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June 27 & 28, 2005		Mr. Mereos met with Mr. Mark Etheridge, a DPS Water Resources plan reviewer. At this meeting Mr. Mereos was informed that his site was forested and was wholly within a recorded Federal wetland. Mr. Mereos made the statement that there must be some way to make the site not a wetland. Mr. Mereos was told to coordinate with M-NCPPC before clearing any forest. These conversations occurred after Mr. Mereos put the property under contract, but before he took ownership of the property.		
August 30, 2005	M-NCPPC inspection staff received complaint call from DPS stating that forest clearing had occurred at 17900 Trundle Road.			
September 1, 2005	M-NCPPC inspection staff responded to complaint at 17900 Trundle Road and found approximately 83,145 square feet of forest cleared from property lot. DPS issues a Notice of Violation and 2 civil citations for clearing land without a sediment control permit.	DPS Sediment Control Inspector met with Mr. Mereos at site; issued Notice of Violation and two (2) civil citations.		
September 20, 2005	DPS visited site and discovered that additional work had been performed over the weekend of Sept. 17 & 18.	DPS Sediment Control Inspector revisited site and discovered additional work had been done without any sediment control permits.		
September 21, 2005	M-NCPPC inspection staff contacted Mr. Anthony Mereos to establish a date of an on-site meeting to discuss the forest clearing.			
September 23, 2005			Initial investigation by MDE Inspector into nature of violation. This inspection done during dry conditions and unable to determine presence of wetland conditions.	
October 4, 2005	M-NCPPC inspection staff met Mr. Mereos at 17900 Trundle Road. The clearing of 83,145 square feet of forest was discussed and a civil citation was issued under Chapter 22-A of the Forest Conservation Law for the amount of \$1000. Mr. Mereos request a meeting to contest citation. Mr. Mereos was instructed to produce appropriate and certified documentation showing the extent of forest cover at time of property possession along with signed affidavit from previous property owner.	DPS Sediment Control Inspector and Sediment Control Supervisor met Mr. Mereos on site. Mr. Mereos directed to install silt fence per state standards and to obtain necessary sediment control permits.		
October 7, 2005	M-NCPPC staff met with Mr. Mereos in offices. Forest clearing was further explained. Mr. Mereos produced a hand drawn note showing what he believed was the existing forest cover on his property at time of possession. No affidavits were supplied. Mr. Mereos was told that a Civil Administrative Order would be sent to him from M-NCPPC staff outlining corrective action necessary to remediate site.			
October 31, 2005	DPS Well & Septic forwards complaint letter written by the "Concerned Citizens of Trundle Road" documenting condition of site before purchase by Mr. Mereos and damaged caused by Mr. Mereos' clearing activities.			

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November 17, 2005			Follow-up inspection. Mr. Mereos' property determined to be a regulated, non-tidal wetland based on presence of aquatic plants species, water and hydric soils. Additionally, map shows area to be a wetland. MDE Inspector found the site to be in violation of Title 5-906 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, Environmental Article.	
December 5, 2005			On site investigation in conjunction with COE	On site investigation in conjunction with MDE
December 20, 2005		Mr. Mereos taken to District Court. Judgment found against Mr. Mereos; \$200 fine and Order for Abatement.		
January 27, 2006		Follow-up site inspection. Found fill dirt being brought into site.		Letter of violation issued to Mr. Mereos outlining violation of Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.
January 30, 2006			MDE responded to complaint that fill dirt was being dumped on site. MDE found that 4 to 6 truckloads of dirt had been deposited on site. This constitutes an additional violation of Title 5-906. Violations forwarded to MDE for enforcement.	
January 31, 2006			Site violation and restoration order issued against Mr. Mereos.	On site meeting with MDE and Mr. Mereos. Hand delivered Cease and Desist/Restoration Order to Mr. Mereos.
March 2, 2006	Civil Administrative Order sent to Mr. Mereos by certified mail.			
March 10, 2006	Meeting between M-NCPPC staff, Mr. Mereos, Mr. Shawn Whittaker (Mr. Mereos' attorney) and Mr. Mereos' site surveyor. Further discussed violation and penalties. Explained to Mr. Mereos and site engineer exactly what was needed to prepare and submit NRI/FSD for review and approval. Mr. Whittaker requested that \$1000 civil fine and the Civil Administrative Order be rescinded. In return, Mr. Mereos would proceed with the remediation process.			
March 21, 2006				
April 7, 2006			On site meeting with Mr. Mereos to discuss sequence of operations for tree removal from waterways.	
April 27, 2006	M-NCPPC staff received letter from Mr. Whittaker outlining Mr. Mereos' stance on the forest clearing issue and that the NRI/FSD will be produced by the end of April.		Follow-up site inspection for on-site meeting on 3/21/06 to ensure compliance.	
May 5, 2006	In office meeting with Mr. Mereos, Mr. Whittaker and Mr. Mereos' engineer. Requirements for remediation restated as well as staff's position on pursuing civil administrative penalties. Staff informed by Mr. Whittaker that Mr. Mereos will suspend all work required under Civil Administrative Order.			
May 12, 2006	Site follow-up inspection. Discovered that numerous trenches had been dug in order to drain the wetlands on the property. All trenches leading to off-site drainage paths. Talked to neighbor who states that he witnessed workers on-site digging trenches 2 weeks prior to this date. DPS notified.			
May 15, 2006		Site visit in response to calls about trenches dug on site. Invoked Order for Abatement and issued 2 civil citations for working under a Stop Work Order.		