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# <u>NOTICE TO TITLE EXAMINERS</u>:

#### THIS COVENANT AND NOTICE INCLUDES BINDING TERMS FOR FUTURE LAND OWNERS AND NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.

**Clear Form** 

#### STATE OF MARYLAND MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AGRICULTURAL WATER QUALITY COST SHARE PROGRAM 50 HARRY S TRUMAN PARKWAY, ROOM 205 ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

#### COVENANT AND NOTICE OF <u>AGRICULTURAL WATER QUALITY COST-SHARE AGREEMENT</u> (Authority: Md. Agric. Code Ann., §8-704)

THIS COVENANT AND NOTICE OF AGRICULTURAL WATER QUALITY COST-SHARE AGREEMENT, (hereinafter "NOTICE") dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, by and between,

his/her or their personal representative(s), heir(s), successor(s) and assign(s), (hereinafter "Grantor"), and the State of Maryland to the use of the Maryland Department of Agriculture, (hereinafter "MDA").

WHEREAS, simultaneously herewith the Grantor and MDA entered into an Agricultural Water Quality Cost-Share Agreement, (hereinafter "Cost-Share Agreement"), No. , for the purpose of financing the construction of a ,

a water quality pollution control project, on the Grantor's land, located inCounty, Maryland,and more particularly described in the Deed dated, and recorded among the LandRecords ofCounty in LiberFolio. WHEREAS, the purpose of this NOTICEis to notify and to bind all present and future owners of the above described land to the terms of the Cost-ShareAgreement; The Cost-Share Agreement shall terminate on \_\_\_\_\_\_.

NOW, THEREFORE in consideration of the recitals set forth above and other valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledge, the Grantor agrees as follows:

- 1. All the terms and conditions of the Cost-Share Agreement are incorporated herein and constitute a lien and a covenant running with the land that is binding on the Grantor, his/her or their personal representative(s), heir(s), successor(s) and assign(s) requiring the owner of the land to maintain and to use the above water quality pollution control project according to the Cost-Share Agreement and to comply with all of the obligations set forth therein. A copy of the Cost-Share Agreement is available for inspection during regular business hours at the Maryland Department of Agriculture, 50 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.
- 2. The terms of the Cost-Share Agreement include, among other terms and conditions:
  - a. a right of entry upon the land for inspection of the water quality pollution control project by representatives of the MDA or by representatives of the local soil conservation district, and

- b. an obligation to reimburse MDA for the cost of the project for any breach of the terms of the Cost-Share Agreement, and
- c. an obligation to notify MDA upon a change in ownership of the land.
- 3. The obligations imposed by the Cost-Share Agreement shall continue for the term as specified in the Cost-Share Agreement.
- 4. Upon sale or transfer of any interest in the land subject to this NOTICE, the Grantor, his personal representatives, successors and assigns agrees to notify the Maryland Department of Agriculture, Conservation Grants Program, 50 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Annapolis, MD 21401, in writing, of the name and address of the party receiving the interest in the land.
- 5. As used herein the singular form of a word includes both the singular and plural, the plural form of a word includes both plural and singular, and reference to words of certain gender includes reference to all genders.

As Witness the hand(s) and seal(s) of the parties hereto:

#### GRANTOR(S):

(SEAL)	(SEAL)
(SEAL)	(SEAL)
(SEAL)	(SEAL)

## Grantors: State of Maryland, County of \_\_\_\_\_, To Wit:

I hereby certify, that on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_, before me, the subscriber, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared

known to me (or satisfactorily proven) to be the Grantor(s) named in the foregoing agreement and acknowledged that he/she/they executed the same for the purposes therein contained and,in my presence, signed and sealed the same.

As Witness my hand and Notarial Seal.

My Commission Expires

Notary Public

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Secretary, Maryland Department of Agriculture or the Secretary's Approved Designee

Department: State of Maryland, County o	f, To Wit:
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I hereby certify, that on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_, before me, the subscriber, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Jason D. Keppler known to me (or satisfactorily proven) to be the **Secretary of the Department of Agriculture or the Secretary's approved designee,** and acknowledged that he/she executed the same for the purposes therein contained and, in my presence, signed and sealed the same.

As Witness my hand and Notarial Seal.

My Commission Expires

Notary Public

Approved as to Form and Legal Sufficiency

This \_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

Assistant Attorney General

## AFTER RECORDING, PLEASE RETURN TO:

## Agricultural Water Quality Cost Share Program Maryland Department of Agriculture 50 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Room 205 Annapolis, MD 21401