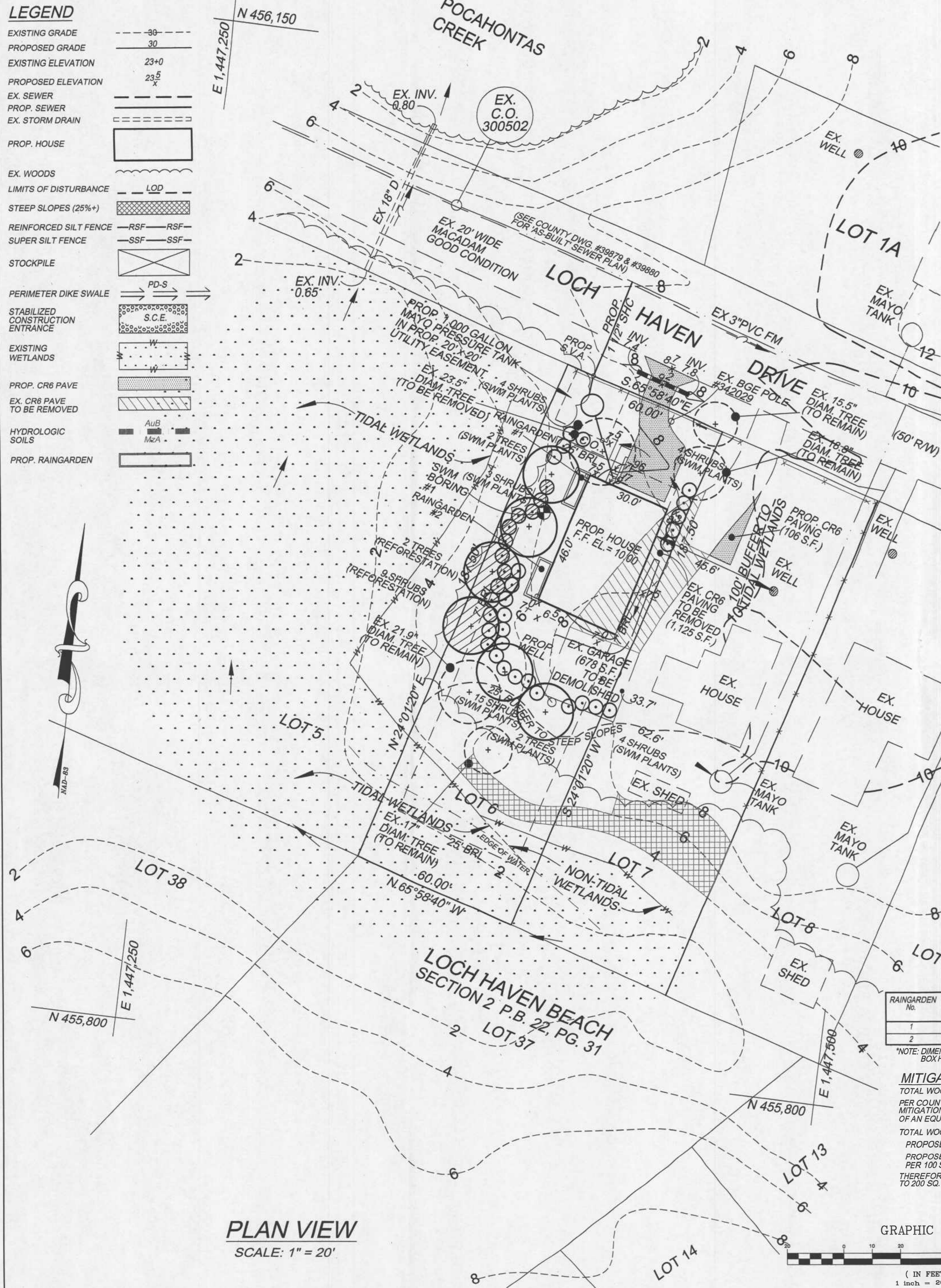
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**LOT 6, BLOCK 'U', SECTION 2
LOCH HAVEN BEACH**

3579 LOCH HAVEN DRIVE, EDGEWATER, MD. 21037
TAX MAP 80, BLOCK 4, PARCEL 23, ZONING R5
FIRST DISTRICT ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

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SPECIFICATIONS FOR RAINGARDENS

THE ALLOWABLE MATERIALS TO BE USED IN RAINGARDENS ARE DETAILED IN TABLE A.

A. PLANTING SOIL

THE CHARACTERISTICS OF PLANTING SOIL FOR RAINGARDENS ARE AS IMPORTANT TO THE LONGEVITY AND SUCCESS OF THE DESIGN AS LOCATION, SIZE, AND TREATMENT VOLUME. THE SOIL MUST BE PERMEABLE ENOUGH TO ALLOW STORMWATER RUNOFF TO FILTER THROUGH THE RAINGARDEN, WHILE STILL BEING CAPABLE OF PROMOTING AND SUSTAINING VIGOROUS VEGETATIVE COVER. ADDITIONALLY, MUCH OF THE NUTRIENT POLLUTANT UPTAKE IS THROUGH THE ABSORPTION AND MICROFILTRATION WITHIN THE SOIL PROFILE. AS A RESULT, PLANTING SOILS MUST BALANCE CHEMICAL AND PHYSICAL PROPERTIES TO SUPPORT BIOTIC COMMUNITIES BOTH ABOVE AND BELOW THE GROUND SURFACE.

PLANTING SOIL SHOULD BE SANDY LOAM, LOAMY SAND, OR A LOAM/SAND MIX AND SHOULD CONTAIN A MINIMUM 35 TO 60% SAND BY VOLUME. THE CLAY CONTENT SHOULD BE LESS THAN 25%. THE SOIL SHOULD BE FREE OF STONES, STUMPS, ROOTS, OR OTHER WOODY MATERIAL OVER 1" IN DIAMETER. BRUSH OR SEEDS FROM NOXIOUS WEEDS (E.G. JOHNSON GRASS, MUGWORT, NUTSEDGE, AND CANADA THISTLE) SHOULD NOT BE PRESENT IN THE SOILS. ONE SIMPLE METHOD FOR PRODUCING SUITABLE PLANTING SOIL IS TO MIX THREE PARTS OF COMMERCIALY AVAILABLE WASHED SAND WITH TWO PARTS TOPSOIL TO PRODUCE A HOMOGENEOUS SOIL. PLANTING SOIL SHOULD BE PLACED IN 12" TO 18" LAYERS THAT ARE LOOSELY COMPACTED (E.G. TAMPED LIGHTLY WITH A BACKHOE BUCKET) TO A DEPTH OF 2 1/2 TO 4 FEET.

B. MULCH

ANOTHER IMPORTANT FEATURE OF THE RAINGARDEN IS THE SURFACE MULCH LAYER. MULCH HELPS MAINTAIN SOIL MOISTURE AND TRAPS FINER SEDIMENTS THAT MAY LEAD TO PREMATURE FAILURE. MULCH ALSO PREVENTS EROSION AND SERVES AS AN IMPORTANT MICROENVIRONMENT FOR SOIL BIOTA.

RAINGARDEN MULCH USED SHOULD BE THE STANDARD LANDSCAPE STYLE, SINGLE OR DOUBLE SHREDDED HARDWOOD MULCH. THE MULCH SHOULD BE WELL AGED (STOCKPILED OR STORED FOR AT LEAST TWELVE MONTHS), UNIFORM IN COLOR, AND FREE OF OTHER MATERIALS SUCH AS WEEDS OR ROOTS. GRASS CLIPPINGS ARE UNACCEPTABLE AS A MULCH MATERIAL. MULCH SHOULD BE APPLIED TO A MAXIMUM DEPTH OF THREE INCHES. RAINGARDENS SHOULD BE RE-MULCHED ON AN ANNUAL BASIS.

C. UNDERDRAINS

RAINGARDENS REQUIRE POSITIVE DRAINAGE CONDITIONS AND PERMEABLE SOILS FOR LONG TERM, TROUBLE-FREE PERFORMANCE. INSTALLING A PERFORATED PIPE UNDERDRAIN SYSTEM PROVIDES CONSISTENT DRAINAGE FOR THE RAINGARDEN, WHILE OPTIONAL IN POROUS WELL-DRAINED SOILS. UNDERDRAINS ARE REQUIRED IN SILT OR CLAY SOILS (HYDROLOGIC SOILS GROUPS C AND D) OR IN AREAS WHERE GROUNDWATER IS LESS THAN TWO FEET BELOW THE BOTTOM OF THE RAINGARDEN.

UNDERDRAINS SHOULD BE INSTALLED BELOW THE PLANTING SOIL BED (BETWEEN 2 1/2 TO 4 FEET BELOW SURFACE). THE UNDERDRAIN MAY BE INSTALLED AS SHALLOW AS 18" BELOW THE SURFACE IF NECESSARY TO PROVIDE AN OUTLET. IN THIS EXTREME CASE, THE UNDERDRAIN SHOULD BE INSTALLED WITHIN THE PLANTING SOIL BED.

UNDERDRAINS SHALL CONSIST OF A 1 1/2" TO 4" DIAMETER RIGID SCHEDULE 40 (OR SDR 35) PVC PIPE (SLOTTED HOPE IS ALSO ACCEPTABLE) THAT IS PERFORATED WITHIN THE RAINGARDEN. PERFORATIONS SHALL BE 3/8" DIAMETER MINIMUM AT 6" ON CENTER WITH A MINIMUM OF 4 HOLES PER ROW. UNDERDRAINS SHALL BE PLACED ON A 3" WIDE SECTION OF FILTER CLOTH (CLASS "C" GEOTEXTILE, SEE TABLE R-1). THE PIPE IS PLACED NEXT, FOLLOWED BY THE GRAVEL BEDDING. THE MAIN COLLECTOR PIPE FOR UNDERDRAIN SYSTEMS SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED AT A MINIMUM SLOPE OF 0.5% AT LEAST ONE OBSERVATION WELL/CLEANOUT MUST BE PROVIDED PER RAINGARDEN.

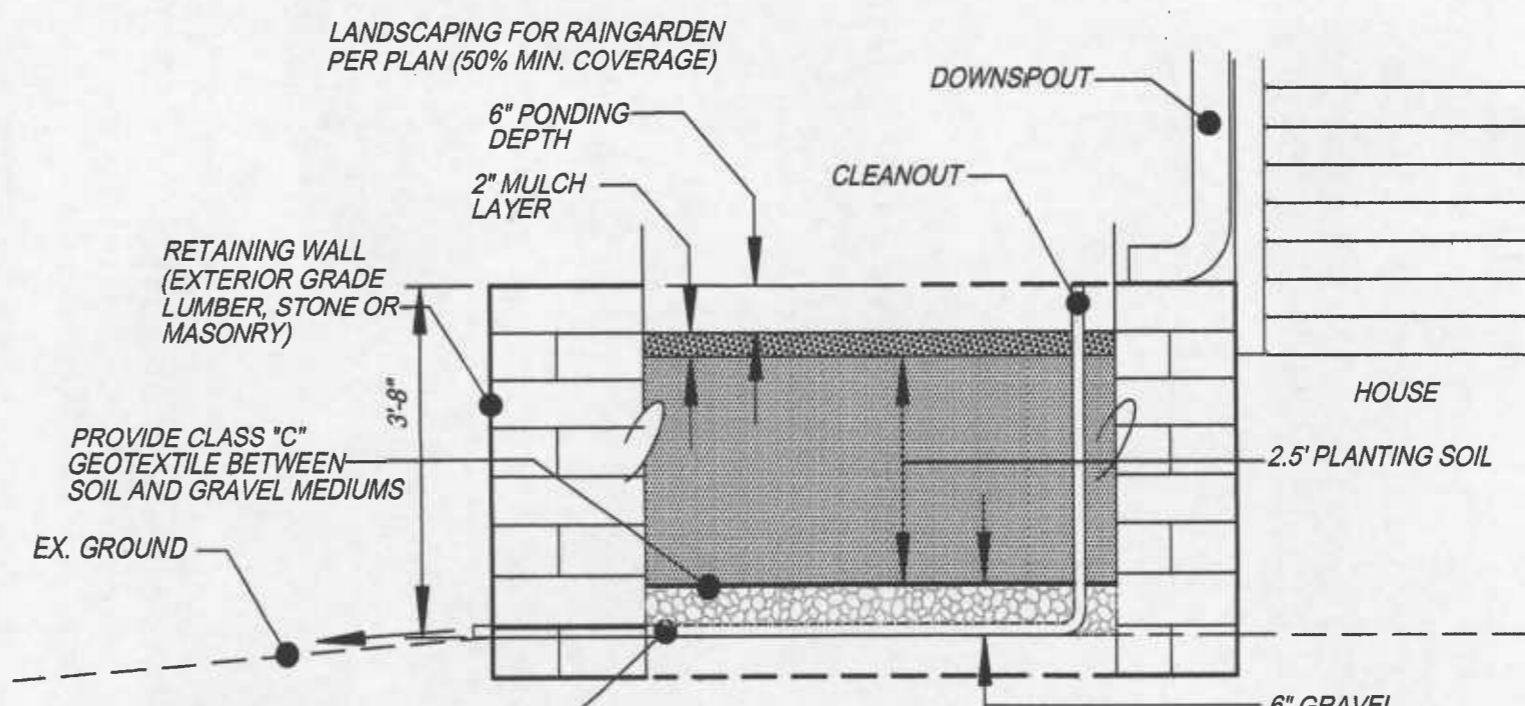
A RODENT GUARD SHOULD BE INSTALLED AT THE DOWNSTREAM END OF UNDERDRAINS TO PREVENT MICE AND LARGE RODENTS FROM ENTRY. A TYPICAL RODENT GUARD CONSISTS OF A 3/8" HEX-HEAD BOLT THROUGH THE PIPE HORIZONTALLY. NUTS ARE PLACED ON BOTH THE INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF THE PIPE. THIS DISCOURAGES RODENTS AND PREVENTS CRUSHING OF THE PIPE.

MISCELLANEOUS

RAINGARDENS SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUCTED UNTIL ALL CONTRIBUTING DRAINAGE AREA HAS BEEN STABILIZED.

TABLE A. - MATERIALS SPECIFICATIONS FOR RAINGARDENS

MATERIAL	SPECIFICATION	SIZE	NOTES
PLANTINGS	SEE TABLE R.5	N/A	PLANTINGS ARE SITE SPECIFIC
PLANTING SOIL (2 1/2' TO 4' DEEP)	SAND: 30% TO 60% SILT: 30% TO 55% CLAY: 0% TO 25%	N/A	USDA SOIL TYPES LOAMY SAND, SANDY LOAM OR LOAM
MULCH	SHREDDED HARDWOOD	N/A	AGED SIX MONTHS MINIMUM
GEOTEXTILE	CLASS "C" - APPARENT OPENING (ASTM-D4751), GRAB TENSILE STRENGTH (ASTM-D-4832), PUNCTURE RESISTANCE (ASTM-D-4833)	N/A	USE AS NECESSARY BENEATH UNDERDRAINS ONLY
UNDERDRAIN			
GRAVEL	AASHTO M-43 #57 OR #67	3/8" TO 3/4"	
PIPING	F 758 TYPE PS 28 OR AASHTO M-278	4" TO 6" RIGID SCHEDULE 40 PVC, SDR35 OR HDPE	3/8" PERFORATIONS @ 6" ON CENTER, 4 HOLES PER ROW; MINIMUM OF 3" GRAVEL OVER PIPES; GRAVEL NOT NECESSARY BENEATH PIPES



RAINGARDEN SECTION VIEW
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STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLANTINGS:

SINCE THE SOIL BORING INDICATES SILTY CLAY LOAM SOILS AND A WATER TABLE AT A DEPTH OF 2.0 FEET, NATIVE SPECIES VEGETATION, 1 1/2" CALIPER TREES AND AND 3-4 GALLON SHRUBS, WILL BE INSTALLED TO OFFSET THE ON-SITE IMPERVIOUS AREAS.

MINIMUM REQUIRED PLANTINGS MUST EQUAL OR EXCEED THE PROPOSED IMPERVIOUS AREAS. AT ONE (1) TREE EQUALS 100 SQ. FT. OF IMPERVIOUS AREA AND THREE (3) SHRUBS EQUALS 100 SQ. FT. OF IMPERVIOUS AREA. THE FOLLOWING PLANTINGS ARE PROPOSED:

PROPOSED IMPERVIOUS AREAS= 2,085 SQ. FT. - 690 SQ. FT. (RAINGARDENS FOR HALF OF ROOF)= 1,395 SQ. FT.

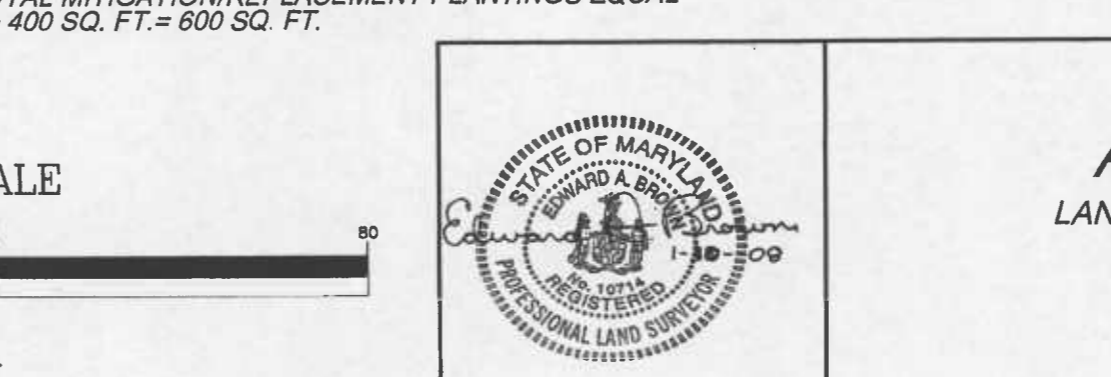
PROPOSED FOUR (4) TREES= 4 x 100 SQ. FT. = 400 SQ. FT.

PROPOSED THIRTY (30) SHRUBS= 30 SHRUBS/3 SHRUBS PER 100 SQ. FT. = 10 x 100 SQ. FT. = 1,000 SQ. FT.

EQUIVALENT SQ. FT. WQ TREATMENT= 400 SQ. FT. (TREES) + 1,000 SQ. FT. (SHRUBS) = 1,400 SQ. FT.

EQUIVALENT SQ. FT. WQ TREATMENT OF 1,400 SQ. FT. EXCEEDS PROPOSED IMPERVIOUS AREAS OF 1,395 SQ. FT.

THEREFORE, THE TOTAL SWM PLANTINGS EQUAL TO 1,400 SQ. FT. WILL BE BONDED AT \$1.20 PER SQ. FT. AND SHALL BE PLANTED ONSITE.



D. PLANT INSTALLATION

MULCH SHOULD BE PLACED TO A UNIFORM THICKNESS OF 2 TO 3 INCHES. ROOT STOCK OF THE PLANT MATERIAL SHALL BE KEPT MOIST DURING TRANSPORT AND ON-SITE STORAGE. THE PLANT ROOT BALL SHOULD BE PLANTED SO THAT 1/8TH OF THE BALL IS ABOVE FINAL GRADESURFACE. THE DIAMETER OF THE PLANTING PIT SHOULD BE AT LEAST SIX INCHES LARGER THAN THE DIAMETER OF THE PLANTING BALL. SET AND MAINTAIN THE PLANT STRAIGHT (UPRIGHT) DURING THE PLANTING PROCESS. THOROUGHLY WATER GROUND BED COVER AFTER INSTALLATION.

TREES SHALL BE BRACED USING 2" BY 2" STALKES ONLY AS NECESSARY AND FOR THE FIRST GROWING SEASON ONLY. STAKES ARE TO BE EQUALLY SPACED ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE TREE BALL.

GRASSES AND LEGUME SEED SHOULD BE DRILLED INTO THE SOIL TO A DEPTH OF AT LEAST ONE INCH. GRASS AND LEGUME PLUGS SHALL BE PLANTED FOLLOWING THE NON-GRASS GROUND COVER SPECIFICATIONS.

THE TOPSOIL SPECIFICATIONS PROVIDED ENOUGH ORGANIC MATERIAL TO ADEQUATELY SUPPLY NUTRIENTS FROM NATURAL CYCLING. THE PRIMARY FUNCTION OF THE RAINGARDEN IS TO IMPROVE WATER QUALITY. ADDING FERTILIZERS DEFATS, OR AT A MINIMUM, IMPEDS THIS GOAL. ONLY ADD FERTILIZER IF WOOD CHIPS OR MULCH IS USED TO AMEND THE SOIL.

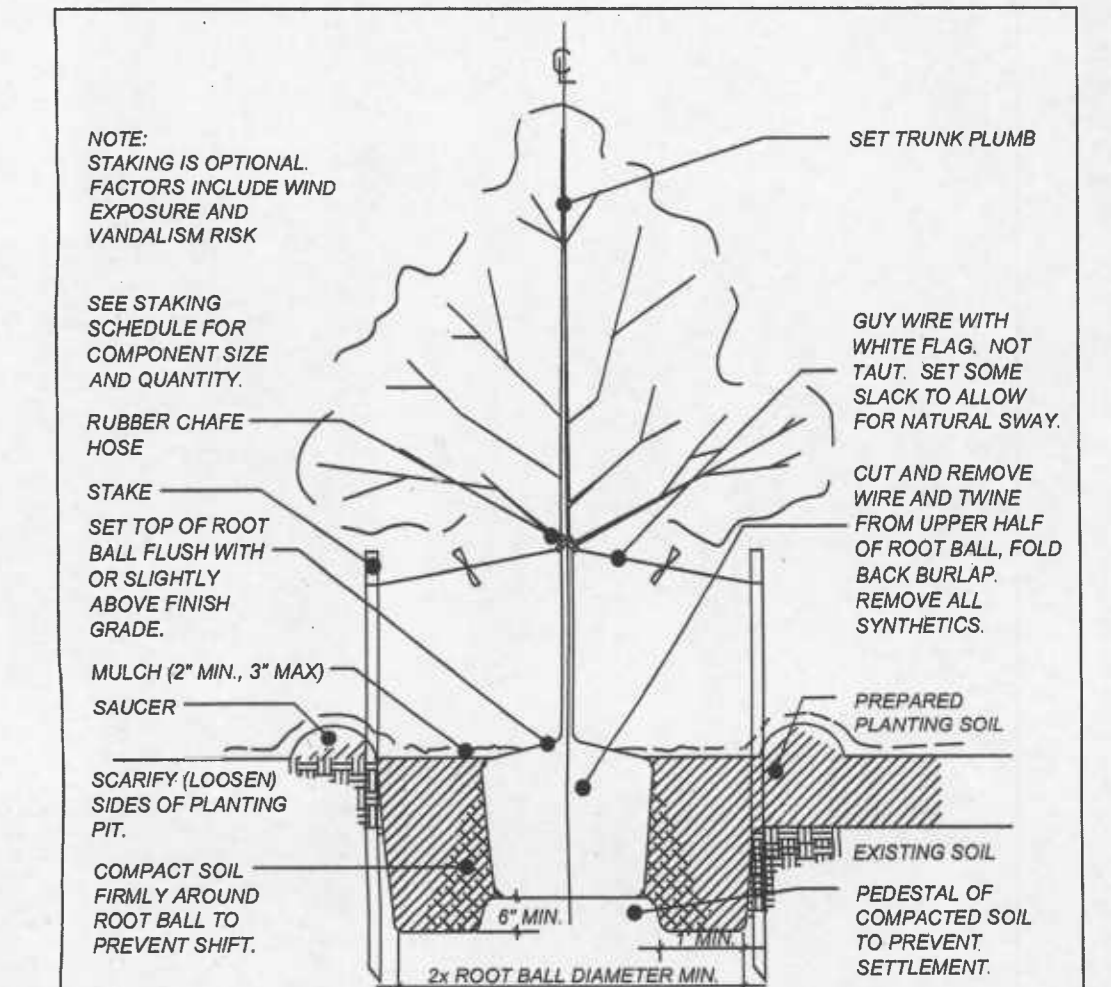
E. PLANTING GUIDANCE

PLANT MATERIAL SELECTION SHOULD BE BASED ON THE GOAL OF SIMULATING A TERRESTRIAL COMMUNITY OF NATIVE SPECIES THAT MAY BE TAILORED TO VARIOUS GARDENING THEMES. RAINGARDENS SIMULATE UPLAND SPECIES ECOSYSTEMS THAT ARE DOMINATED BY SHRUBS AND HERBACEOUS MATERIALS BUT MAY ALSO CONTAIN TREES. BY CREATING A DIVERSE, DENSE PLANT COVER, THE RAINGARDEN WILL BE ABLE TO TREAT STORMWATER RUNOFF AND WITHSTAND URBAN STRESSORS FROM INSECTS, DISEASE, DROUGHT, TEMPERATURE, WIND AND EXPOSURE.

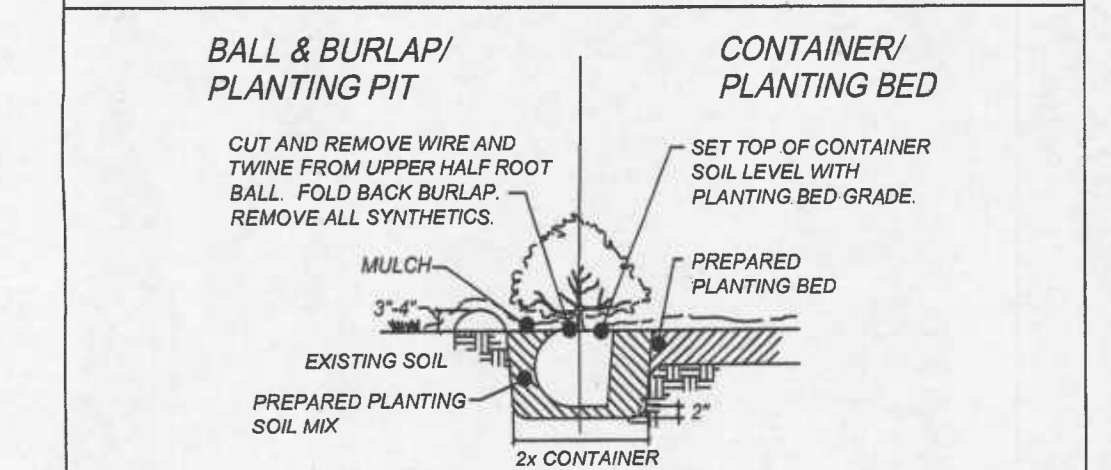
THE PROPER SELECTION AND INSTALLATION OF PLANT MATERIALS IS KEY TO A SUCCESSFUL SYSTEM. THERE ARE ESSENTIALLY THREE ZONES WITHIN A RAINGARDEN. THE LOWEST ELEVATION SUPPORTS PLANT SPECIES THAT ARE ADAPTED TO STANDING AND FLUCTUATING WATER LEVELS. THE MIDDLE ELEVATION SUPPORTS PLANTS THAT LIKE DRIER SOIL CONDITIONS BUT MAY TOLERATE OCCASIONAL INUNDATION BY WATER. THE OUTER EDGE IS THE HIGHEST ELEVATION AND GENERALLY SUPPORTS PLANTS ADAPTED TO DRIER CONDITIONS. A LISTING OF APPROPRIATE PLANT MATERIALS IS INCLUDED IN APPENDIX A OF THE 2000 MARYLAND STORMWATER DESIGN MANUAL, VOL. 1 & II (SEE WWW.MDE.STATE.MD.US). THE LAYOUT OF PLANT MATERIAL SHOULD BE FLEXIBLE, BUT SHOULD ALSO FOLLOW THE GENERAL PRINCIPLES OUTLINED IN TABLE B. THE OBJECTIVE IS TO HAVE A SYSTEM THAT RESEMBLES A RANDOM AND NATURAL PLANT LAYOUT, WHILE MAINTAINING OPTIMAL CONDITIONS FOR PLANT ESTABLISHMENT AND GROWTH.

TABLE B - PLANTING DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

- > NATIVE PLANT SPECIES SHOULD BE SPECIFIED OVER EXOTIC OR FOREIGN SPECIES.
 - > APPROPRIATE VEGETATION SHOULD BE SELECTED BASED ON THE ZONE OF TOLERANCE.
 - > SPECIES LAYOUT SHOULD GENERALLY BE RANDOM AND NATURAL.
 - > A CANOPY MAY BE ESTABLISHED WITH AN UNDERSTORY OF SHRUBS AND HERBACEOUS MATERIAL.
 - > WOODY VEGETATION (SHRUBS AND TREES) SHOULD NOT BE IN THE VICINITY OF INFLOW LOCATIONS.
 - > TREES AND SHRUBS SHOULD BE PLANTED PRIMARILY ALONG THE PERIMETER OF THE RAINGARDEN.
 - > STRESSORS (E.G. WIND, SUN, EXPOSURE, INSECTS AND DISEASE INFESTATION, AND DROUGHT) SHOULD BE CONSIDERED WHEN DEVELOPING THE PLANTING PLAN.
 - > NOXIOUS WEEDS SHALL NOT BE SPECIFIED OR USED.
 - > AESTHETICS AND VISUAL CHARACTERISTICS SHOULD BE A PRIME CONSIDERATION.
 - > SAFETY ISSUES MUST BE CONSIDERED.
 - > EXISTING AND PROPOSED UTILITIES (E.G. WATER, SEWER, OR ELECTRIC) MUST BE IDENTIFIED AND CONSIDERED.
- THE PLANT MATERIALS SHOULD CONFORM TO THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF NURSERYMENS PUBLICATION, THE AMERICAN STANDARD NURSERY STOCK.



DETAIL - DECIDUOUS TREE PLANTING - TO 2 1/2" CALIPER
PLANTING PIT - SINGLE PLANTING PIT - PLANTING BED
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DETAIL - SHRUB PLANTING
NOT TO SCALE

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLANTING CHART

LEGEND	NO.	SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME	TYPE
+	4	SASSAPARILLA ALBIDUM QUERCUS FALCATA LIRIODENDRON TULIPIFERA CORNUS FLORIDA CERCIS CANADENSIS	SASSAPARILLA SOUTHERN RED OAK YELLOW POPLAR DOGWOOD EASTERN REDBUD	1-1 1/2" CAL TREE B & B
○	18	MYRTICA PENNSYLVANICA ILEX GLABRA RHODODENDRON NUDIFLORUM ILEX LAEVIGATA	BAYBERRY PINK AZALEA WAX MYRTLE WINTERBERRY	3 GALLON SHRUB

MITIGATION PLANTING CHART

LEGEND	NO.	SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME	TYPE
+	2	SASSAPARILLA ALBIDUM QUERCUS FALCATA LIRIODENDRON TULIPIFERA CORNUS FLORIDA CERCIS CANADENSIS	SASSAPARILLA SOUTHERN RED OAK YELLOW POPLAR DOGWOOD EASTERN REDBUD	1-1 1/2" CAL TREE B & B
○	12	MYRTICA PENNSYLVANICA ILEX GLABRA RHODODENDRON NUDIFLORUM MYRTICA CERIFERA ILEX LAEVIGATA	BAYBERRY PINK AZALEA WAX MYRTLE WINTERBERRY	3 GALLON SHRUB

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