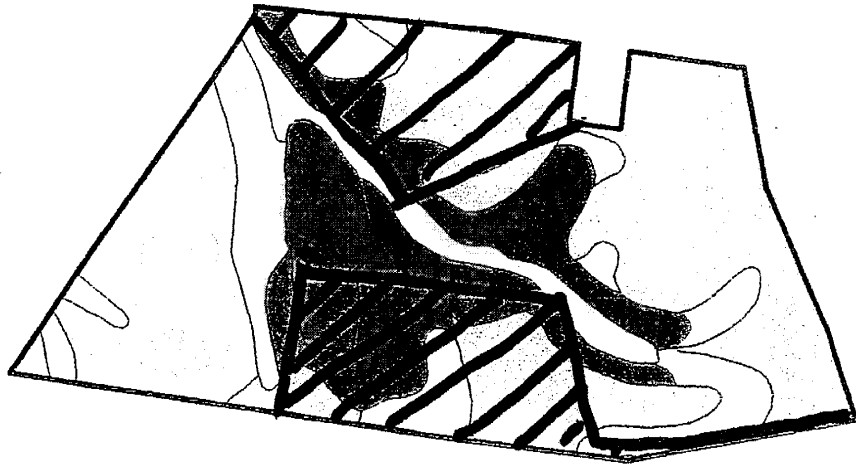
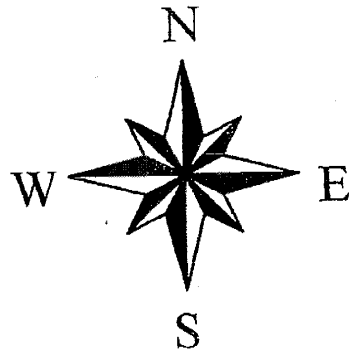


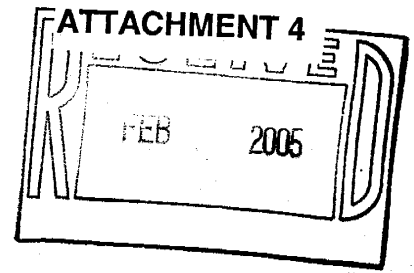
Shiloh Farm Soil Capability Classification



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	Shiloh
	Class II Soils = 82.1 acres
	Class III Soils = 32.8 acres
	Class IV Soils = 25.8 acres
	Class VII Soils = <u>1.6</u> acres
	142.3 acres



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DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Douglas M. Duncan
County Executive

February 15, 2005

David W. Edgerley
Director

To: Derick Berlage., Chairman
Montgomery County Planning Board

From: John P. Zawitoski, Director of Planning and Promotions
Department of Economic Development

Subject: Creation of a Maryland Land Preservation Foundation (MALPF)
Agricultural District- Shiloh Farm - Michael Rubin

In accordance with the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation (MALPF), a petition to establish Agricultural District (See Attachment A.) has been received from the following entity as described in detail below:

1. Shiloh Farm - Michael Rubin
21420 Big Woods Road, Dickerson, Md 20842

Total Acres to be included in the Agricultural District

140 acres

The pending Agricultural District consists of about 140 acres as outlined on the tax map identified as Attachment B enclosed. The farm is inactive agricultural production consisting of a rotation of small grains and hay.

The Planning Board is required to make written comments to the County Council as to whether creation of such a district is compatible with the planning policies of the County.

The status of the Agricultural District is as follows:

On January 14, 2005 the Montgomery County Agricultural Preservation Advisory Board approved the creation of the Agricultural District (Attachment C).

Montgomery County Planning Board to review the petition to establish the Agricultural Districts in March 2005.

The Montgomery County Council will introduce District establishment resolutions in April 2005.

The County Council must hold a public hearing and vote to approve the resolution to establish the Districts in April 2005.

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The Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation (MALPF) Board of Trustees to review and approve the District during May 2005

The application to sell an easement and other supporting documentation must be processed by the Department of Economic Development (DED) pending the approval of the resolution to create the requested Agricultural District.

This entity wishes to submit an easement application to MALPF prior to July 1, 2005.

To enable this entity to make application to sell MALPF easements by the July 1, 2005 application deadline, we will need the Planning Board's support in approving this District prior to the County Council Introduction of Resolution, Public Hearing, and final action on the Resolution. Once the County has approved the resolution, the DED will process the Agricultural District and Easement Application.

Please let me know, at your earliest opportunity, when the Planning Board can schedule review of these Agricultural District. We would like to schedule this District before the Council in March, if possible. The Planning Board should forward written comments on the creation of this Agricultural District to the Montgomery County Council and also to the DED.

Thank you for your assistance and consideration. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please call me at 301-590-2831.

Attachments

- (A) Petition to Establish an Agricultural District
- (B) Tax Map
- (C) APAB Approval Letter
- (D) Soil Map

cc: David W. Edgerley, Director DED
Jeremy Criss, Manager DED
Judy Daniel, Rural Area Team Leader

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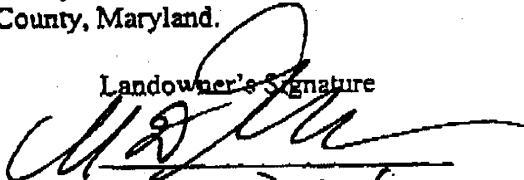
A) Petition to Establish an Agricultural District

PETITION
TO THE GOVERNING BODY OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY
TO ESTABLISH AN AGRICULTURAL PRESERVATION DISTRICT

I/We the undersigned landowner(s) of productive agricultural land in Montgomery County, Maryland petition the county governing body of Montgomery County to establish an Agricultural Preservation District composed of the parcel(s) of land described herein. I/We understand that subject to county governing body and Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation approval of the requested District, the owner(s) of land parcel(s) within the District will become eligible for a period of at least five (5) years to make application to sell a development rights easement to the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation during which time the attached District Agreement shall be in effect and recorded among the land records of Montgomery County, Maryland.

Landowner's Signature

Date



1/6/05

Michael D Decker

Shiloh LLC member

Submission Date: _____

