

**CHAPTER SEVEN**  
**FOREST CONSERVATION ACT**

**RECITAL**

The Town of Keedysville, a municipal Corporation existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Maryland is required pursuant to the provisions of the Annotated Code of Maryland, Natural Resources, Subtitle 16, Forest Conservation, §5-1603, Local Forest Conservation Program, to develop a Forest Conservation Program or to assign the obligations under the Forest Conservation Act to the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, with the concurrence of the Board of County Commissioners and the Department of Natural Resources.

The Town of Keedysville, by its duly constituted legislative body has determined to assign said obligations to the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, pursuant to the provisions of said act.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, ENACTED, and ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the said Town that pursuant to the provisions of the Annotated Code of Maryland, Natural Resources, Subtitle 16, §5-1603 (a)(3) Local Forest Conservation Program, the Town of Keedysville, a municipal Corporation with Planning and Zoning Authority, does hereby request to and does assign its obligations under said act which is commonly known and designated as the Forest Conservation Act to the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, (Washington County); and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, ENACTED and ORDAINED;** that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached assignment of obligations under the Forest Conservation Act Agreement; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, ENACTED and ORDAINED;** that the Mayor is further authorized and directed to execute any other instruments and documents necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Ordinance, Resolution, and Agreement.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

Re-enacted July 7, 2003.

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NOTE: The Forest Conservation Act was adopted previously and has been administered and enforced by the County. This Ordinance is in confirmation thereof.

**ASSIGNMENT OF OBLIGATION UNDER  
THE FOREST CONSERVATION ACT**

Pursuant to §5-1603(a)(3) of the Forest Conservation Act, the Municipality of the Mayor and Council of Keedysville (Keedysville) hereby requests to assign its obligations under the Forest Conservation Act to the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland (Washington County).

The Municipality of the Town of Keedysville agrees to abide by the program developed by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland pursuant to the County's obligations under the Forest Conservation Act. The Town of Keedysville further agrees to coordinate its approval activities, if any, for subdivision plans, local government projects, grading and sediment control permits with the Forest Conservation Program of the County. The Town of Keedysville will not approve a subdivision or project plan or issue a grading or sediment control permit until the County has approved the Forest Conservation Plan for that activity.

THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF KEEDYSVILLE

BY: K. Lee Brandenburg, II, Mayor

Pursuant to §5-1603(a)(3) of the Forest Conservation Act, the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland acknowledges its intent to implement a Forest Conservation Program and hereby agrees to accept the assignment of The Mayor and Council of Keedysville obligations under the Forest Conservation Act and to approve Forest Conservation Plans within the Municipality of the Town of Keedysville.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF  
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND