

## TWO YEAR MAINTENANCE & MONITORING AGREEMENT

Name of Project

Tax Map \_\_\_\_\_, Parcel \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Owner

Address of Owner

I, \_\_\_\_\_, the owner of the real property located at \_\_\_\_\_, described above, hereby declare \_\_\_\_\_ intention to provide maintenance of the \_\_\_\_\_ acre area depicted on the Forest Conservation Plan. The afforestation area will be planted between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of the year following the approval of the Forest Conservation Plan.

The Maintenance Agreement includes watering as needed, mulching, manual control of competing vegetation, and spraying to control infestation as needed. \_\_\_\_\_ will monitor the plantings at biweekly intervals, beginning \_\_\_\_\_ through \_\_\_\_\_ for a period of 2 years after the planting of \_\_\_\_\_. This monitoring of the afforestation area will include the need for watering, fertilizer application, control of invasive species, or other maintenance requirements. Any required maintenance activity will be implemented immediately following the site inspection. A registered forester, licensed landscape architect, or a Department –approved qualified professional will evaluate the afforestation after each growing season. Dead seedlings will be replaced the following spring to insure that at least 75 percent of the plantings survive. At the end of the first and second years after the planting of the \_\_\_\_\_, name of individual responsible's evaluator will advise the Town of Elkton Planning Office in writing regarding the successful completion of the planting program and request their approval. Successful completion shall be deemed to have occurred if 75% of the # and type of planting survive after 2 years after the initial planting of the \_\_\_\_\_. Forest protective signs will be placed along the afforestation stating that the area is a Forest Afforestation Area, which is not to be disturbed. These protective signs will be maintained for at least 2 years after planting or until an occupancy permit is issued for any lot containing afforestation and/or forest retention area, whichever is greater.

\_\_\_\_\_ is assuming responsibility for this maintenance agreement and subsequent tree care for a period of 2 growing seasons from the date of planting of the trees. The Town of Elkton will be informed in writing of the date of actual planting of the trees.

The Town of Elkton Planning Office is hereby designated as a third beneficiary of this agreement and may enter on the subject property to inspect the afforestation area upon notice to the property owner.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name  
Title/Position

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date