

# Maryland State Reforestation Law Program Natural Resources Article § 5-103(h)

# **Annual Report**

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Submitted to:

Senate Education, Health & Environmental Affairs Committee The Honorable Joan Carter Conway, Chair

House Environmental Matters Committee The Honorable Maggie L. McIntosh, Chair

#### Introduction

Natural Resources Article § 5-103 (The Reforestation Law) requires that on or before July 1 of each year, the department or local authority shall submit to the Senate Economic and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Environmental Matters Committee a report on:

- (1) The number and location of each construction activity subject to the requirements of the Reforestation Law;
- (2) The amount and location of acres cleared, conserved, and planted in connection with the activity; and
- (3) The amount of reforestation fees collected and expended (1991, ch. 255, § 2.)

# **Construction Activities Subject to the Reforestation Law**

Projects Reviewed Under NRA 5-103 FY 2012:

| Contract# | County               | Watershed           | Acres Impacted |
|-----------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| BA4215180 | Baltimore            | Gunpowder           | 2.00           |
| BA9705277 | Baltimore            | Patapsco            | 1.95           |
| HO3915170 | Howard               | Patuxent            | 12.17          |
| HA3485570 | Harford              | Bush                | 4.00           |
| AA4935130 | Anne Arundel         | West Chesapeake Bay | 2.00           |
|           |                      |                     |                |
|           |                      |                     |                |
|           | Total Acres Impacted |                     | 22.12          |

### **Amount and Location of Acres Conserved and Planted**

Acreage Planted and Paid Fee-In-Lieu under NRA 5-103 FY 2012:

| Contract#            | County         | Watershed        | Acres Planted/Paid For |
|----------------------|----------------|------------------|------------------------|
| MO868B21             | Montgomery     | Washington Metro | 8.87                   |
| HO3065171            | Howard         | Patuxent River   | 21.66                  |
| HO7565170            | Howard         | Patuxent River   | 6.68                   |
| CL4165370            | Carroll        | Patapsco River   | 11.40                  |
| BA9705277            | Baltimore      | Patapsco River   | 1.95                   |
| HA3485570            | Harford        | Bush River       | 4.00                   |
| Total Acres Planted: |                |                  | 54.56                  |
| KH-1503-000-006      | Baltimore      | Patapsco River   | 5.70                   |
| KH-1301-000-006      | Baltimore      | Patapsco River   | 85.78                  |
| KH-1402-000-006      | Baltimore      | Gunpowder        | 56.05                  |
| KH-1501-000-006      | Baltimore City | Patapsco River   | 5.46                   |
|                      | 152.99         |                  |                        |

#### **Amount of Reforestation Fees Collected and Expended**

Fees collected: \$\$646,424.44 (152.99 acres) from Maryland Transportation Authority Fees expended: \$0 (Fees were received too late in the fiscal year for use in FY 2012.)

## **Grant Program**

Any funds in excess of the mitigation obligation for a county or watershed have historically been used to fund a grant program for local governments. In FY 2012, \$0 was granted to local communities via Reforestation Law fee-in-lieu funds.