

Article — Natural Resources

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~~THE FOREST CONSERVATION PLAN SHALL CONFORM TO THE FOREST CONSERVATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE APPLICABLE MAJOR LAND USE CATEGORY ESTABLISHED AS FOLLOWS:~~

~~(1) SUBDIVISION OR GRADING ACTIVITIES IN "AGRICULTURAL OR RESOURCE AREAS" DESIGNATED BY THE LOCAL AUTHORITY UNDER THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, § 15-101 ET SEQ AS "DEVELOPED AREAS" SHALL REQUIRE 50 PERCENT OF THE NET TRACT AREA TO BE CONSERVED IN FOREST:~~

~~(I) ON TRACTS HAVING LESS THAN 50 PERCENT OF THE NET TRACT AREA IN FOREST COVER, THE AMOUNT OF REQUIRED FOREST CONSERVATION SHALL BE EITHER THE PERCENT OF THE NET TRACT EXISTING IN FOREST OR 20 PERCENT OF THE NET TRACT AREA, WHICHEVER IS GREATER; AND~~

~~(II) TRACTS HAVING LESS THAN 20 PERCENT OF THE NET TRACT AREA IN EXISTING FOREST COVER SHALL BE AFFORESTED UP TO A LEVEL OF 20 PERCENT OF THE NET TRACT AREA.~~

~~(2) SUBDIVISION OR GRADING ACTIVITIES IN "RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT AREAS" DESIGNATED BY THE LOCAL AUTHORITY UNDER THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, § 15-101 ET SEQ AS "DEVELOPED AREAS" SHALL REQUIRE 20 PERCENT OF THE NET TRACT AREA TO BE CONSERVED IN FOREST:~~

~~(I) ON TRACTS HAVING LESS THAN 20 PERCENT OF THE NET TRACT AREA IN FOREST COVER, THE AMOUNT OF REQUIRED FOREST CONSERVATION SHALL BE EITHER THE PERCENT OF THE NET TRACT EXISTING IN FOREST OR 15 PERCENT OF THE NET TRACT AREA, WHICHEVER IS GREATER; AND~~

~~(II) TRACTS HAVING LESS THAN 15 PERCENT OF THE NET TRACT AREA IN EXISTING FOREST COVER SHALL BE AFFORESTED UP TO A LEVEL OF 15 PERCENT OF THE NET TRACT AREA.~~

~~(3) SUBDIVISION OR GRADING ACTIVITIES IN "INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT AREAS" DESIGNATED BY THE LOCAL AUTHORITY UNDER THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, § 15-101 ET SEQ AS "DEVELOPED AREAS" SHALL REQUIRE 20 PERCENT OF THE NET TRACT AREA TO BE CONSERVED IN FOREST:~~

~~(I) ON TRACTS HAVING LESS THAN 20 PERCENT OF THE NET TRACT AREA IN FOREST COVER, THE AMOUNT OF REQUIRED FOREST CONSERVATION SHALL BE EITHER THE PERCENT OF THE NET TRACT EXISTING IN FOREST OR 15 PERCENT OF THE NET TRACT AREA, WHICHEVER IS GREATER; AND~~