

Applying for a forest harvest permit in Carroll County Maryland

Application for a forest harvest permit in Carroll County is a two-prong process. You must apply to the Carroll County Bureau of Resource Management for the permit, and you must apply to the Carroll County Soil Conservation District for the erosion and sediment control plan.

When applying to the Bureau of Resource Management, you will need the following:

- **Forest Harvest Grading Permit Application** (attached and on County website)
- **Owner / Contractor Affidavit** (attached and on County website; contractor must have Maryland Department of Environment erosion and sediment control responsible personnel certification)
- **Forest harvest plan** (The harvest plan must be prepared by a MD licensed forester and include a description of the forest and proposed harvest operation including pre-harvest basal area and planned post-harvest basal area. The post-harvest basal area shall not fall below 70 sq. ft. unless silvicultural justification is provided.)
- **Map of the property to be harvested** (must include property lines, forest boundaries, haul roads, skid trails, landings, stream buffers, stream crossings, and any other significant features)
- **Forest Conservation Declaration of Intent for Forestry** (attached and on County website)
- **A copy of the operator's Forest Product Operator License and Forest Harvest Erosion & Sediment Control Certification**
- **\$30 check** payable to the Commissioners of Carroll County

Forms must be filled out completely. Signatures on all documents must be original. No copies. If you have questions call 410-386-2506. Once you have compiled all the documents listed above, mail or drop off all materials to:

Carroll County Bureau of Resource Management
225 North Center Street
Westminster, Maryland 21157

When applying to the Carroll County Soil Conservation District, you will need the following:

- **Application – Standard Erosion and Sediment Control Plan for Forest Harvest Operations**
- **Streamside Management Zone Plan** if harvesting in a stream buffer (If a streamside management zone plan is required, the forester will be required to provide written verification of the post-harvest basal area to the Bureau of Resource Management prior to the issuance of a grading completion certificate.)

Forms must be filled out completely. If you have questions call 410-848-8200 ext. 3. Documents can be emailed to bryan.snyder@maryland.gov or mailed or dropped off to:

Carroll County Soil Conservation District
698J Corporate Center Court
Westminster, Maryland 21157