

**FOREST CONSERVATION DECLARATION OF INTENT  
FOR AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES**

Declarants, the owner(s) of the real property at \_\_\_\_\_

Liber No. \_\_\_\_\_ Folio No. \_\_\_\_\_ Recorded on (date) \_\_\_\_\_

Account # \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Map: \_\_\_\_\_ Block: \_\_\_\_\_ Parcel: \_\_\_\_\_

hereby declare my (our) intention to continue agricultural use of and/or place into agricultural use the above property in accordance with the provisions of the Code of Public Local Laws and Ordinances of Carroll County, Maryland, Chapter 150, Forest Conservation (hereinafter "Chapter 150") for a period of at least seven (7) full consecutive taxable years following this date.

This declaration of intent grants an exemption for agricultural activities under Chapter 150 provided that within one (1) year of the filing of this declaration of intent, there is an observable agricultural activity within the exempted area and documentation that the agricultural activity is part of a recognized commercial enterprise is submitted to the County. If the preceding conditions are not met, if the land does not remain in agricultural use, or if the owner makes an application for an activity regulated under Chapter 150, on all or part of the parcel within the seven (7) year period from the date of this declaration, Carroll County shall require the owner to meet the forest conservation requirements established in Chapter and may also assess a noncompliance fee for forested areas cut in violation of the agricultural exemption.

This declaration of intent is intended to run with the land, and to bind any future purchasers or other holders of interest. If an application is submitted to any agency to perform any activity regulated by the provisions of Chapter 150 or if any non-agricultural activities or site improvements are performed on all or part of the parcel within seven (7) years of the date of this document was signed, then Carroll County shall require the owner of the parcel at that time to meet all requirements of the Code of Public Local Laws and Ordinances of Carroll County, Maryland and may also assess a penalty based on the acreage found to be in violation of that ordinance.

I (we) declare, under the penalties of law, that this declaration of intent, including any accompanying forms and statements, has been examined by me (us) and information contained herein, to the best of my (our) knowledge, information, and belief, is true, correct, and complete.

THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF  
CARROLL COUNTY, a body corporate and  
politic of the State of Maryland

\_\_\_\_\_  
BY:  
"Declarant"

\_\_\_\_\_  
BY: Department of Land and Resource Management  
"County"

\_\_\_\_\_  
PRINTED NAME

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PRINTED NAME TITLE

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_