

DEPARTMENT AND RESIDENTS AND ELECTED OFFICIALS OF GARRETT COUNTY CAN WORK COOPERATIVELY TO IMPLEMENT THE STRICT LIMITATION ON THE NUMBER OF ACRES OF LAND IN GARRETT COUNTY OWNED BY THE DEPARTMENT ON JUNE 30, 1986.

(4) (I) IF THE DEPARTMENT AND THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS HAVE ACTED TO TRANSFER TO TAXABLE OWNERSHIP A NUMBER OF ACRES OF LAND OWNED BY THE DEPARTMENT IN GARRETT COUNTY, THE DEPARTMENT MAY ACQUIRE UP TO THAT NUMBER OF ACRES OF LAND ELSEWHERE IN GARRETT COUNTY.

(II) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE DEPARTMENT AND THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS ARE DEEMED TO HAVE ACTED TO TRANSFER ACRES OF LAND TO TAXABLE OWNERSHIP, IF:

1. THE DEPARTMENT HAS PROVIDED NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC THROUGH THE STATE CLEARINGHOUSE PROCESS THAT CERTAIN ACRES OF LAND WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR SALE;

2. THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS HAS APPROVED DISPOSITION OF THE LAND; AND

3. THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES TAKES APPROPRIATE ACTION TO MAKE THE LAND AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC SALE.

(III) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL TAKE ALL ACTION NECESSARY TO HOLD LAND AVAILABLE FOR SALE UNTIL:

1. THE LAND HAS BEEN CONVEYED TO TAXABLE OWNERSHIP; OR

2. TWO YEARS HAVE ELAPSED FROM THE DATE THAT THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS APPROVED DISPOSITION, AT WHICH TIME THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SUBSTITUTE OTHER ACRES OF LAND FOR THOSE THAT HAVE NOT BEEN SOLD AND HOLD THEM AVAILABLE FOR SALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS PARAGRAPH.

(IV) THE DEPARTMENT MUST MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO SELL THE LAND.

(V) THE DEPARTMENT MAY WITHDRAW LAND MADE AVAILABLE FOR SALE UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH FROM AVAILABILITY FOR SALE IF THE DEPARTMENT:

1. HAS NOT ACQUIRED AN AMOUNT OF ACRES OF LAND EQUAL TO THAT WHICH IS WITHDRAWN; OR

2. HAS PROPOSED THROUGH THE STATE CLEARINGHOUSE AND THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS HAS APPROVED DISPOSITION OF AN EQUAL, SUBSTITUTE AMOUNT OF ACRES OF LAND.