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Memorandum

To: Erosion and Sediment Control Consultants

From: Bruce Young, District Manager

Date: June 16, 2023

RE: New & Revised Erosion & Sediment Control Fees - Effective July 1, 2023

On July 1, 2023 a new erosion and sediment control fee schedule will go into effect. Some existing fees will increase and certain approvals that we have never changed fees for will now have fees associated with them. The type of plan/review and associated fee are as follows:

Erosion and Sediment Control Exemption	\$75.00/plan
Standard Plan for lots in subdivision covered by an overall E&S plan	\$75.00/plan
Standard Plan for disturbance less than ½ an acre	\$100.00/plan
Standard Plan for Forest Harvest Operations	\$150.00/plan
Development Review Application (Formerly TEC)	\$150.00/plan
Engineered Plans - Step 1 (Concept) for SWM process	\$500.00/plan
Engineered Plans - Step 2 (Site Development) for SWM process	
• Application Fee	\$200.00/plan
• Disturbed Area Review Fee < 10 ac (minimum 1 ac)	\$300.00/acre
• Disturbed Area Review Fee ≥ 10 ac	\$200.00/acre
Engineered Plans - Step 3 (Final) for SWM process	
• Parent Parcel Acreage < 5 acres	\$250.00/plan
• Parent Parcel Acreage ≥ 5 acres	\$500.00/plan
Engineered Plan Re-Review Fees (assessed after 3 reviews)	\$500.00/review
Engineered Plan Reapprovals	\$500.00/plan

Pre-Construction Meeting Fees (based on disturbed area)	
• 5,000 sq. feet up to 1 acre	\$250.00
• 2 acres	\$350.00
• 3 acres	\$450.00
<i>For each additional acre, add \$100.00 - all disturbances should be rounded to the nearest tenth acre.</i>	
Ex: 3.42 ac = 3.4 ac (first acre \$250.00 + (\$100.00 x 2.4) = \$490.00)	
Ex: 7.65 ac = 7.7 ac (first acre \$250 = (\$100.00 x 6.7) = \$920.00)	

Some of these fees will be collected at the Land Use & Growth Management Office. I anticipate that a majority of the exemptions, standard plans and all of the development review fees including the SWM Step 1 fee will be collected at LUGM. The Step 2 engineered plan fees, the Step 3 final approval, and all pre-construction fees will still be collected at the St. Mary's SCD Office.

Having to revise fees is never an easy decision, but in order to still provide the same level of service to St. Mary's County, the St. Mary's Soil Conservation District Board had to increase fees to cover our erosion and sediment control program expenses. The fee increases were deliberated for over 9 months and evenly distributed across all of the erosion and sediment control services we provide so that not one sector had to shoulder the expense.

Please feel free to contact the office if you have any questions regarding calculating the new fees.

Thank you.