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Anne Arundel County Department of Planning and Zoning 2664 Riva Road Annapolis, MD. 21401

#### RE: 3726 Camp Letts Road, Edgewater MD, 21037 Variance Application – Explanatory Letter

To Whom it May Concern:

Please find submitted herewith the variance application and associated required submittal materials requesting a variance to 1) permit a new home (demo/rebuild) and two (2) decks to have less setbacks than permitted per Article 18-9-203(a), 2) to exceed the 20% maximum lot coverage by structures and parking per Article 18-9-203(b) and 3) to disturb steep slopes in the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area per Article 17-8-201(a)

The site is identified as 3726 Camp Letts Road, in Edgewater. This site is a 6,000 square foot parcel zoned OS. The site is located entirely within the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area designation RCA. The site is currently developed with an existing single-family home with two (2) decks, and a sidewalk and served by an existing septic system, that is to be replaced and private well that is to remain. The site fronts Camp Letts Road and existing 30' private right-of-way improved with 15' of paving. The parcel is 25% wooded and contains steep slopes (1,810 sf) and a steep slope buffer (3,294 sf).

The proposed development consists of demolishing the existing single-family home and two (2) decks and rebuilding a new single-family home with two new (2) decks, driveway, stormwater management and replacement of the septic system. A grading permit has been applied for under G02020125 and the septic system has been approved under PAT02050382. Calculations for existing and proposed lot coverage are provided on the site plans and a brief description is below:

The permitted lot coverage for an OS zoned lot is 20% which is **1,200 sf**. for Structures and Parking.

The existing lot coverage for Structures and Parking is **1,910 sf**, which equates to 35.71% of the site.

The proposed lot coverage for Structures and Parking is **2,143 sf**, which equates to 31.83% of the site.

#### OS Zoning Setbacks

The applicant is first seeking a variance to permit the new (reconstructed) house and decks to have less front, rear and side yard setbacks than what is permitted per Article 18-9-203(a). The setbacks for a structure other than a pier, conservation use, passive recreational use, or beach are 50' from any lot line and 75' from any road right-of-way. This parcel is only 60' x 100' such that all setbacks overlap and there is absolutely no buildable area without relief from the OS setbacks. The proposed house is almost exactly in the same location / footprint as the existing house (a difference of inches). The deck off the rear of the house is being replaced in the same location and size. The deck off the side of the house is being replaced in the same location but smaller, the existing deck on the side of the house crossed over the property line by approximately 1.7', the new deck is proposed at 0.5' off the property line. The proposed requested variance setbacks are:

Setback	Required Setback	Proposed Setback	Variance Requested
Front	75'	11.9'	63.1'
Rear	50'	37.9	12.1′
Side (SW)	50'	0.50′	49.50'
Side (NE)	50'	11.0′	39.0'

(C1) We feel this is the minimum relief necessary given the fact that this house and the decks are being reconstructed in almost the exact same location / footprint as the existing house and decks, a difference of inches. Even though there are a couple of residential homes on this private road, they are zoned OS versus a zoned residential and OS zoning setbacks are greater than residential zoning setbacks. (A1 / B1) Given this parcel's certain unique physical condition such as the size, 60'x100', the larger OS zoning setbacks make it impossible to rebuild anything given the setbacks all overlap such that there is no buildable area. A variance would be required for any reconstruction, as there is no possibility of developing this lot in strict conformance with the County Code or Critical Area Regulations. (A2) This also causes practical difficulties and an unwarranted hardship for the owner, that no home can be constructed without a setback variance especially given there is an existing house currently there. (B3)(i) The house size is very comparable to the other couple of homes on this street so it will not confer any special privileges on the owner, but the new home will in fact be in character with the few existing homes such that it will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood. (B2)(v) Given the fact that none of the existing homes on this street meet all the OS zoning setbacks, granting this variance will grant the owner the same rights that are commonly enjoyed by other properties on this street and it is not detrimental to the public welfare as the demolition and reconstruction will have no effect on the public. (B4) This variance request is not based on conditions or circumstances that are a result of actions by the applicant, he is simply trying to rebuild a new home where the existing house has existed since 1926, long before the zoning and critical area regulations came into effect. (ii) Granting this variance will not impair

the use or development of adjacent property as the new home will be in the same footprint as the existing but will correct the encroachment of the existing deck onto the adjacent parcel, with this development the new deck will be within the property lines. (B5) Granting this variance will not adversely affect water quality, impact fish, wildlife, or plant habitat in the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area as the site will be proposing stormwater management which will enhance the water quality. (B8) A grading permit has been applied for (G02020125) by the applicant. During the review the site was evaluated and implemented site planning alternatives, such as providing stormwater management in accordance with the State Stormwater Management Manual. (iii)(iv) Lastly, given the new house is in the same location / footprint as the existing, the clearing has been minimized to 960 sf. Which most of the clearing is caused by the installation of a new septic system, which is utilizing a new BAT Septic Tank and mitigation is proposed onsite for the clearing consisting of 4 trees and 12 shrubs, this is shown on the grading plans that have been submitted to AACo Permit Office.

#### **Steep Slopes Disturbance**

The applicant is also seeking a variance to Article 17-8-201(a) to permit disturbance to 15% or greater slopes in the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area. The site contains 1,302 sf of slopes over 15%. The proposed site plan indicates 1,073 sf of disturbance onsite to slopes over 15% or greater. Most of the steep slopes are along the western half of the site and the house is fairly centered to the site. Given the site is narrow, pushing the house closer to either side would not lessen the slopes disturbed. Additionally, the house cannot move closer to the road due to the needed (2) car off street parking requirement / driveway and the setback to the existing well. Therefore, the new house and decks are proposed in the same location as the existing house. There is no way to demolish the old house and rebuild the new house in the same location without disturbing the slopes which is why we are requesting a variance to disturb 1,073 sf based on the following:

(C1) We feel this is the minimum relief necessary given the fact that this house and the decks are being reconstructed in almost the exact same location / footprint as the existing house and decks, a difference of inches. A variance would be required for any reconstruction, as the slopes would be disturbed simply by the demolition, the only area not encumbered by steep slopes is where the proposed (and existing) septic are located, and where the existing home sits currently. Therefore, a replacement in the exact footprint is the minimum relief necessary to afford relief for this site. (B1) These slopes (topography) cause an unwarranted hardship especially given there is an existing house currently there and no way to reconstruct it without disturbing them. (B3)(C2i) The house size is very comparable to the other couple of homes on this street so it will not confer any special privileges on the owner, but the new home will in fact be in character with the few existing homes such that is will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood. (B2i)(Cv) Granting this variance will grant the owner the same rights that are commonly enjoyed by other properties on this street, as they also own lots that are

zoned OS and contain steep slopes in the critical area and it is not detrimental to the public welfare as the demolition and re construction will have no effect on the public. (B4) This variance request is not based on conditions or circumstances that are a result of actions by the applicant, he is simply trying to rebuild a house where the old existing house has existed since 1926, long before the zoning and critical area regulations came into effect. (C2ii) Granting this variance will not impair the use or development of adjacent property but will correct the encroachment of the deck onto the adjacent parcel, with this development the new deck will be within the property lines. (B5) Granting this variance will not adversely affect water quality, impact fish, wildlife, or plant habitat in the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area as the site will be proposing stormwater management which will enhance the water quality. (B8) A grading permit has been applied for (G02020125) by the applicant. During the review the site was evaluated and implemented site planning alternatives, such as providing stormwater management in accordance with the State Stormwater Management Manual. (iii)(iv) Lastly, given the new house is in the same location / footprint as the existing, the clearing has been minimized to 960 sf. Which most of the clearing is caused by the installation of a new septic system, which is utilizing a new BAT Septic Tank and mitigation is proposed onsite for the clearing consisting of 4 trees and 12 shrubs, this is shown on the grading plans that have been submitted to AACo Permit Office.

#### Lot Coverage for OS Zoning (Structures and Parking)

The applicant is also seeking a variance to exceed the permitted lot coverage of an OS zoned lot which is 20% for Structures and Parking per Article 18-9-203(b). The code indicates the maximum coverage by structures and parking is 20% of the gross area which equals to 1,200 sf. The existing lot coverage for structures and parking is 1,910 sf or 35.71% and includes an existing house, stoop/porch, and the decks. The proposed lot coverage is 2,143 sf or 31.83% and includes the house, driveway, deck, and stoop/porch. The main difference in the existing and proposed lot coverage is the proposed driveway the existing home does not have a driveway and the owners are forced to park on the grass or out in the road, which is not ideal. The proposed driveway has been minimized as much as possible as it is 10.3' wide at the at the entrance and then opens up to a 2-car parking pad of 18' wide at the garage. We therefore request a variance of 11.83% based on the following:

(C1) We feel this is the minimum relief necessary given the fact that if this site, which has had a house there since 1926, the lot coverage allowed in the RCA is 2,000 sf based on a 6,000 sf lot created before 1985 (25% + 500 sf) the site meets the RCA Lot Coverage Requirement. The permitted lot coverage for OS for Structures and Parking is 20% or 1,200 sf which is not much to build a decent sized house, and driveway. The existing house alone, which is not an overly large home, is over the allowable lot coverage for an OS zoned lot but is not for the Critical area lot coverage allotment. The proposed house is almost exactly the same size as the existing house and a small driveway is needed.

(B1) Not granting this variance to rebuild a house of the same size with a needed driveway would cause unwarranted hardship as the OS zone has a much smaller Lot coverage allotment than a residential zone and given the fact that the Critical Area lot coverage requirement is being met. There is no possibility of rebuilding this old home in conformance with the OS zoning code (although residentially used) especially since the existing home already does not meet the permitted lot coverage by structures and parking. (B3)(C2i) Though the lot coverage is more than is allowed in a OS zone for structures and parking, the lot coverage is not extreme, it is for the same size house that currently exists, a front porch/stoop, a sidewalk, a modest sized driveway, and a smaller deck which is no more than the few other homes on this street have such that is will be in character with the few existing homes and will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood. Allowing the lot coverage by structures and parking to be exceeded will not confer any special privileges on the owner, as the owner is asking to replace what has been there for years, plus an area to park two cars, which is a reasonable request. (B4) This variance request is not based on conditions or circumstances that are a result of actions by the applicant as a home has existed on this parcel since 1926 (26 years prior to the first Zoning Ordinance) and probably should have been zoned residential and had it been zoned residential this variance would not be required. (B2i)(Cv) The main increase in lot coverage is the addition of a driveway which is more of a necessity and not a privilege and something the other homes on the street currently have such that granting this variance will grant the owner the same rights commonly enjoyed by others, and it is not detrimental to the public welfare. (C2ii) Granting this variance will not impair the use or development of adjacent property but will correct the 2' encroachment of the deck onto the adjacent parcel, with this development the new deck will be within the property lines. (B5) Granting this variance will not adversely affect water quality, impact fish, wildlife, or plant habitat in the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area as the site will be proposing stormwater management which will enhance the water quality. (B8) A grading permit has been applied for (G02020125) by the applicant. During the review the site was evaluated and implemented site planning alternatives, such as providing stormwater management in accordance with the State Stormwater Management Manual. (iii)(iv) Lastly, given the new house is in the same location / footprint as the existing, the clearing has been minimized to 960 sf. Which most of the clearing is caused by the installation of a new septic system, which is utilizing a new BAT Septic Tank and mitigation is proposed onsite for the clearing consisting of 4 trees and 12 shrubs, this is shown on the grading plans that have been submitted to AACo Permit Office.

We feel that the variances requested above will not alter the essential character of the existing neighborhood, but in fact will mimic the existing character of the neighborhood as the other homes on this street are also zoned OS and within the Critical Area. We feel that granting these variances will not confer on the applicant any special privileges, as the footprint remains the same. We also feel that denial of the variances will deprive the applicant of the rights commonly enjoyed by other property owners in the neighborhood and cause unwarranted hardship that would deny the applicant

reasonable and significant use of their lot. The owner is not requesting these variances based on conditions or circumstances that are the result of actions by the applicant. And last the granting of these variances will not adversely affect water quality or adversely impact fish, wildlife, or plant habitat in the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area, as the site will be meeting clearing requirements, and the proposed stormwater management will enhance the water quality. Also, a grading permit will be applied for, and stormwater management will be addressed for the entire site in accordance with the State Stormwater Management Manual.

Calculations for critical area clearing and lot coverage are provided on the site plan.

Five copies of the Critical Area report prepared by Wetland Solutions Inc. are included with this application.

We respectfully submit that this legally buildable parcel would not be able to be reasonably redeveloped without the relief requested.

#### Point-by-Point Response to Comments Generated from Pre-File:

#### Zoning:

- Comment 1: The applicants are reminded that, in order for the Administrative Hearing Officer to grant approval of the variances, the proposal must address and meet all of the applicable variance standards provided under Section 18-16-305. The Letter of Explanation should address each of those standards and provide adequate justification for each of the variances required.
- Response: The letter of explanation has a section for each Variance and then each section addresses all Variance Standards in Section 18-16-305.

#### I&P Engineering:

- Comment 1: There are three Rain Barrels proposed for this project. How is the water reused and show the area of the dedicated use? For example, if the water is used for irrigation purposes, need to call out the area on the plan and it should be a dedicated use. The water shall not cause downstream flooding or nuisance flooding to neighboring properties, please show and label.
- Response: The water will be used for irrigation purposes and this comment was addressed with the grading permit by showing an irrigation area and having notes about using the water to water the lawn and or plants.

The SWM will reduce the runoff leaving the site from existing conditions to proposed conditions, therefor the development will not causes downstream flooding or nuisance flooding to neighboring properties, this is better spelled out in the SWM report, within the outfall statement, and showing the reduction on the QP10 computations.

- *Comment 2: Identify site outfall to review the site plan and provide feedback regarding potential impact.*
- Response: The site outfall and outfall statement are both shown on the grading plans and have been reviewed by the engineering department.
- *Comment 3:* Stormwater management will be addressed through three rain barrels.
- Response: True, Stormwater management is being addressed by Rain Barrels.
- Comment 4: All stormwater conveyance systems shall be designed so that no building or habitable structure, either proposed or existing, is flooded or has water impounded against it during the 100-year storm event.
- Response: QF Extreme Flood is not required, as there is no evidence of flooding downstream.
- Comment 5: The site to ensure that any existing downstream flooding including nuisance flooding issues will be exacerbated by the proposed development.
- Response: The SWM will reduce the runoff leaving the site from existing conditions to proposed conditions, there for the development will not causes downstream flooding or nuisance flooding to neighboring properties, this is better spelled out in the SWM report, within the outfall statement, and showing the reduction on the QP10 computations.
- Comment 6: Design professionals should review site runoff and potential (negative, adverse) impacts to neighboring properties, due to changed grades/elevation on a proposed project.
- Response: The SWM will reduce the runoff leaving the site from existing conditions to proposed conditions, there for the development will not causes downstream flooding or nuisance flooding to neighboring properties, this is better spelled out in the SWM report, within the outfall statement, and showing the reduction on the QP10 computations.

*Comment 7:* The utility for the site will be reviewed during the grading permit.

- Response: The Utilities for the site are being reviewed by Health Department since the site is served by well and septic, the Health Department has approved the septic plan for this development.
- *Comment 8:* The stormwater management Engineering design review approval for the site shall occur at the grading permit stage.
- Response: Acknowledged
- *Comment 9:* Based on the plan provided, it appears that the property will be served by a private septic and well.
- Response: This is true.
- Comment 10: The above is provided as courtesy review comments at the pre-file stage to review and consider the design plan; additional reviews and detailed reviews are at the grading permit stage.

#### Response: Acknowledged.

Thank you for your consideration of this request and please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or if you require any additional information.

Sincerely, **Development Facilitators, Inc.** 

Candice Bateman Project Manager

Cc: Steve Andraka, P.E., DFI

	DA1
Permit Number	
Project Number	
Project Name	3726 Camp Letts
StructureAddress	3726 Camp Letts
Structure City	Edgewater
State	Maryland
Structure Zip	21037
Total Drainage Area	
(Acres)	0.14
<b>RCN - Pre Construction</b>	70
RCN - Post Construction	72
RCN - Woods	55
Total Number of BMPs	3
PE Required (see Note	
1)	16"
PE Addressed (see Note	
2)	2.1"
MD 8-Digit HUC (see	
Note 4)	0
USGS 12-Digit HUC	0

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SUMMARY TABLE FOR DA 1								
Minimum Sizing Criteria	Symbol	Volume Required (acre-feet)	SWM Practices	Notes				
Water Quality Volume	(WQ <sub>v</sub> )	0.006	Rain Barrels					
Recharge Volume	(Re <sub>v</sub> )	0.006	Rain Barrels					
Channel Protection Volume	(Cp <sub>∨</sub> )	0.006	Rain Barrels	Cpv has been addressed since the reduced RCN for developed conditions after implementing ESD's reflects "existing conditions".				
Overbank Flood Protection	(0		N/A	Qp has been addressed since the reduced RCN for developed conditions after implementing ESD's reflects "existing conditions".				
Extreme Flood	(Q <sub>f</sub> )	N/A	N/A	DA 1 - No evidence of flooding downstream.				

							DEVICE	IMPERVIOUS AREA	IMPERVIOUS	MD NORTH		WQv		
		MDE BMP	MDE BMP	CONSTRUCTION			DRAINAGE	DRAINING TO	ACRES RESTORED	COORD	MD EAST COORD	(Cu.Ft.) (See		
STORM_ID	STRU_NAME	CLASS	TYPE	PURPOSE	ON or OFF SITE	LAND USE	AREA (acres)	DEVICE (Sq.Ft.)	(See Note 3)	(NAD83 - FT)	(NAD83 - FT)	Note 5)	Maintenance Responsibility	Comments
Blank - County Use	Rain Barrel (SWMP #1)	E	MRWH	NEWD	ON		0.012947658	564		550591	1427389	163	Individual Homeowner(Residential)	
	Rain Barrel (SWMP #2)	E	MRWH	NEWD	ON		0.00922865	402		550515	1427353	71	Individual Homeowner	
	Rain Barrel (SWMP #3)	E	MRWH	NEWD	ON		0.007667585	334		550584	1427418	97	Individual Homeowner	

#### **STORMWATER REGULATION NOTE**

THIS PLAT OR GRADING PERMIT #G02010125 WAS REVIEWED UNDER THE 2010 REGULATIONS FOR STORMWATER MANAGEMENT. STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PRACTICES WILL BE PROVIDED FOR THIS SITE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 16, SEC. 4 AND THE FINAL PLAN ON FILE WITH THE OFFICE OF PLANNING AND ZONING. ESD TO THE MEP WAS ACHIEVED THROUGH: RAIN BARRELS

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT NOTE

1. WATER QUALITY (WQV) - DRAINAGE AREA 1A IS BEING ADDRESSED BY UTILIZING RAIN BARRELS. DRAINAGE AREA 1B IS BEING ADDRESSED BY UTILIZING RAIN BARRELS. DRAINAGE AREA 1C IS BEING ADDRESSED BY UTILIZING RAIN BARRLS. DRAINAGE AREA 1D CONTAINS THE REMAINING IMPERVIOUS AND WILL THEREFORE BE OVERMANAGED FOR IS DRAINAGE AREAS 1A, 1B AND 1C.

2. RECHARGE VOLUME (REV) - DRAINAGE AREA 1A IS BEING ADDRESSED BY UTILIZING RAIN BARRELS. DRAINAGE AREA 1B IS BEING ADDRESSED BY UTILIZING RAIN BARRELS. DRAINAGE AREA 1C IS BEING ADDRESSED BY UTILIZING RAIN BARRLS. DRAINAGE AREA 1D CONTAINS THE REMAINING IMPERVIOUS AND WILL THEREFORE BE OVERMANAGED FOR IS DRAINAGE AREAS 1A, 1B AND 1C

3. CHANNEL PROTECTION VOLUME (CPV) - CPV HAS BEEN ADDRESSED SINCE THE REDUCED RCN FOR DEVELOPED CONDITIONS AFTER IMPLEMENTING ESD'S REFLECTS "EXISTING CONDITIONS"

4. OVER BANK PROTECTION (QP) - QP HAS BEEN ADDRESSED SINCE THE REDUCED RCN FOR DEVELOPED CONDITIONS AFTER IMPLEMENTING ESD'S REFLECTS "EXISTING CONDITIONS".

5. EXTREME FLOOD (QF) - QF IS NOT REQUIRED AS THERE IS NO EVIDENCE OF FLOODING DOWNSTREAM.

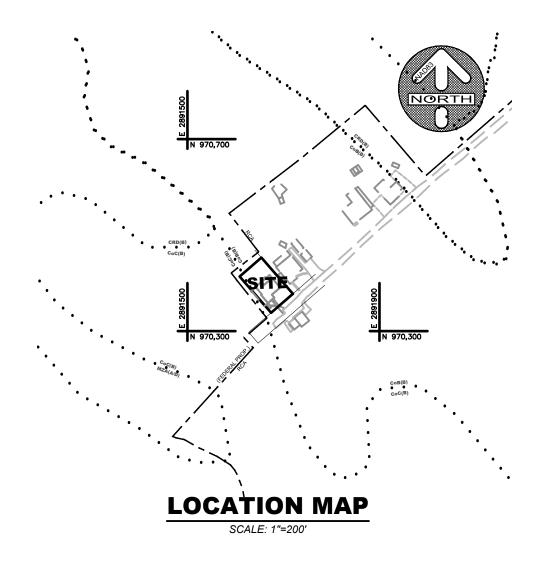
#### **OUTFALL STATEMENT**

A FIELD INVESTIGATION OF THE OUTFALL WAS PERFORMED IN JUNE, 2024 BY DFI ENGINEERING.

THE SITE OUTFALL IS LOCATED ALONG THE WESTERN PROPERTY LINE. THE DRAINAGE LEAVES THE SITE IN A SHALLOW CONCENTRATED FASHION AND FLOWS ACROSS ADJACENT LOTS. THE RUNOFF LEAVING THE SITE HAS NOT CHANGED. SINCE THE DRAINAGE PATTERN HAS BEEN MAINTAINED LEAVING THE SITE AND THERE IS NO INCREASE IN THE POST DEVELOPMENT RUNOFF AN ANALYSIS OF THE DOWNSTREAM CONVEYANCE SYSTEM IS NOT REQUIRED, AND THE OUTFALL IS DEEMED ADEQUATE. THE OUTFALL DOES NOT SHOW ANY SIGNS EROSION AT THIS TIME NOR WILL DOWNSTREAM FLOODING OR EROSION OCCUR AS A RESULT OF DEVELOPMENT OF THIS SITE.

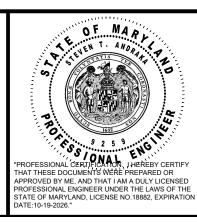
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EDGEWATER, MD 21037	date	_			
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443-336-4245 ED@ROOFINGBYELITE.COM	date				
	APPROVED <u>STA</u> 09/24 date				

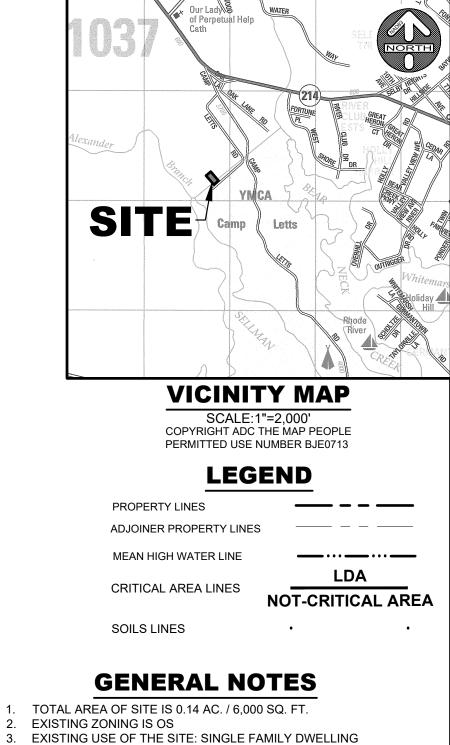
# **VARIANCE PLAN 3726 CAMP LETTS RD**





ENGINEERS-SURVEYORS-PLANNERS CONSTRUCTION MANAGERS I-97 BUSINESS PARK 1127 BENFIELD BLVD, SUITE K MILLERSVILLE, MD 21108 WWW.DFIENGINEERING.COM 443-308-2100 FAX 443-308-2108





- 4. PROPOSED USE: SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING
- 5. THE SITE IS WITHIN THE CRITICAL AREA (RCA)
- 6. THE SITE IS WITHIN THE FOLLOWING SENSITIVE AREAS:
- 6.1. RCA 6.2. OS
- 7. WATERSHED: RHODE RIVER WATERSHED 8. THE SITE IS NOT WITHIN THE 100 YEAR FLOODPLAIN AS SHOWN ON
- FIRM # 24003C0243F
- 9. PLAT REFERENCE: N/A 10. DEED REF: 14186 / 362
- 11. COORDINATES AND DIRECTIONS SHOWN HEREON ARE REFFERRED TO THE MARYLAND STATE PLANE COORDINATE SYSTEM, NAD 83 AS DETERMINED FROM REAL TIME KINEMATIC SURVEYING AS BROADCAST BY THE LEICA SMARTNET NETWORK.
- 12. ELEVATIONS SHOWN HEREON ARE REFFERRED TO THE NORTH AMERICAN VERTICAL DATUM OF 1988 (NAVD 88), AS DETERMINED BY R.T.K. G.P.S. OBSERVATIONS AS BROADCASTED BY THE LEICA SMARTNET NETWORK (GEOID18)
- 13. ALL CONSTRUCTION SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS STANDARD DETAILS AND STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR CONSTRUCTION SEPTEMBER 1988 AND THE 1994 MARYLAND STANDARDS ANO SPECIFICATIONS FOR SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL 14. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR COORDINATION
- OF HIS CONSTRUCTION WITH THE CONSTRUCTION BY THE OTHER CONTRACTORS.
- 15. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR REPAIRING AND REPLACING ANY EXISTING MAIN SIDEWALKS, DAMAGED OR REMOVED DURING CONSTRUCTION.

### SITE ANALYSIS

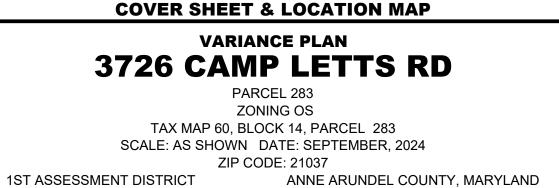
- 1. CUT: 300 CU. YARDS 2. FILL: 300 CU. YARDS 0 CU. YARDS SPOIL/BORROW
- 3. TOTAL AREA STRUCTURALLY STABILIZED IS 0.04 AC. / 1,801 SQ.FT. 4. TOTAL AREA VEGETATIVELY STABILIZED IS 0.10 AC. / 4,165 SQ.FT.
- 5. TOTAL AREA OF DISTURBANCE IS 0.14 AC. / 5,966 SQ.FT. 6. PREDOMINANT SOIL TYPES: COLLINGTON-WIST COMPLEX 2 TO 5 PERCENT SLOPES (B), COLLINGTON-WIST COMPLEX 5 TO 10 PERCENT SLOPES.

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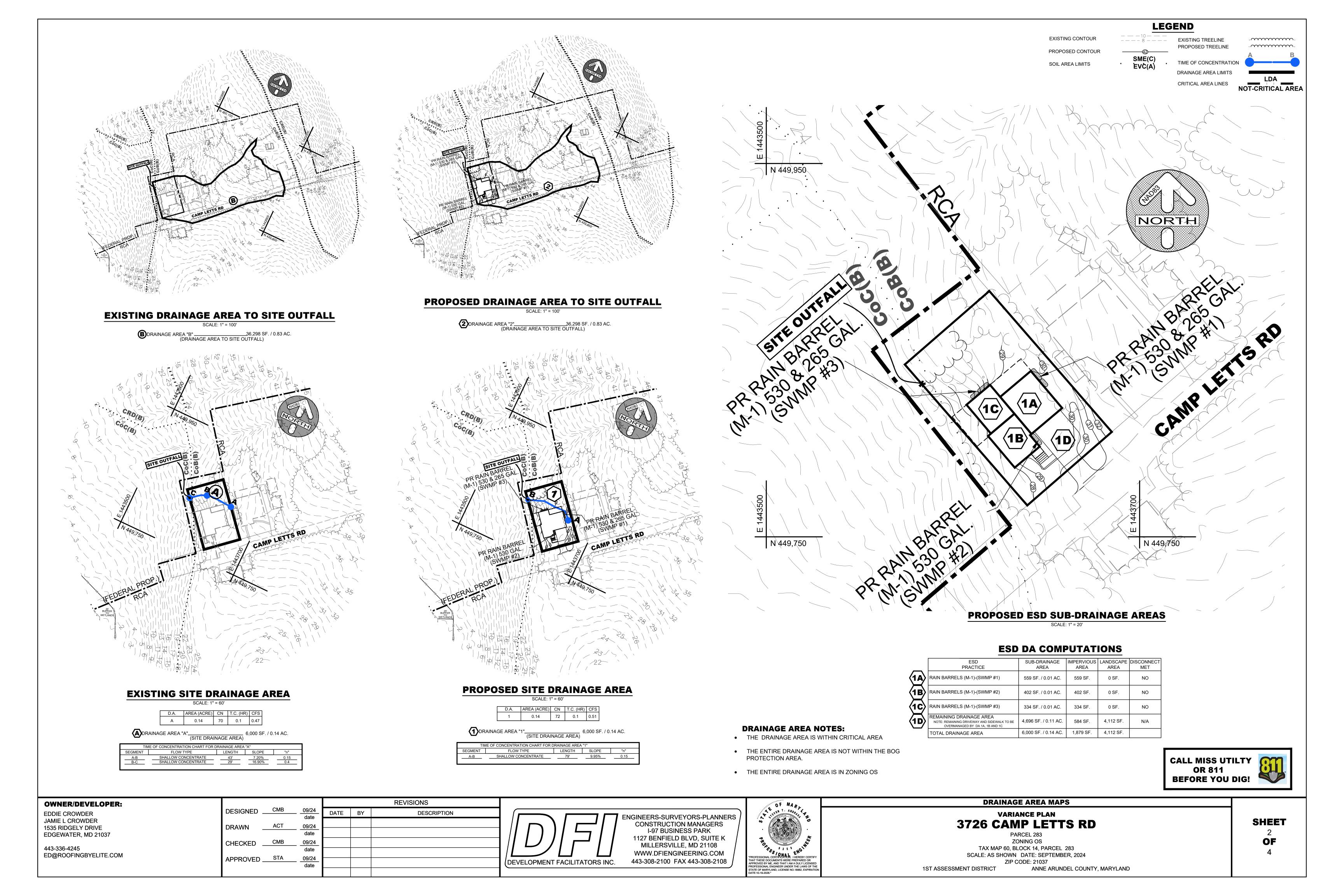
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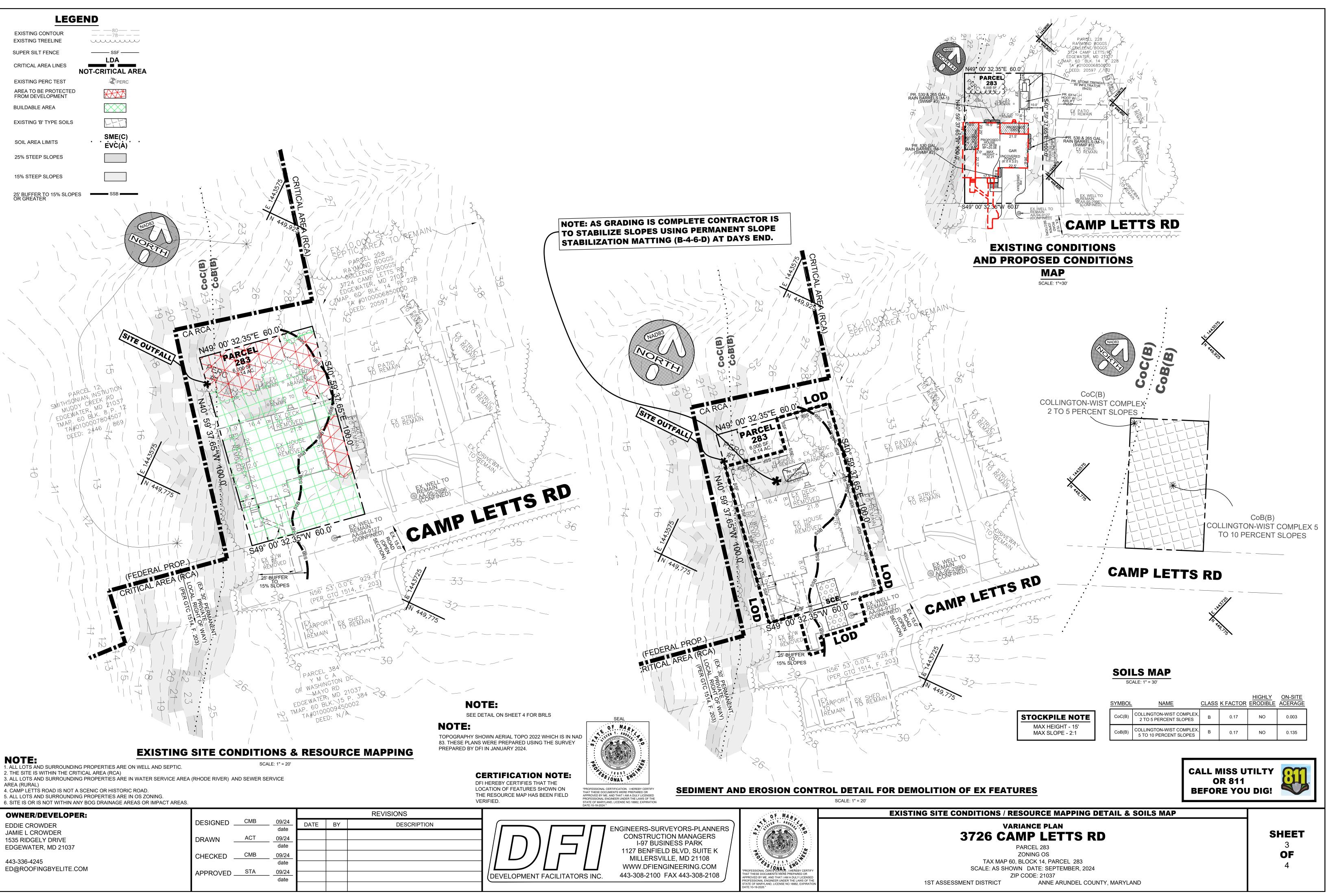
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- DEVELOPMENT CONCEPT PLAN & EXISTING/PROPOSED OVERLAY DETAIL

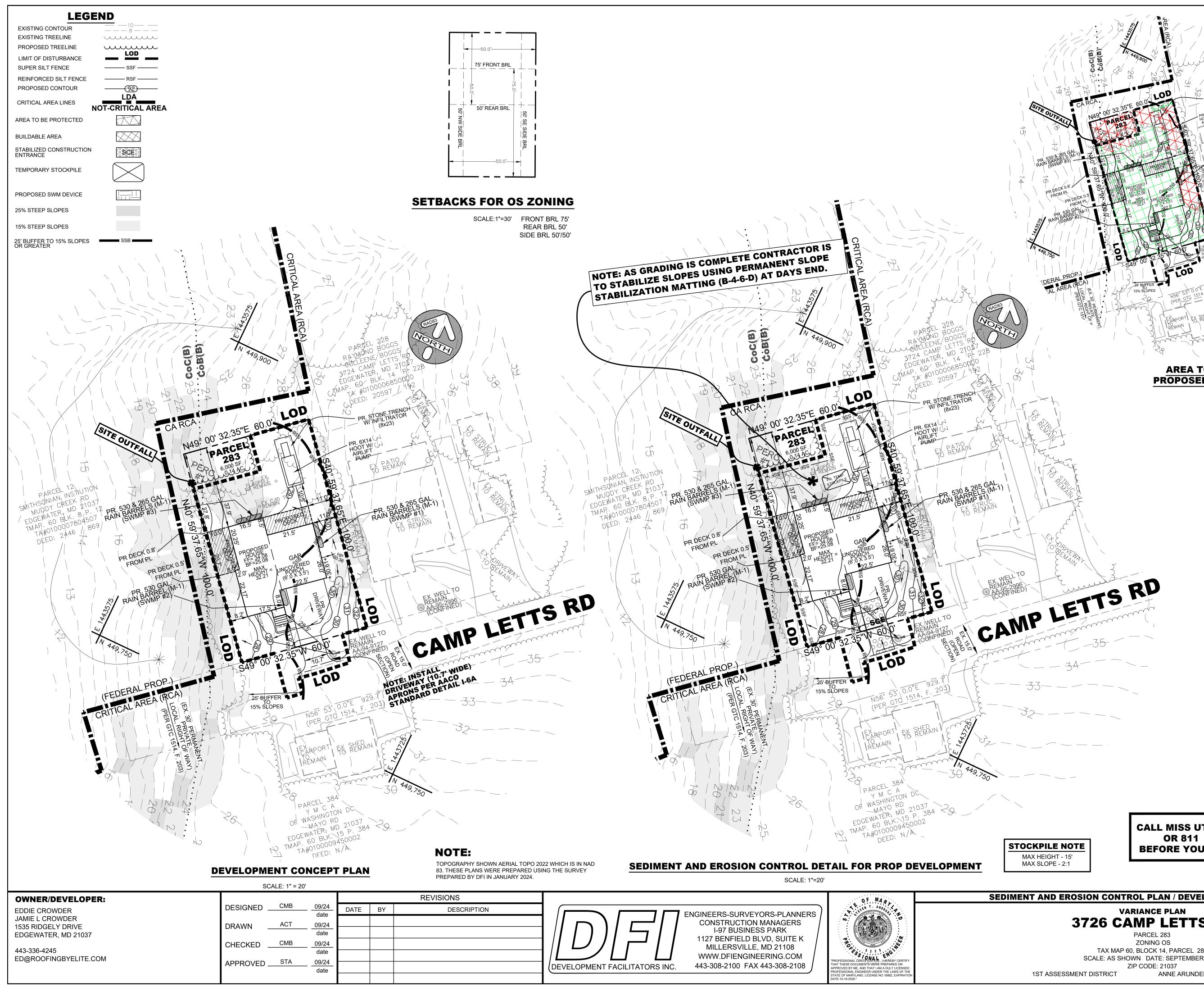


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			date	



### AREA TO BE PROTECTED FOR **PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT DETAIL**

CAMP LETTS RD

SCALE:1"=30'

### SITE CALCULATIONS

PARCEL 283 6,000 SF. / 0.14 AC. OS ZONING 6,000 SF. / 0.14 AC. SOILS (B) 6,000 SF. / 0.14 AC. RCA 6,000 SF. / 0.14 AC.

EXISTING LOT COVERAGE EX. HOUSE 1,322 SF.

(TO BE REMOVED)

EX. SIDEWALK 116 SF. (TO BE REMOVED)

EX. DECK (NOT LOT COVERAGE) 588 SF. TOTAL EXISTING LOT COVERAGE 1,438 SF

(23.97% OF SITE)

TOTAL LOT COVERAGE BY STRUCTURES & PARKING 1,910 SF. (HOUSE & DECK)

PROPOSED LOT COVERGE

PR. HOUSE 1,321 SF. (INCLUDING UNCOVERED PORCH)

PR. DRIVEWAY 435 SF.

PR. SIDEWALK 45 SF.

PR DECK (NOT LOT COVERAGE) 387 SF.

TOTAL PROPOSED LOT COVERAGE 1,801 SF. / 0.04 AC. (30.02% OF THE SITE)

TOTAL LOT COVERAGE BY STRUCTURES & PARKING 2,143 SF.

(HOUSE, DRIVEWAY, DECK)

PERMITTED LOT COVERAGE BY STRUCTURES & PARKING 1,200 SF (20% OF SITE)

> PERMITTED LOT COVERAGE BY RCA (25% + 500) = 2000 SF.

EX. WOODS ON SITE 1,509 SF. (25% OF SITE)

PROPOSED CLEARING ONSITE 960 SF. (64% OF WOODS ON SITE)

PERMITTED CLEARING 6,534 SF.

15% OR GREATER SLOPES ON SITE 1,302 SF. 15% OR GREATER SLOPES DISTURBED ON SITE 1,073 SF.

25' BUFFER TO STEEP SLOPES ON SITE 3,450 SF. 25' BUFFER TO STEEP SLOPES DISTURBED ON SITE 3,139 SF.

TOTAL DISTURBANCE 5,966 SF. / 0.14 AC.

EXISTING USE: SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING PROPOSED USE: SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING

THE SITE IS WITHIN THE CRITICAL AREA (RCA)

PROPOSED HEIGHT: TO BE DETERMINED FROM CONSTRUCTION PLANS (MAXIMUM HEIGHT 32')

SEDIMENT AND EROSION CONTROL PLAN / DEVELOPMENT CONCEPT PLAN VARIANCE PLAN **3726 CAMP LETTS RD** PARCEL 283

ZONING OS

TAX MAP 60, BLOCK 14, PARCEL 283

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SCALE: AS SHOWN DATE: SEPTEMBER, 2024 ZIP CODE: 21037 **1ST ASSESSMENT DISTRICT** ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

#### CRITICAL AREA COMMISSION CHESAPEAKE AND ATLANTIC COASTAL BAYS 1804 WEST STREET, SUITE 100 ANNAPOLIS, MD 21401

#### PROJECT NOTIFICATION APPLICATION

#### **GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION**

Jurisdiction:	Anne Arunde	County	Date: 6-21-24		
					FOR RESUBMITTAL ONLY
Tax Map #	Parcel #	Block #	Lot #	Section	Corrections
60	283	60			Redesign
					No Change
					Non-Critical Area
					*Complete Only Page 1
Tax ID: 0	01-000-03521400	)			General Project Information
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Project Name	e (site name, su	bdivision nam	e, or other)	3726 Cam	b Letts Road
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Project locati	ion/Address	3726 Camp	Letts Road		
					Zip 21037
City Edg	ewater				Zip 21037
Local case m	umber				
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Applicant:	Last name	Crowder			First name Edward
Company					
Application	Type (check a	ll that apply):			
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Building Per	mit	X		Variance	X
Buffer Mana	gement Plan			Rezoning	
Conditional V	Use			Site Plan	
Consistency	Report			Special Except	tion
Disturbance	> 5,000 sq ft			Subdivision	
Grading Perr	nit	X		Other	
Local Jurisd	liction Contact	Information			
Local out ise					
Last name	AACo Zoning	, Administratic	on Section	First name	
Diana #	410-222-743	7	Parma	nse from Comr	nission Required ByTBD
Phone #			Kespo		
Fax #				Hearing date	TBD

#### SPECIFIC PROJECT INFORMATION

#### Describe Proposed use of project site: Demo / rebuild single family dwelling w/ 2 decks, driveway & swm in CA RCA Yes Yes **Growth Allocation** Intra-Family Transfer **Buffer Exemption Area** Grandfathered Lot **Project Type (check all that apply)** Recreational Commercial Redevelopment **Consistency Report** Residential Industrial Shore Erosion Control Institutional Water-Dependent Facility Mixed Use Other

#### SITE INVENTORY (Enter acres or square feet)

	Acres	Sq Ft	Total Disturbed Area 0.14 5,966
IDA Area			
LDA Area			
RCA Area	0.14	6,000	# of Lots Created
Total Area	0.14	6,000	

	Acres	Sq Ft		Acres	Sq Ft
Existing Forest/Woodland/Trees	0.03	1,509	Existing Lot Coverage	0.03	1,438
Created Forest/Woodland/Trees	0	0	New Lot Coverage	0.04	1,801
Removed Forest/Woodland/Trees	0.02	960	Removed Lot Coverage	0.03	1,438
			Total Lot Coverage	0.04	1,801

#### VARIANCE INFORMATION (Check all that apply)

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	Acres	Sq Ft		Acres	Sq Ft
Buffer Disturbance	0	0	Buffer Forest Clearing	0	0
Non-Buffer Disturbance	0	0	Mitigation	0	0
Variance Type			Structure		
Buffer		A	cc. Structure Addition		
Forest Clearing		Ba	urn 🗌		
HPA Impact					
Lot Coverage		D	welling X		
Expanded Buffer		D	welling Addition		
Nontidal Wetlands		G	arage		
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# **3726 Camp Letts Road**

Anne Arundel County, Maryland WSSI #P.WSI0001101

Critical Area Report

June 25, 2024

Prepared for: Edward Crowder 1535 Ridgely Drive Edgewater, Maryland 21037

Prepared by:



1131 Benfield Boulevard, Suite L Millersville, MD 21108 Tel: 410-672-5990 Email: contactus@wetlands.com www.wetlands.com

#### 1. Introduction

The applicant proposes to construct an addition to single-family residence at 3726 Camp Letts Road, in Edgewater, Anne Arundel County, Maryland (Exhibit 1). This construction also involves the tear-down of the existing house to the foundation and the reconstruction of the first and second floors, and side and rear wooden decks. The property is identified as Parcel 283, Block 14, Tax Map 60, and is zoned OS.

#### 2. <u>Project Description and Existing Site Conditions</u>

The subject property covers 6,000 square feet (0.14 acres) of land entirely located within the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area (critical area). Currently, the lot is comprised of a residential home, a driveway, mowed lawn, a small amount of mixed hardwood forest, and landscape trees. The property is located adjacent to Sellman Creek; however, there is approximately 250 feet of forested open space located between this lot and the shoreline. Steep slopes exist on the site and are depicted on the *Environmentally Sensitive Areas Plan* dated June 2024 (Attachment 1), prepared by DFI.

Although the lot is within close proximity of Sellman Creek, no impacts to jurisdictional wetlands, 25-foot wetland buffers, streams, tidal waters or the 100-year floodplain are proposed for this project. Therefore, authorization from the Maryland Department of the Environment and/or the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will not be required.

There is 1,438 square feet of existing lot coverage currently on the lot and the proposed lot coverage for this redevelopment is 1,801 square feet. The project, as proposed, will increase the total lot coverage by 363 square feet, as noted on <u>Attachment 1</u>.

Stormwater management (SWM) will be provided onsite. Stormwater management will be provided using strategically placed rain barrels and vegetation plantings. In addition, stone trench infiltration will be utilized to redirect stormwater flow from impervious services to reduce stormwater discharge. This will allow for the stormwater to infiltrate into the soil.

According to the updated Anne Arundel County soil survey (<u>Exhibit 2</u>), two (2) soil types have been mapped on the property: Collington-Wist complex, 2 to 5 percent slopes (CoB) and Collington-Wist complex, 5 to 10 percent slopes (CoC). Both soil types are classified as non-hydric soils.

Through the use of the stormwater management strategies listed above, the applicant will minimize any impacts on water quality and habitat during construction.

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#### 3. <u>Habitat Protection Areas</u>

#### Non-tidal Wetlands

A cursory wetland delineation conducted by Marius Flemmer, WPIT, on June 5, 2024 revealed that jurisdictional non-tidal wetlands do not exist on or within 25 feet of the lot.

#### Tidal Waters/Wetlands

This lot is located approximately 250 feet from tidal waters, and the proposed addition and reconstruction of the house will not impact tidal waters or wetlands.

#### 100-foot Buffer and Expanded Buffer

The 6,000-square foot lot is located outside of the 100-foot buffer and Expanded Buffer.

#### Rare, Threatened & Endangered Species

A formal request for an environmental review for rare, threatened, or endangered species was submitted to the Maryland Department of Natural Resources on June 5, 2024. A copy of the request letter can be found in (Exhibit 3) of this report. No rare, threatened, or endangered species were observed while performing the critical area study field work.

#### Steep Slopes

According to Article 17, Title 1 of the Anne Arundel County Code, steep slopes are defined as 25% or greater slope that has an on-site and off-site contiguous area that is greater than 5,000 square feet over 10 feet vertical as measured before development. Steep slopes exist within the study area and are depicted on <u>Attachment 1</u>. The proposed project will disturb 1,073 square feet of existing steep slopes.

#### 4. <u>Existing Vegetative Cover</u>

A small portion of the site (northwestern corner) is considered mixed-hardwood forest dominated by tulip poplar (*Liriodendron tulipifera*), southern red oak (*Quercus falcata*), and American sweetgum (*Liquidambar styraciflua*) ranging from 18 - 30 inches in diameter. The understory contains red maple (*Acer rubrum*), black gum (*Nyssa sylvatica*), American beech (*Fagus grandifolia*), and American sweetgum while the relatively open herbaceous layer is dominated by Virginia creeper (*Parthenocissus quinquefolia*), Japanese stiltgrass (*Microstegium vimineum*), Japanese barberry, oriental bittersweet (*Celastrus orbiculatus*), Japanese honeysuckle (*Lonicera japonica*), and ground ivy (*Glechoma hederacea*). Several invasive species were observed in the herbaceous layer. The perimeter of the existing house was surrounded by garden beds and mowed lawn containing several types on ornamental plant species as well as an abundance of Japanese stiltgrass. Additionally, two planted fuzzy deutzia (*Deutzia scabra*) exist behind the house to the northeast. There is currently no developed woodland on the site, however, 960 square feet of the

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1,509 square feet of existing, onsite forest is proposed to be cleared. This is well under the maximum clearing limit of 6,534 square feet.

#### 5. <u>Wildlife</u>

No wildlife was observed during the site visit. However, The Maryland Department of Natural Resources has identified this site as having potential Forest Interior Dwelling Species (FIDS) habitat (Exhibit 4).

#### 6. Date of Field Work

June 5, 2024 – Marius Flemmer, Wetland Studies and Solutions, Inc.

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Michael J. Klebasko, P.W.S. Manager – Maryland Environmental Sciences

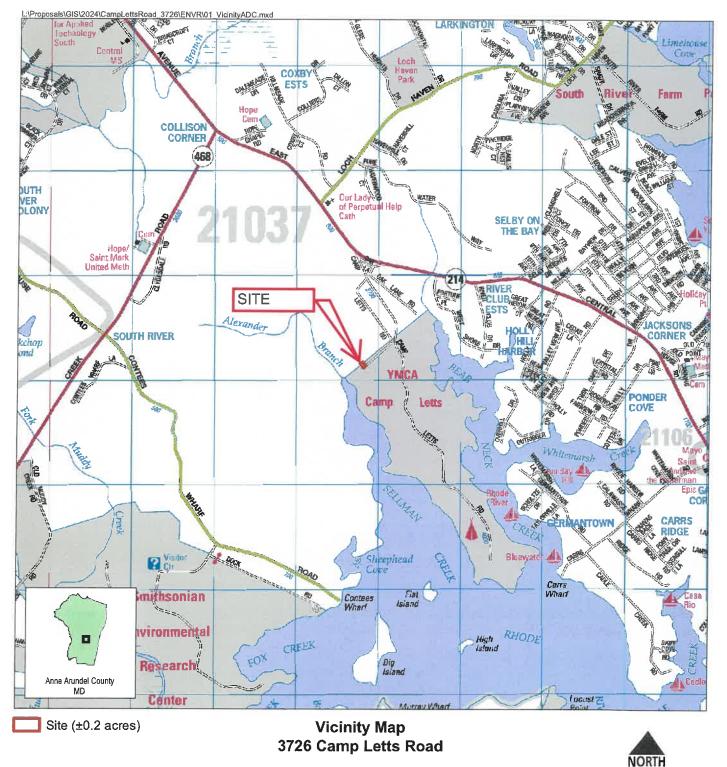
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# **EXHIBIT 1**



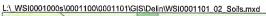
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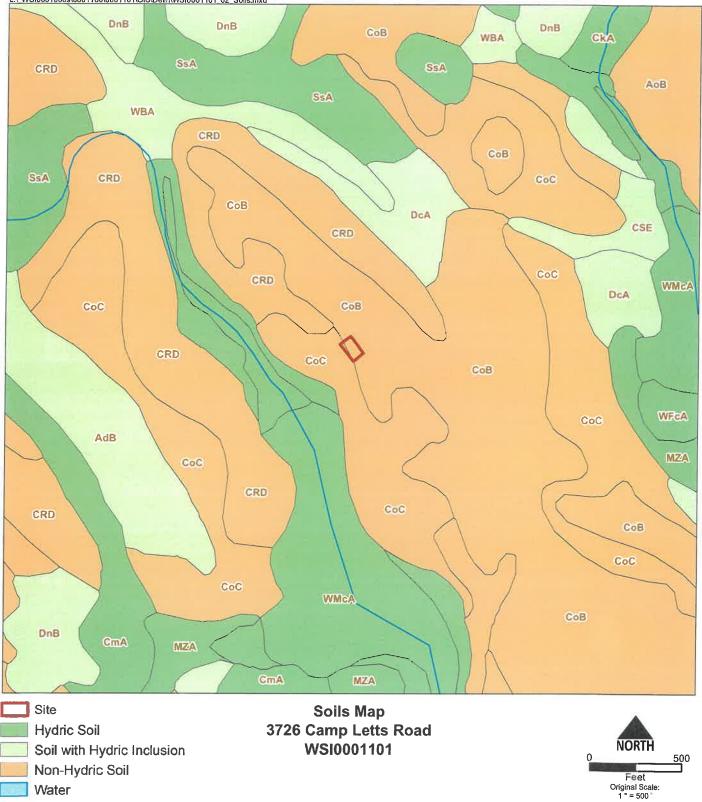
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# EXHIBIT 2





Major Land Resource Area: Northern Coastal Plain, 149A Land Resource Region: Northern Atlantic Slope Diversified Farming Region, S Source: Anne Arundel County Digital Data, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 2021

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### **EXHIBIT 3**



Wes Moore, Governor Aruna Miller, Lt. Governor Josh Kurtz, Secretary David Goshorn, Deputy Secretary

June 27, 2024

Mr. Michael J. Klebasko Wetland Studies and Solutions, Inc. 1131 Benfield Boulevard Suite L Millersville, Maryland 21108

#### RE: Environmental Review for 3726 Camp Letts Road, Edgewater, Anne Arundel County, Maryland.

Dear Mr. Klebasko:

The Wildlife and Heritage Service has no official records for State or Federal listed, candidate, proposed, or rare plant or animal species within the project area shown on the map provided. As a result, we have no specific concerns regarding potential impacts to such species or recommendations for protection measures at this time. If the project changes in the future such that the limits of proposed disturbance or overall site boundaries are modified, please provide us with revised project maps and we will provide you with an updated evaluation.

Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to review this project. If you should have any further questions regarding this information, please contact me at <u>lori.byrne@maryland.gov</u> or at (410) 260-8573.

Sincerely,

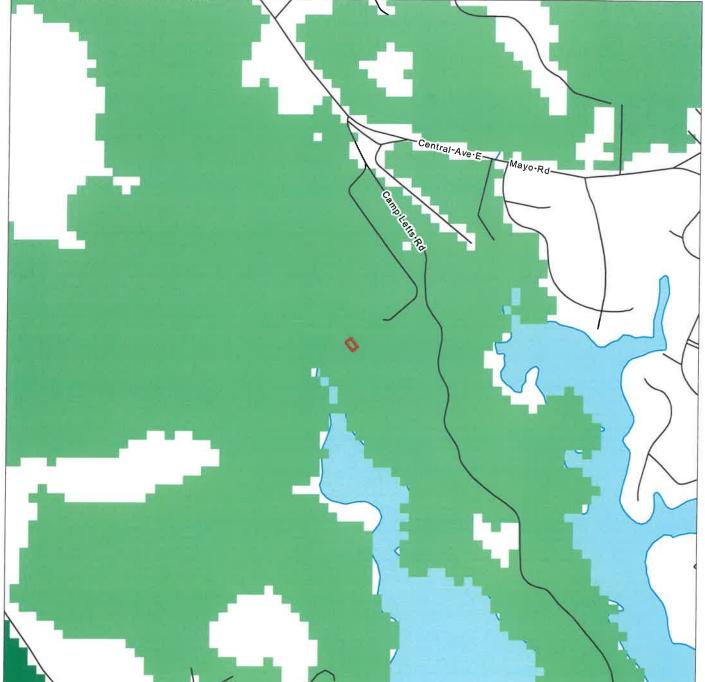
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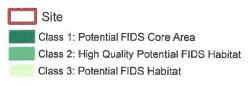
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### **EXHIBIT 4**





Potential Habitat for Forest Interior Dwelling Species (FIDS) 3726 Camp Letts Road



Source: MD Department of Natural Resources (DNR); February 2013

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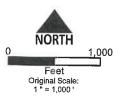
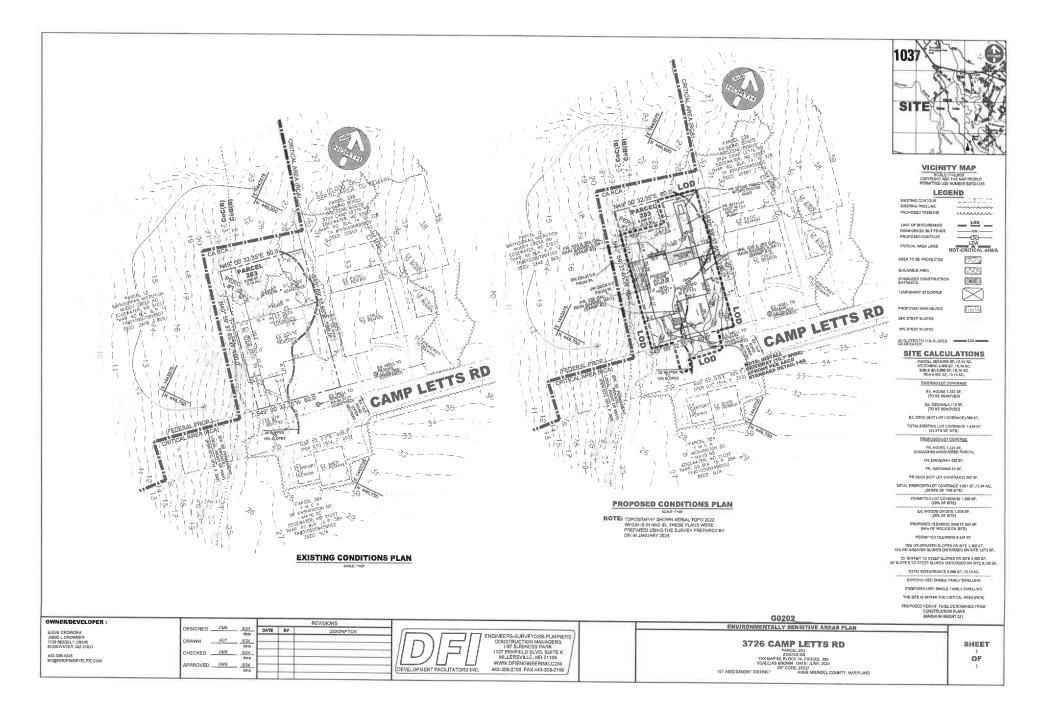


Exhibit 4

# **ATTACHMENT 1**





#### OFFICE OF PLANNING AND ZONING

#### **CONFIRMATION OF PRE-FILE**

PRE-FILE #:	2024-0063-P
DATE:	07/08/2024
<b>OPZ STAFF:</b>	Jennifer Lechner
	Kelly Krinetz
I&P STAFF:	Habtamu Zeleke

**APPLICANT/REPRESENTATIVE:** Edward & Jamie Crowder / Development Facilitators Inc.

EMAIL: <u>ed@roofingbyelite.com</u> / <u>nicole@dfiengineering.com</u>								
SITE LOCATION: 3	726 Camp Letts Road, Edgew	LOT SIZE: 6,000 SF						
ZONING: OS	CA DESIGNATION: RCA	BMA: n/a	BUFFER: n/a	APPLICATION TYPE: Variance				

The applicants are proposing to demolish the existing single-family home and two (2) decks, and rebuild a new single-family home with two (2) new decks, driveway, stormwater management and replacement of the septic system. A grading permit has been applied for under G02020125 and the septic system has been approved under PAT02050382.

Variances requested:

- 1) permit a new home (demo/rebuild) and two (2) decks to have less setbacks than permitted per Article 18-9-203(a)
- 2) to exceed the 20% maximum lot coverage by structures per Article 18-9-203(b)
- 3) to disturb steep slopes in the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area per Article 17-8-201(a)

#### COMMENTS

#### **Zoning Administration Section:**

The applicants are reminded that, in order for the Administrative Hearing Officer to grant approval of the variances, the proposal must address and meet all of the applicable variance standards provided under Section 18-16-305. The Letter of Explanation should address each of those standards and provide adequate justification for each of the variances required.

#### **OPZ Critical Area Team:**

No objection provided the proposed SWM is approved by I&P.

#### **I&P** Engineering:

1. There are three Rain Barrels proposed for this project. How is the water reused and show the area of the dedicated use? For example, if the water is used for irrigation purposes, need to call out the area on the plan and it should be a dedicated use. The water shall not cause downstream flooding or nuisance flooding to neighboring properties, please show and label.

2. Identify site outfall to review the site plan and provide feedback regarding potential impact.

3. Stormwater management will be addressed through three rain barrels.

4. All stormwater conveyance systems shall be designed so that no building or habitable structure, either proposed or existing, is flooded or has water impounded against it during the 100-year storm event.

5. The site to ensure that any existing downstream flooding including nuisance flooding issues will be exacerbated by the proposed development.

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6. Design professionals should review site runoff and potential (negative, adverse) impacts to neighboring properties, due to changed grades/elevation on a proposed project.

7. The utility for the site will be reviewed during the grading permit.

8. The stormwater management Engineering design review approval for the site shall occur at the grading permit stage.

9. Based on the plan provided, it appears that the property will be served by a private septic and well.

10. The above is provided as courtesy review comments at the pre-file stage to review and consider the design plan; additional reviews and detailed reviews are at the grading permit stage.

#### INFORMATION FOR THE APPLICANT

Section 18-16-301 (c) Burden of Proof. The applicant has the burden of proof, including the burden of going forward with the production of evidence and the burden of persuasion, on all questions of fact. The burden of persuasion is by a preponderance of the evidence.

A variance to the requirements of the County's Critical Area Program may only be granted if the Administrative Hearing Officer makes affirmative findings that the applicant has addressed all the requirements outlined in Article 18-16-305. Comments made on this form are intended to provide guidance and are not intended to represent support or approval of the variance request.

A preliminary plan checklist is required for development impacting environmentally sensitive areas and for all new single-family dwellings. A stormwater management plan that satisfies the requirements of the County Procedures Manual is required for development impacting environmentally sensitive areas OR disturbing 5,000 square feet or more. State mandates require a developer of land provide SWM to control new development runoff from the start of the development process.