- (J) "FOREST" MEANS A BIOLOGICAL COMMUNITY DOMINATED BY TREES AND OTHER WOODY PLANTS CONTAINING AT LEAST 100 TREES PER ACRE WITH AT LEAST 50 PERCENT OF THOSE TREES HAVING A 2 INCH OR GREATER DIAMETER MEASURED AT 4.5 FEET ABOVE THE GROUND, AND INCLUDING AREAS THAT HAVE BEEN CUT BUT NOT CLEARED.
- (K) (1) "FOREST OR WOODLAND" MEANS A BIOLOGICAL COMMUNITY DOMINATED BY TREES AND OTHER WOODY PLANTS COVERING A LAND AREA OF 10,000 SQUARE FEET OR GREATER.

(2) "FOREST OR WOODLAND" INCLUDES:

- (I) AREAS THAT HAVE AT LEAST 100 TREES PER ACRE WITH AT LEAST 50% OF THOSE TREES HAVING A 2 INCH OR GREATER DIAMETER AT 4.5 FEET ABOVE THE GROUND AND LARGER; AND
- (II) FOREST OR WOODLAND AREAS THAT HAVE BEEN CUT BUT NOT CLEARED.
 - (3) "FOREST OR WOODLAND" DOES NOT INCLUDE ORCHARDS.
- (K) (L) "FOREST CONSERVATION" MEANS THE RETENTION OF EXISTING FOREST OR THE CREATION OF NEW FOREST AT THE LEVELS PRESCRIBED BY THE STATE OR LOCAL AUTHORITY.
- $\frac{\text{(L)}}{\text{(M)}}$ "FOREST CONSERVATION PLAN" MEANS A PLAN APPROVED PURSUANT TO §§ 5–1606 AND 5–1607 OF THIS SUBTITLE.
- $\frac{\mbox{(M)}}{\mbox{(N)}}$ "FOREST COVER" MEANS THE AREA OF A SITE MEETING THE DEFINITION OF FOREST.
- $\frac{(N)}{(O)}$ "FORESTED SLOPES" MEANS AN AREA MEETING THE DÉFINITION OF FOREST AND GROWING ON AN AREA WITH A SLOPE OF 25 PERCENT OR MORE AND COVERING AN AREA OF AT LEAST $\frac{5,000}{10,000}$ SQUARE FEET.
- (O) (P) "FOREST STAND DELINEATION" IS A MEANS THE METHODOLOGY FOR EVALUATING THE EXISTING VEGETATION ON A SITE PROPOSED FOR DEVELOPMENT, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS THAT SHAPE OR INFLUENCE THE STRUCTURE OR MAKEUP OF A PLANT COMMUNITY.
- (P) (Q) "INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT AREA" INCLUDES SCHOOLS, COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES, MILITARY INSTALLATIONS, TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES, HIGHWAYS, UTILITY AND SEWER PROJECTS, GOVERNMENT OFFICES AND FACILITIES, GOLF COURSES, RECREATION AREAS, PARKS, AND CEMETERIES.