# Forest Mitigation Banking

Addressing the barriers to entry



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# **Chesapeake** Forests

## **1.Outreach and Education**

### **2.Forest Restoration**





Investing in the Chesapeake Bay's Conservation Marketplace





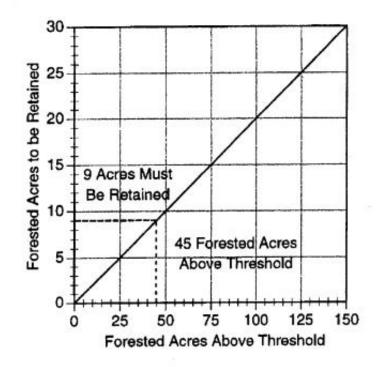
### THE MARYLAND FOREST CONSERVATION ACT:

the law that conserves forests during development

# 1991







A simple relationship exists between the number of forested acres above the Conservation Threshold and the amount of forests required to be retained in order to be exempt from reforestation requirements. One acre of retention is required for every 5 acres of forest above the threshold (1:5 = 20%) The dashed lines above indicate how an applicant would calculate the break even point for the site used as an example

Source: Adapted from Forest Conservation Manual, 1991

Determination of Breakeven Point	Figure
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Land Use Type	Conservation Threshold	Afforestation Threshold
Agricultural and Resources Areas	50%	20%
Medium Density Residential Areas	25%	20%
Institutional Development Areas	20%	15%
High Density Residential Areas	20%	15%
Mixed Use and Planned Unit Development Areas	15%	15%
Commercial and Industrial Use Areas	15%	15%

Agricultural and Resource Areas – undeveloped areas zoned for densities of less than or equal to one dwelling unit per five acres.

**Medium Density Residential Areas** – areas zoned for densities greater than one dwelling unit per five acres and less than or equal to one dwelling unit per acre, including both existing and planned development and their associated infrastructure, such as roads, utilities, and water and sewer service.

**Institutional Development Areas** – schools, colleges, universities, military installations, transportation facilities, utility and sewer projects, government offices and facilities, golf courses, recreation areas, parks, and cemeteries.

High Density Residential Areas – areas zoned for densitites greater than one dwelling unit per acre, including both existing and planned development and their associated infrastructure, such as roads, utilities, and water and sewer service.

Mixed Use Development Areas - single, relatively high density development projects, usually commercial in nature, which include two or more types of uses.

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### Carroll County Forest Conservation Ordinance

- On site
- Off site
- Fee in lieu
- Afforestation only
- Credit from a established Forest Bank



McDaniel students know what to read.

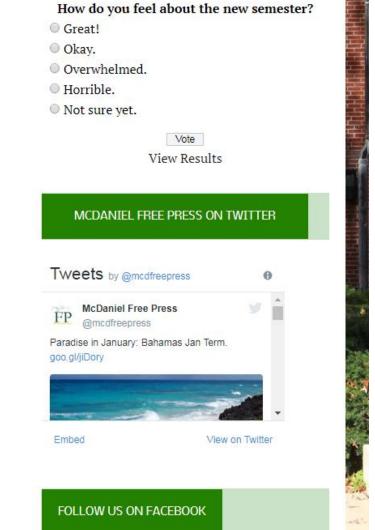




### McDaniel's Singleton Matthews Farm -What is it good for?

TOPICS: Campus Farm Singleton Matthews Farm





The Singleton Matthews Farm is owned by McDaniel College and is located just ten minutes from the computer vet



### McDaniel College- Singleton Farm



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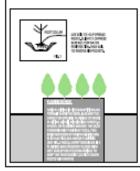
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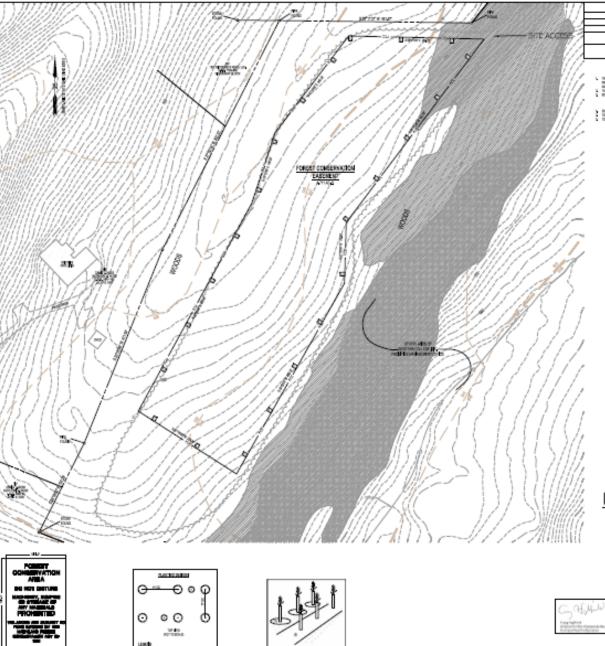
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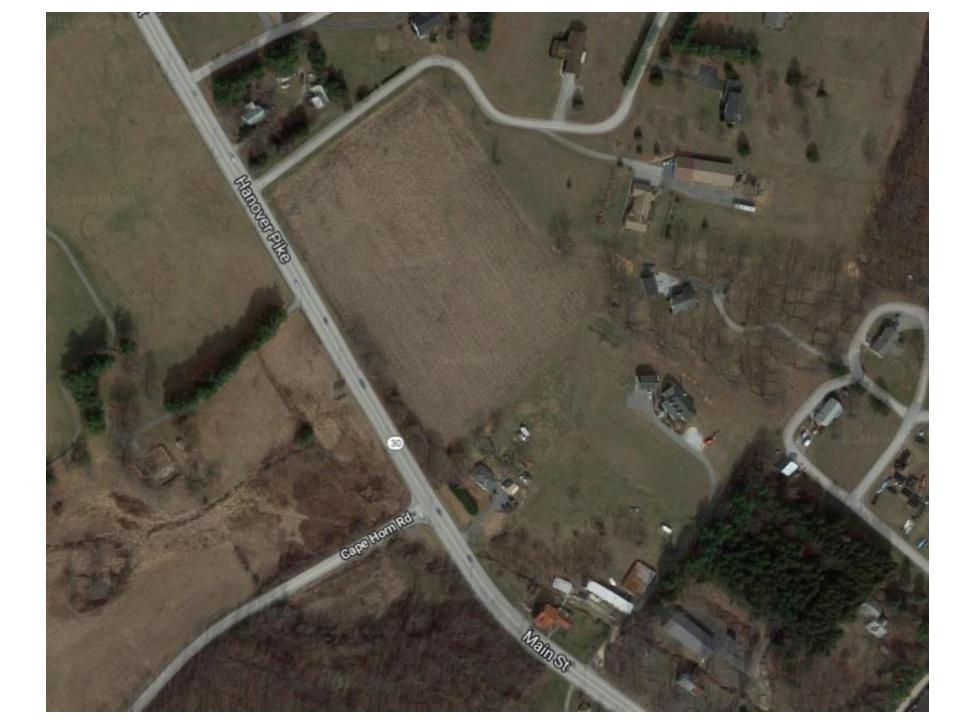
Size	Number Required Per Acre	Approximate Spacing feet on center	Requin At the end o	rement f the second season
Bare Root Seedlings or whips	700	8 x 8	55%	385
When using Tubex	436	10 X 10	75%	327
Bare Root Whips Container grown seedling tubes (minimum cavity width 1.5")	450	10 x 10	65%	290
When using Tubex	350	12 X 12	75%	263
Container Grown 1, 2, 3 Gallon	350	12 x 12	75%	260
Container Grown 5, 7 Gallon or 1" Caliper B & B	200	15 x 15	85%	170
Container Grown 15, 25 Gallon or 1.5 - 2" Caliper B & B	100	20 x 20	100%	100



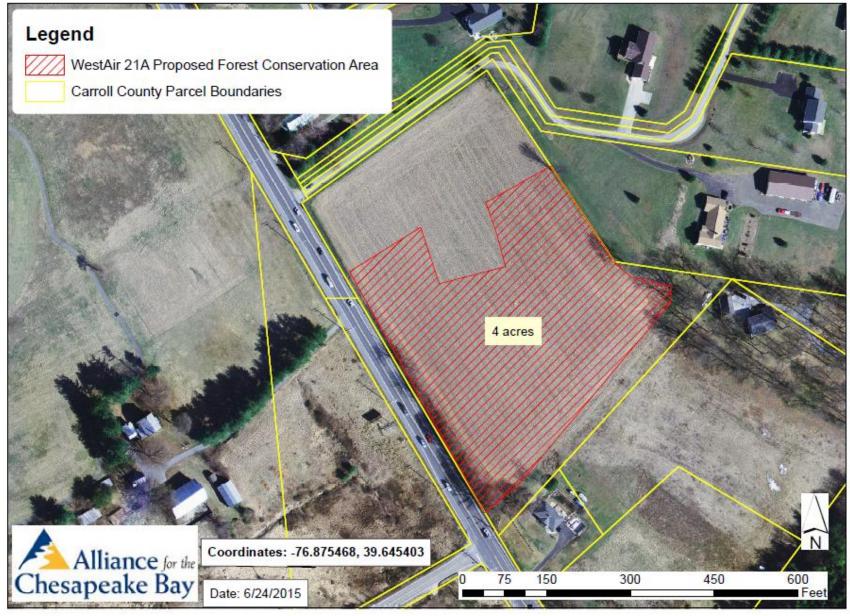


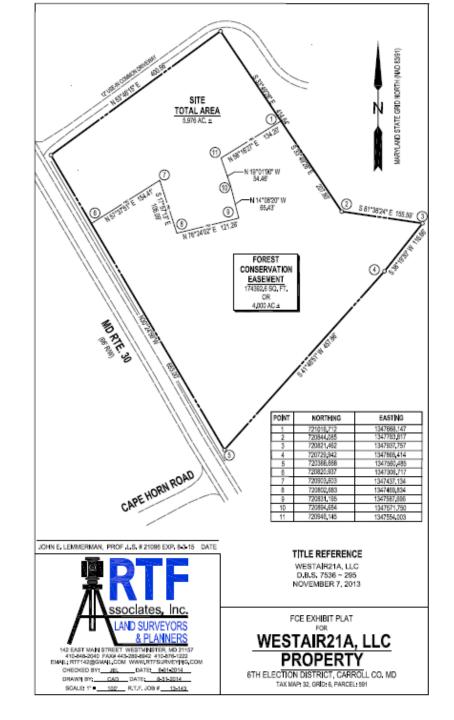






### Bill Radford- WestAir 21A LLC







501 6th Street, Annapolis, MD 21403; www.allianceforthebay.org

Planting specifications:

West Air LLC Route 30 Hanover Pike Hampstead, MD 21074

#### MD Grid 39.38.40; 76.52.33 W

SITE OVERVIEW

The planting area consists of 4.0 contiguous acres. The site has been historically used for agriculture and is currently dominated by forbs and grasses.

One soil type dominates the planting area. The (BrC) Brinklow series consists of moderately deep, well drained soils common on side slopes in the uplands on the Piedmont Province. The site index (SI-height of tree at age 50) for Red oaks averages 75 feet while Tulip poplar has a site index of 90 feet. The site is productive for tree growth, hardwoods are well suited for this soil. The entire site is part of the "Prettyboy Reservoir" Drainage Basin # 2130806.

Planting material will conform to the current issue of "The American Standards for Nursery Stock", published by the "American Association of Nurserymen". Hardwoods, no less than 21" in height will be used. The planting stock will be Bare root stock. A total of 350 trees per acre with random distribution will be planted.

This area will require 1,400 trees. Each tree will be protected with a 5 foot shelter with a white oak or treated hardwood stake.

Quantity Species	Spacing Feet
250 Poplar Liriodendron tulipifera	11 x 11
250 Red Oak –Quercus rubra	11 x 11
250 Black Oak –Quercus velutina	11 x 11
250 Red maple-Acer rubrum	11 X 11
200 White Dogwood- Cornus florida	11 x 11
200 Redbud-Cercis canadensis	11 x 11

#### SITE PREP:

Area should be mowed, after laying out individual rows for planting. Each planting hole should be sprayed with a post emergent in each row to be established. A glyphosate product will kill all existing green plants. Invasive plants must be kept under control, note Ailanthus trees are in close proximately and will invade the site.











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\$40,000. per acre of woodland conservation credit.

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Interested parties contact Eric Sprague, esprague@allianceforthebay.org

## Perceived Landowner Barriers to Entry

- High upfront costs to establish forest credits.
- Lack of reliable and easy-to-understand resources on the local forest banking programs.
- Insufficient number of services providers in the region available to guide interested landowners through the process.
- Risk of no economic return.



### **Sustainable Conservation Investment Fund:**

An impact investment Approach for Chesapeake Farms and Forests

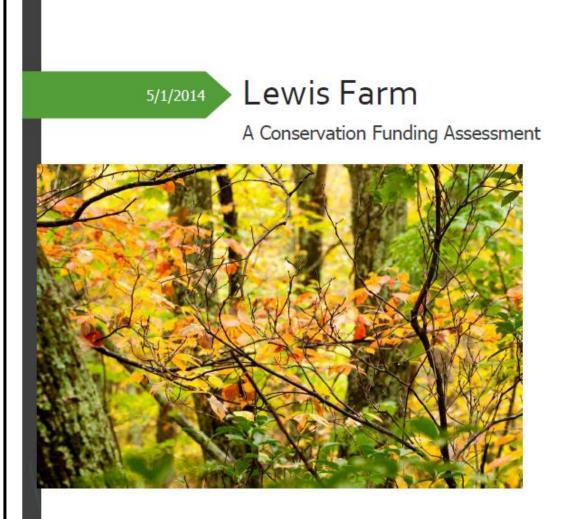






**CONSERVATION INNOVATION GRANTS** 

		Eligibility Requirements [In addition to the following state elgibility criteria: (1) Establishing or enhancing a ripar				
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	Allows Private	MUST be a forest buffer along		Buffers between conflicting land uses,	Increase contiguous forest	Fores
		streams and floodplains with a	May not be		cover by adding new forest	в (
	Landowner	minimum width of 50 feet on each	enrolled in		adjacent to an existing	coni
Jurisdiction	Banking (Y/N)	side of the stream.	CREP	of-way.	forest.	fores
1 Allegheny	N					
2 Aberdeen	N			x	х	
3 Annapolis	N					
4 Anne Arundel	Y			x	x	
5 Baltimore County	Y					
6 Baltimore City	N					
7 Bel Air	N					
8 Calvert	Y			x	x	
9 Charles	Y					
10 Caroline	Y					
11 Carroll	Y		x	x	x	
12 Cecil	Y		x	x	x	
13 Elkton	Y					
14 Gaithersburg	N					
15 Garrett	N					
16 Harford	Y			x	x	
17 Havre de Grace	Y				x	
18 Howard	Y				x	
19 Dorchester	Y		x		x	
20 Frederick	Y	X	x			
21 Kent	Y	www.forestsforthebay.org				
22 Montgomery	Y			x	x	
23 Prince George's	Y			x	x	







# Ecosystem Markets

- Virginia Nutrient Trading Program
- Maryland Forest Conservation Banking programs
- Maryland Critical Areas Banking Program
- Maryland Nutrient Trading Program\*

