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February 6, 2014

Ms. Olivia Vidotto Calvert County Department of Community Planning and Building 150 Main Street Prince Frederick, Maryland 20678

Re: MSD – 08-11-29 Starkey Farm (Tax Map 29, Parcel 104)

Dear Ms. Vidotto:

Thank you for providing information on the above referenced minor subdivision. The applicant has submitted a final plat for approval. The applicant proposes to create two lots and one residue parcel on a 50.5 acre property as part of an intra-family transfer. One lot (Lot 2) and a portion of the residue parcel are located within the Resource Conservation Area (RCA). Lot 2 is currently developed with one residence.

Based on the information provided, it appears that the applicant has met all of the previous comments from the Critical Area Commission staff. Therefore, we have no additional comments at this time. We note that any future development on this property is still subject to the County's Critical Area requirements.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me directly at 410-260-3468.

Sincerely,

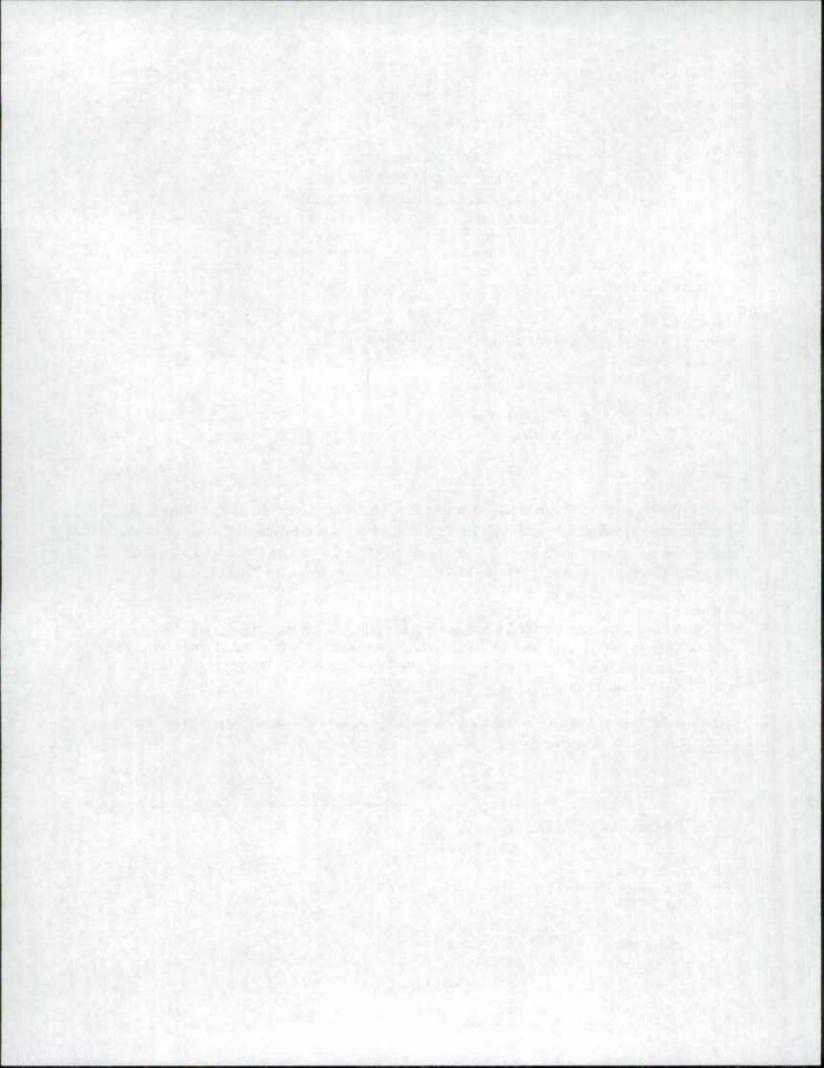
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July 15, 2008

Ms. Olivia Vidotto

Calvert County Department of Planning and Zoning

150 Main Street

Prince Frederick, Maryland 20678

Re: MSD-08-11-29 Starkey Farm (Tax Map 29, Parcel 104)

Dear Ms. Vidotto:

Thank you for providing information on the above referenced revised minor subdivision. Within the Critical Area, the applicant is proposing to create 2 new building lots, and one residue parcel on a 50.5 acre property. Lot 3 is proposed as an intra-family transfer lot. The property is located within a Resource Conservation Area (RCA) and is currently developed with one residence.

Based on the information provided, we have the following comments regarding the preliminary plan proposal.

- 1) Formerly a new subdivision within the Critical Area, RCA must comply with the impervious surface area limits within the State Law and Calvert County Ordinance 8-1.04G.1.f. As you are aware the Legislature has replaced impervious surfaces with lot coverage limits. During an interim period a combination of impervious surfaces from your current regulations can apply as long as lot coverage accounting is provided. The following explanation summarizes the interim period requirements. Section 8, Ch. 119, 2008 Laws of Maryland at 765, contains provisions in regard to the lot coverage requirements of Natural Resources Article §8-1808.3 which may be applicable to this subdivision. Under these provisions, a development project whose initial application for development that satisfies all local requirements is filed by October 1, 2008 and whose development plan is approved (recorded) by July 1, 2010 may utilize Calvert County's approved impervious surface area limitations in effect prior to July 1, 2008 provided that;
 - a) The approved development plan remains valid in accordance with Calvert County's procedures and requirements; and
 - b) By July 1, 2010, the applicant prepares a detailed lot coverage plan drawn to scale and showing the amounts of impervious surface area, partially pervious area, and developed pervious surface area in the development project.

In addition to (a) and (b) above, Section 8, Ch. 119, 2008 Laws of Maryland at 765 requires the lot coverage plan to be approved by Calvert County and implemented in accordance with the approved lot coverage plan. Should the applicant intend to develop this subdivision in accordance with the County's impervious surface area limitations, please indicate that intent and ensure that the applicant is aware of the requirements of Chapter 119 of the 2008 Laws of Maryland for proceeding as such.

- 2) Section 8-1.04G.1. requires identification and location of environmental and natural features. In addition, Section 7-1.07B.j. of the County's subdivision regulations, states that the Planning Commission may require an environmental impact statement for subdivisions over 50 ac. Please clarify whether this is required. Also, the applicant is required to obtain an evaluation of the property by the Department of Natural Resources' Wildlife and Heritage Service (WHS) for the presence of rare, threatened, or endangered species. If present, the applicant will be required to address recommendations for protection of the species within the context of a habitat protection plan. We would appreciate a copy of the WHS letter once received.
- 3) In reference to wetlands and density calculations, it is unclear if the pond area is being counted in the 50.5 acres. The wetland needs to be deducted from the gross acreage. Also identification of non tidal wetlands in the Critical Area should be included.
- 4) We note that proposed lot #3 does not contain water frontage and may therefore be restricted from riparian access. Should the Buffer to the west of lot 3 convert from agriculture to any other use, afforestation is required as per the County's Ordinance 8-1.08D.3.d.vi. A Buffer Management Plan should be provided at that time, and the plat should be revised to include a note referencing this requirement..
- 5) We recommend that the proposed boundaries for Lot 4 be expanded to create a larger lot so that any future development which proposes to raze and rebuild the existing structure could be adequately accommodated outside of the Buffer.
- 6) It appears that the applicant has identified only Lot 3 in the Critical Area as an intrafamily transfer lot. As required by the County's Code 8-1.05.H.3, "An intrafamily transfer lot may only be created for an immediate family member and that family member shall be identified on the subdivision preliminary and final plats." Please have the applicant provide this information for the proposed intrafamily transfer lot on the plat and plans. Based on the intrafamily transfers provisions in the State Law and County Code, the property is restricted in future development potential to one additional intrafamily lot. For clarity and tracking purposes, please provide a Development Rights Summary table on the plat describing the assignment of development rights on the parcel.
- 7) On lot 4 there is a rectangle that could be perceived as another proposed building setback area but is most likely a sewerage reserve area. That area should be identified.
- 8) The 16' intrafamily right of way shown on the plat must be removed from the 100-foot Buffer.
- 9) We note that the plat shows an existing gravel driveway which appears to cross a notidal wetland and expanded 100-foot Buffer. If this road is proposed to be upgraded and enlarged, it appears that a variance would be necessary. Please clarify the intent for future development of this roadway.

- 10) Please be advised that Chapter 119, 2008 Laws of Maryland (formerly House Bill 1253) requires a 200 ft. Buffer from tidal waters and wetlands for subdivisions in the RCA. There is an interim relief period for this regulation that this subdivision may qualify for and I provide the following explanation. If an application for subdivision is submitted before July 1, 2008 and legally recorded by July 1, 2010 then the 200 ft. Buffer does not apply. It is important that the review time line for this subdivision is monitored and recordation be completed by July 1, 2010.
- 11) Prior to preliminary subdivision approval, the applicant should provide a revised plat which includes an inset showing the proposed development inside of the Critical Area at a scale no larger than 1 inch equals 100-feet. At the current scale, it is not possible to assess whether the Buffer has been properly expanded for steep slopes or highly erodible soils.
- 12) It appears that several structures exist within the limits of the Critical Area that have not been labeled or identified. Please label them in future submittals and indicate whether additional dwelling units currently exist on the property.

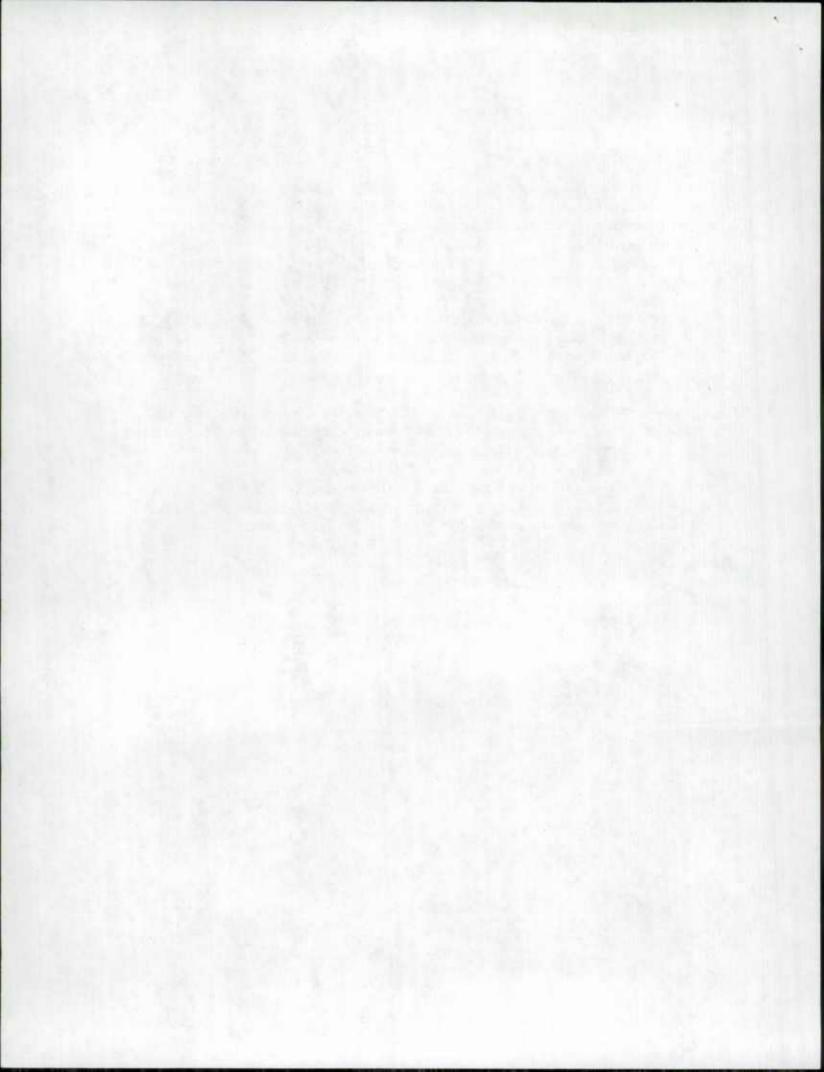
Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments for this subdivision request. Please have the applicant provide a revised site plan along with a description of how each of the above concerns has been addressed. Please contact me at (410) 260-3468 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Roby Hurley

Natural Resource Planner

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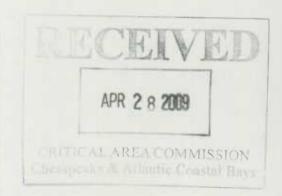
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April 27, 2009

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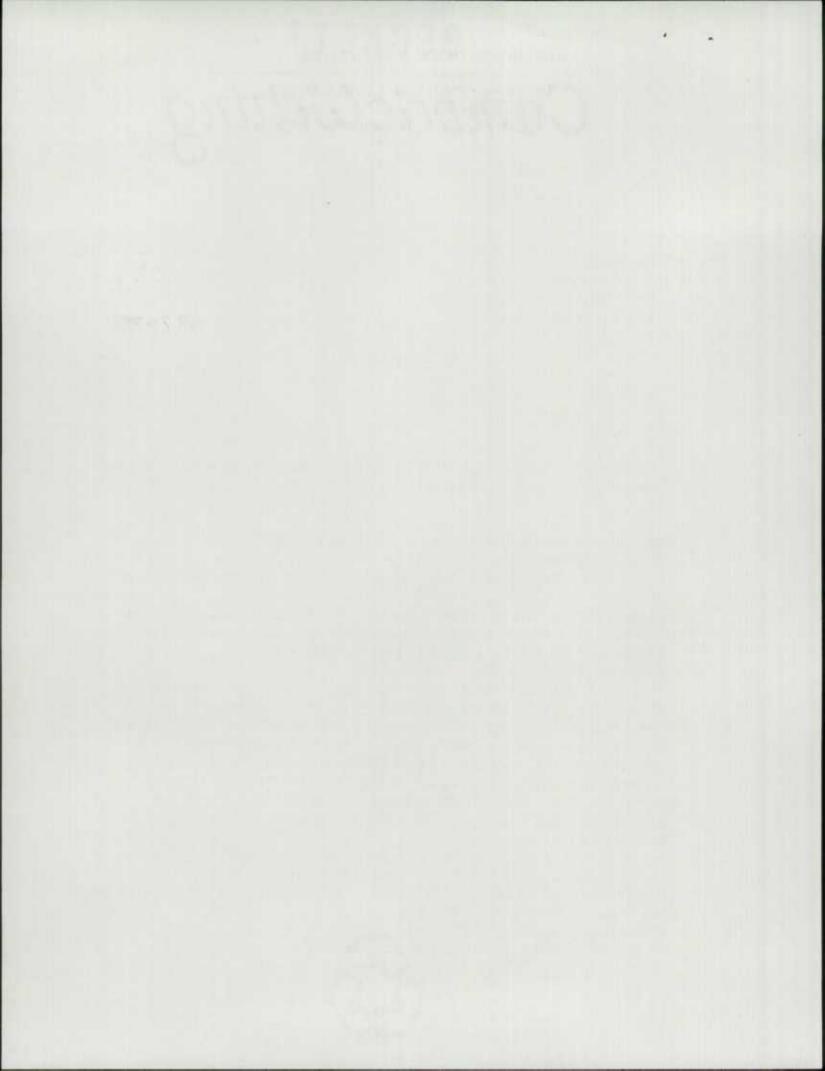
Re: MSD 08-11-29

Dear Mr. Hurley:



We have reviewed your letter addressed to Ms. Olivia Vidotto dated June 15, 2008 and offer the following point by point response to the 12 comments.

- 1. See Lot Coverage Table added to the attached supplemental plan.
- 2. We have not been required to provide an environmental impact statement. DNR Wildlife and Heritage Service was included on Planning and Zoning's distribution list.
- 3. The pond area is included in the 50.5 acres. The information statement on the plan shows the total area within the Critical Area as 50.5 acres with 10.1 acres of wetlands (this includes the pond) for a net area of 40.4 acres.
- 4. This area is intended to remain in agriculture.
- 5. This property is located within a State Agricultural Preservation District limiting the size of the lot to no more than 2 acres. All current development is located outside the 100' buffer and redevelopment of the lot would have to be located outside of the buffer. If recorded by July 1, 2010 the buffer will remain at 100'.
- 6. Lots 3 & 4 are being created by 20 acre density within the RCA. The Family Conveyance designation is based on Article 7-1.06.J of the Calvert County Zoning Ordinance allowing lots to be served by a private road.
- 7. This is the 10,000 s.f. sewage disposal area and has been labeled as such on the supplemental plan.
- 8. The 16' "Family Conveyance R/W" has been located outside of the 100' buffer with the exception of the first 80' +/- where it follows an existing gravel drive through an opening in the trees. Relocation of the road will require the removal of trees which we would prefer not to do.
- 9. There are no proposed upgrades to the roadway.
- 10. We acknowledge the requirement of recordation by July 1, 2010.



- 11. A supplemental plan showing the Critical Area portion of the property at 1" = 100' is attached.
- 12. The existing structures have been labeled on the supplemental plan. There are no additional dwelling units.

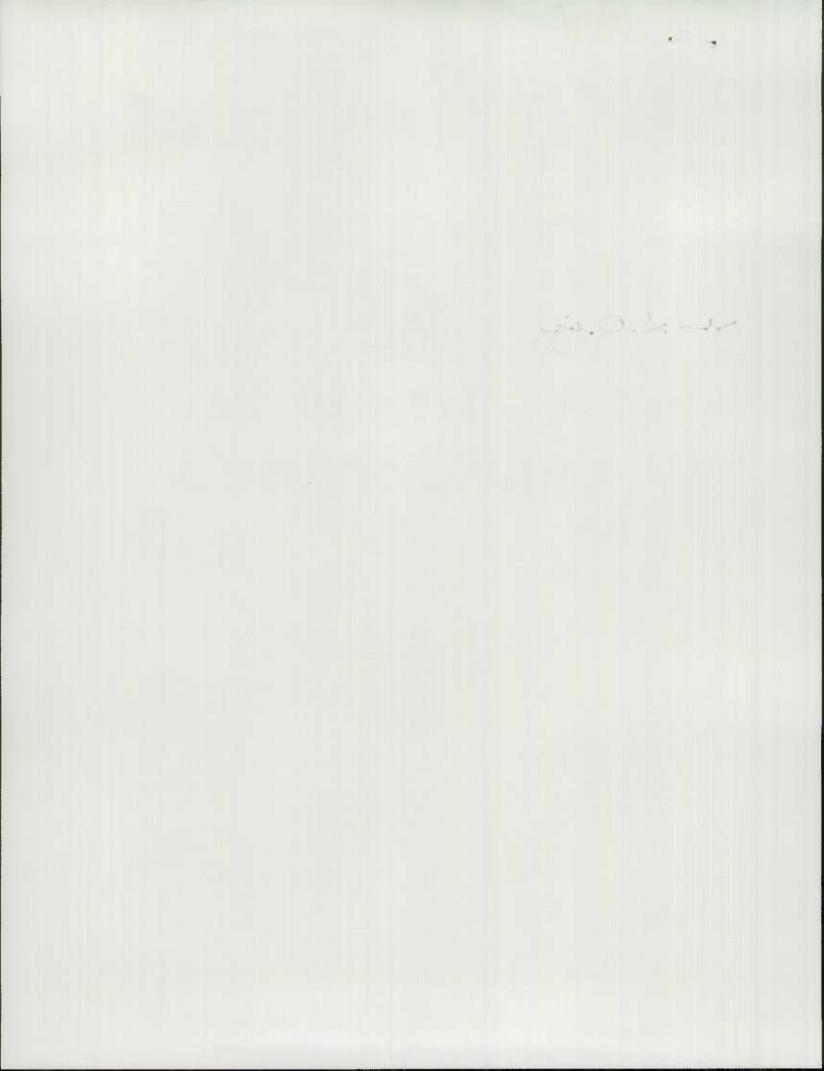
I trust these responses are adequate. Please let me know if you need additional information.

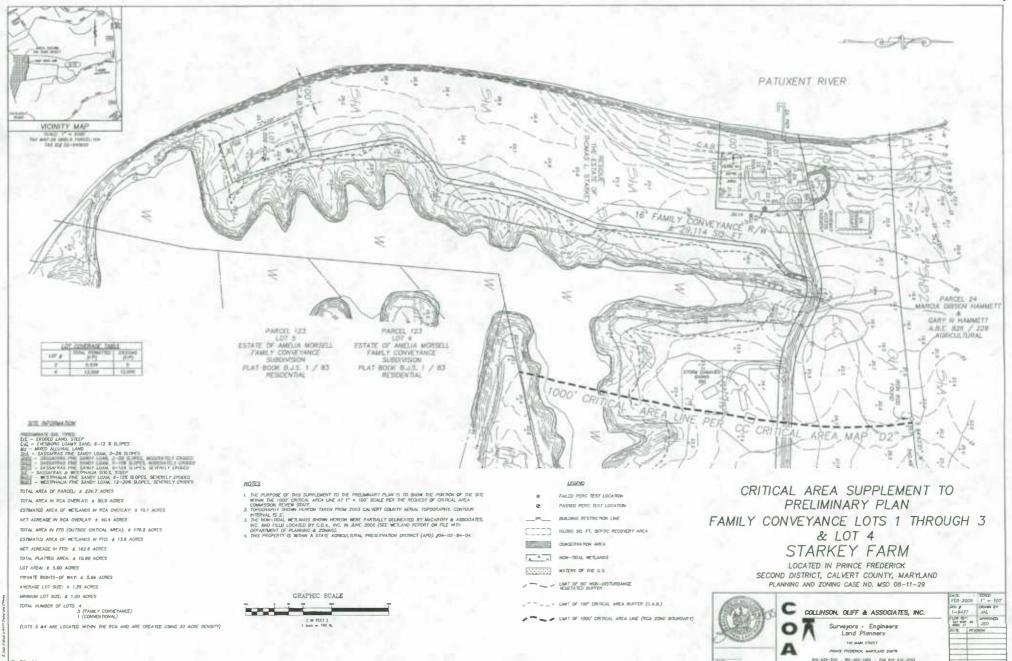
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John S. Oliff, L.S.

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