MONTGOMERY COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
STAFF REPORT

Address: 4901 Brookeville Rd., Brookeville  Meeting Date: 07/25/2018
Resource: Bon Secours  Report Date: 07/18/2018
Master Plan Site #23/54

Applicant: Amy and Angelo Falcone  Public Notice: 07/11/2018
Review: HAWP  Tax Credit: N/A
Case Number: 23/54-18A  Staff: Michael Kyne

PROPOSAL: New construction of an accessory structure, installation of a new sign.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:
Staff recommends that the HPC approve the HAWP application.

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION
SIGNIFICANCE: Master Plan Site
STYLE: Italianate
DATE: 1861
Except from Places from the Past:

*Bon Secours survives as an excellent example of an intact, mid-19th-century rural estate. The striking Italianate-style dwelling, set well back from Brookeville Road, is reached by a semi-circular, tree-lined drive, and is surrounded by cultivated fields. Nicholas R. Griffith, who named the property "Hollywood" for its trees, built the impressive Italianate-style dwelling in early 1861. A well-established tobacco broker in Baltimore, Griffith apparently intended to use the house as a summer retreat. With the outbreak of the Civil War, however, the family, described by historian Roger Brooke Farquhar as Southern sympathizers, occupied the house immediately upon its completion. The frame structure and wood siding are said to be constructed of fir imported by "Clipper" from the West Coast, thence hauled from Baltimore by oxen.*

*Bon Secours, which consists of a principal, three-bay main block and contemporaneous rear wing to the north, is set upon an uncoursed stone foundation and has a cross gable roof. Original German siding remains intact at the second story of the front façade. Unusual in Montgomery County are the Italianate-style round-arched windows. Cohesively grouped behind the main dwelling are several outbuildings, including two corncribs, two barns, a stone pumphouse, a detached kitchen, and a poultryhouse.*

**BACKGROUND**

The applicants appeared before the Commission for a preliminary consultation at the June 27, 2018 HPC meeting. At that time, the applicants were proposing to construct a 100’ L x 14’ H x 40’ W greenhouse at the rear of the subject property. Staff supported the applicants’ proposal, but found the application incomplete. The Commission completely supported the applicants’ proposal at the preliminary consultation and instructed the applicants to provide all the information outlined in the June 27, 2018 staff report to complete their HAWP application.

**PROPOSAL**

- Construction of a 100’ L x 14’ H x 40’ W greenhouse at the rear of the subject property. Installation of a new sign.

**APPLICABLE GUIDELINES**

In accordance with Section 1.5 of the Historic Preservation Commission Rules, Guidelines, and Procedures (Regulation No. 27-97) ("Regulations"), in developing its decision when reviewing a Historic Area Work Permit application for an undertaking at a Master Plan site the Commission uses section 24A-8 of the Montgomery County Code ("Chapter 24A"), the *Secretary of the Interior’s Standards and Guidelines for Rehabilitation* ("Standards"), and pertinent guidance in applicable master plans. [Note: where guidance in an applicable master plan is inconsistent with the Standards, the master plan guidance shall take precedence (section 1.5(b) of the Regulations).] The pertinent information in these documents, incorporated in their entirety by reference herein, is outline below.
Sec. 24A-8. Same-Criteria for issuance.

(b) The commission shall instruct the director to issue a permit, or issue a permit subject to such conditions as are found to be necessary to insure conformity with the purposes and requirements of this chapter, if it finds that:

(1) The proposal will not substantially alter the exterior features of an historic site or historic resource within an historic district; or

(2) The proposal is compatible in character and nature with the historical, archeological, architectural or cultural features of the historic site or the historic district in which an historic resource is located and would not be detrimental thereto or to the achievement of the purposes of this chapter; or

(3) The proposal would enhance or aid in the protection, preservation and public or private utilization of the historic site or historic resource located within an historic district in a manner compatible with the historical, archeological, architectural or cultural value of the historic site or historic district in which an historic resource is located; or

(c) It is not the intent of this chapter to limit new construction, alteration or repairs to any 1 period or architectural style.

Secretary of Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation

The Secretary of the Interior defines rehabilitation as “the act or process of making possible a compatible use for a property through repair, alterations, and additions while preserving those portions or features, which convey its historical, cultural, or architectural values.” Because the property is a Master Plan Site, the Commission’s focus in reviewing the proposal should be the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation. The Standards are as follows:

2. The historic character of a property shall be retained and preserved. The removal of historic materials or alteration of features and spaces that characterize a property shall be avoided.

9. New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction shall not destroy historic materials that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the old and shall be compatible with the massing, size, scale, and architectural features to protect the historic integrity of the property and its environment.

10. New additions and adjacent or related new construction shall be undertaken in such a manner that if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment would be unimpaired.

STAFF DISCUSSION

The applicants propose to construct a 100’ L x 40’ W x 14’ H greenhouse at the rear of the subject property (behind the historic house and existing accessory structures). The greenhouse will be constructed from metal and glass, with its primary (south) elevation being mostly glass. The rear (north) elevation of the greenhouse will be built into a berm. A geothermal system will be installed under the greenhouse, and a ground-mounted solar array will be installed behind the greenhouse.
Staff fully supports the applicants’ proposal, finding that the location, scale and massing, and design of the proposed greenhouse is compatible with the subject property. The proposed greenhouse is consistent with the agricultural characteristics of the subject property and will encourage the continuation of the original use of the subject property. At the preliminary consultation, staff found that the applicants’ proposal was incomplete, and provided a list of required information to complete the HAWP application. The required information, which is listed below, has since been provided. Additional information has also been provided for the proposed ground-mounted solar array. Staff finds that the provided information is sufficient to complete the application.

- Information regarding excavation.
- Information regarding the proposed creation of a berm on the north side of the proposed greenhouse.
- A storm water management plan.

Information has also been provided for a proposed new sign, which has already been installed. The sign is mounted from the lowest branch of a tree at the eastern entrance to the property. The proposed sign is a 38” diameter round sign made from powder coated aluminum with copper flashing. Staff finds that the sign is compatible with the subject property and does not detract from character-defining features.

After full and fair consideration of the applicant’s submission staff finds the proposal as being consistent with the Criteria for Issuance in Chapter 24A-(b) 1 and 2, having found the proposal is consistent with the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation outlined above.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the Commission approve the HAWP application under the Criteria for Issuance in Chapter 24A-8(b), (1), (2), and (3) having found that the proposal will not substantially alter the exterior features of the historic resource and is compatible in character with the district and the purposes of Chapter 24A;

and with the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation;

and with the general condition that the applicant shall present the 3 permit sets of drawings, if applicable, to Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) staff for review and stamping prior to submission for the Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services (DPS) building permits;

and with the general condition that final project design details, not specifically delineated by the Commission, shall be approved by HPC staff or brought back to the Commission as a revised HAWP application at staff’s discretion;

and with the general condition that the applicant shall notify the Historic Preservation Staff if they propose to make any alterations to the approved plans. Once the work is completed the applicant will contact the staff person assigned to this application at 301-563-3400 or michael.kyne@montgomeryplanning.org to schedule a follow-up site visit.
APPLICATION FOR
HISTORIC AREA WORK PERMIT

Contact Email: amy@bellantaFarm.com
Contact Person: Amy Falcone

Tax Account No.: 

Name of Property Owner: Amy & Angela Falcone
Daytime Phone No.: 301-332-8225

Address: 4901 Brookeville Rd, Brookeville, MD 20833

Contractor: 
Contractor Registration No.: 
Agent for Owner: N/A
Daytime Phone No.: 

LOCATION OF BUILDING/PREMISES
House Number: 4901
Street: Brookeville Rd
Town/City: Brookeville
Nearest Cross Street: Zion
Lot: 32420
Block: 711
Subdivision: 
Parcel: 852

PART ONE: TYPE OF PERMIT, ACTION AND USE

A. CHECK ALL APPLICABLE:
- Construct
- Extend
- Alter/Renovate
- AC
- Slab
- Room Addition
- Porch
- Deck
- Shed
- Move
- Install
- Week/Remodel
- Solar
- Fireplace
- Woodburning Stove
- Single Family
- Revision
- Repair
- Removable
- Fence/Wall (complete Section 4)
- Other: Agricultural greenhouse

B. Construction cost estimate: $250,000

C. If this is a renewal of a previously approved active permit, see Permit #:

PART TWO: COMPLETE FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION AND EXTENSION/ADDITIONS

2A. Type of sewage disposal: 01 WSSC 02 Septic
3A. Type of water supply: 01 WSSC 02 Well
3B. Other: Not really required

PART THREE: COMPLETE ONLY FOR FENCES, RETAINING WALL

3A. Height: _____ feet _____ inches

3B. Indicate whether the fence or retaining wall is to be constructed on one of the following locations:
- On party line/property line
- Entirely on land of owner
- On public right of way/ easement

I hereby certify that I have the authority to make the foregoing application, that the application is correct, and that the construction will comply with plans approved by all agencies listed and I hereby acknowledge and accept this to be a condition for the issuance of this permit.

Amy Falcone
Signature of owner or authorized agent

Date: 6/4/18

Approved:
For Chairman, Historic Preservation Commission

Disapproved:
Signature:
Date:

Application/Permit No.: 

File Date: 

Data Issued:

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR INSTRUCTIONS
THE FOLLOWING ITEMS MUST BE COMPLETED AND THE
REQUIRED DOCUMENTS MUST ACCOMPANY THIS APPLICATION.

1. WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT
a. Description of existing structure(s) and environmental setting, including their historical features and significance:

Manor home 1805
Bank Barn w/ shed
Corn crib
Chicken coop
Smoke house
Garage type shed
Old Barn in field
historical trust # M-23-54

b. General description of project and its effect on the historic resources, the environmental setting, and, where applicable, the historic district:
This is a new structure out behind all out buildings
and adjacent to old barn that can no longer
be used or insured due to its condition.
This is an aquaponics greenhouse 4000sf (40x100)

2. SITE PLAN
Site and environmental setting, drawn to scale. You may use your plat. Your site plan must include:

a. the scale, north arrow, and date;
b. dimensions of all existing and proposed structures; and
c. site features such as walkways, driveways, fences, ponds, streams, trash dumpsters, mechanical equipment, and landscaping.

3. PLANS AND ELEVATIONS
You must submit 2 copies of plans and elevations in a format no larger than 11" x 17". Plans on 8 1/2" x 11" paper are preferred.

a. Schematic construction plans, with marked dimensions, indicating location, size and general type of walls, window and door openings, and other fixed features of both the existing resources and the proposed work.

b. Elevations (facades), with marked dimensions, clearly indicating proposed work in relation to existing construction and, when appropriate, context. All materials and fixtures proposed for the exterior must be noted on the elevations drawings. An existing and a proposed elevation drawing of each facade affected by the proposed work is required.

4. MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS
General description of materials and manufactured items proposed for incorporation in the work of the project. This information may be included on your design drawings.

5. PHOTOGRAPHS
a. Clearly labeled photographic prints of each facade of existing resource, including details of the affected portions. All labels should be placed on the front of photographs.

b. Clearly label photographic prints of the resource as viewed from the public right-of-way and of the adjoining properties. All labels should be placed on the front of photographs.

6. TREE SURVEY
If you are proposing construction adjacent to or within the drip line of any tree 6" or larger in diameter (at approximately 4 feet above the ground), you must file an accurate tree survey identifying the size, location, and species of each tree of at least that dimension.

7. ADDRESSES OF ADJACENT AND CONFRONTING PROPERTY OWNERS
For all projects, provide an accurate list of adjacent and confronting property owners (not tenants), including names, addresses, and zip codes. This list should include the owners of all lots or parcels which adjoin the parcel in question, as well as the owner(s) of lot(s) or parcel(s) which lie directly across the street/highway from the parcel in question.

PLEASE PRINT IN BLUE OR BLACK INK OR TYPE THIS INFORMATION ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE.
PLEASE STAY WITHIN THE GUIDES OF THE TEMPLATE, AS THIS WILL BE PHOTOCOPIED DIRECTLY ONTO MAILING LABELS.
PEPCO Power Line EASEMENT

PLANTED FIELD

PLANTED FIELD

greenhouse

SOLAR

OLD BARN

TRACTOR SHED

CHICKEN COOP

BANK BARN

CORN CRIB

SPRING HOUSE

HOUSE

SMOKE HOUSE

ALAN MACH
7622 S. 329TH PL.
RIVER FALLS, WISCONSIN 54022
(715) 746-6800

SIGN PLACED ON LOWEST BRANCH OF TREE AT END OF DRIVE

MT ZION RD

BROOKVILLE ROAD

SIGN POSTED
EXISTING CONDITIONS

Bella Vita Farm
4901 Brookeville Road
Brookeville, Maryland

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION
I CERTIFY THAT THESE DOCUMENTS WERE PREPARED OR APPROVED BY ME, AND THAT I AM A DULY LICENSED ARCHITECT UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, LICENSE NUMBER 15693, EXPIRATION DATE: 2-27-2019

1" = 200'-0"
FREDERICK COUNTY SETBACKS

MODULE DIMENSIONS: 41.5" X 62.6"

SOLAR ARRAY SIZED FOR OPTIMUM SITE USAGE

SOLAR ARRAY SIZED TO MAINTAIN A 25 AMP BACKUP BATTERY

APPROXIMATE LOCATION OF GREENHOUSE

APPROXIMATE PATH OF NEW ELECTRIC SERVICE

FRONT OF HOME

12' 60" 40'

Bella Vita Farm
4901 Brookeville RD
Brookeville, MD 20833

THE INSTALLATION OF SOLAR ARRAYS AND PHOTOVOLTAIC POWER SYSTEMS SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MOST RECENT NATIONAL ELECTRIC AND BUILDING CODES AND STANDARDS, AS AMENDED BY LOCAL JURISDICTION.

System Summary

Option 1:
- 108 - 310W Solar Modules
- SolarEdge StoreEdge Inverter System
- w/ LG Chem Backup Battery
- 33.45kW DC System Size

Option 2:
- 18 - 310W Solar Modules
- SolarEdge StoreEdge Inverter System
- w/ LG Chem Backup Battery
- 5.5kW DC System Size

Array Details:
- Tilt: 25 Degrees
- Azimuth: 180 Degrees

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION:
I hereby certify that these documents were prepared or approved by me, and that I am a duly licensed professional engineer under the laws of the State of Maryland.
License No. 50235, Expiration Date: 12-08-2018

21st Century Power Solutions
418 Cella Ave
Catonsville, MD 21228
410.418.5650
www.21cps.com

Cover and Site Plan

7/10/2018

Cover and Site Plan

Bella Vita Farm
4901 Brookeville RD
Brookeville, MD 20833

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These drawings, specifications, and designs are the property of 21st Century Power Solutions, LLC. They shall not be copied or used for or with any other work other than the specific project for which they have been developed without our written consent.
SOLAR ARRAY MAXIMUM HEIGHT 10'

GREENHOUSE

10' 25°

18'-6" 12' 40'

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DESIGN ELEMENTS FOR THE BELLA VITA ENERGY EFFICIENT GREENHOUSE

Dimensions of the Excavation for the 4000 square foot greenhouse

The excavation will be rectangular and will be as close as possible in size to the 40 ft X 100 ft horizontal (on ground) profile for the greenhouse. The excavation pit depth will be approximately 9 feet in depth. There will be an additional 12-inch-wide excavation along the perimeter to a depth of about 3 feet, for the foundation footings, for the framing of the greenhouse.

The image below shows a depiction of the look of the excavation pit for the geothermal system, before thermal mass is added. The thermal mass serves an insulative and heat transfer purpose, as well as providing a stable underlayment for the slab of the greenhouse. The thermal mass will consist of rocks and asphalt millings. Both of these materials are sustainable and eco-friendly options.

The image below shows a depiction of the way the geothermal system below the greenhouse will interact with the air in the greenhouse. The berm will be on the back side (north) where this image shows a wall.
Description and Dimensions of the Berm to be Constructed on the North Side of the Greenhouse Building

The berm will be constructed primarily from the soil that is excavated for the pit that will be located under the footprint of the greenhouse. It will be approximately 10 feet high as it borders the north wall of the greenhouse. It will then ascend to the north from the greenhouse at a slope of approximately 1/4 feet and an angle of about 74 degrees. This slope will make the berm extend north from the greenhouse approximately 28 feet. The berm will cover the entire north wall of the greenhouse and will be approximately 100 feet in length. It will then tastefully slope down to the base level of the greenhouse, on the east and west corners, in a manner similar to what you see in the image below.

The image below is an example of a greenhouse built with a berm on its north wall and slopes down at an angle on its east and west edges (you only see the east edge here). This is similar to what we will be doing with the west side of the berm for the Bella Vita Greenhouse. Due to the doors on the east side, the slope will not extend as far southward as in this picture, only eastward. Finally, our berm will be landscaped unlike this picture.
Similar to the greenhouse above, the peak height for the Bella Vita Greenhouse will not be immediately bordering the bermed north wall, but will be about 8-10 feet southward from the north wall, as seen in the image below (this greenhouse is missing the berm that will go to the rear - north).

As seen in the following image, the berm will be planted primarily with native plants and will be maintained through aesthetically attractive grooming. It is likely that we will also plant perennial shrubs and/or add herb and root vegetable beds.
Stormwater Management for the Greenhouse

Stormwater coming off the roof of the greenhouse to the south will be collected in gutters and recycled back into the greenhouse to either be used as water for our growing systems or for mass storage to improve energy efficiency. Water hitting the glazing of the greenhouse on the north will be collected in a gutter on the surface of the berm and will be distributed evenly across the berm to be absorbed into the soil.

The grading plan for the greenhouse will slope the land away from it on the east, west and south sides so that stormwater runoff will be directed to be absorbed into vegetated areas surrounding the Greenhouse and to ditches alongside paths and the roadway into the Greenhouse. There will not be a need for a separate retention pond for the Greenhouse, and great efforts will be made to make very efficient use of the stormwater in the surrounding area through the grading plan.
BELA VITA FARM
EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL PLAN VIEW
SCALE 1" = 50'
2 FT CONTOURS
Plan View

NOT TO SCALE

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Date | Revision | Drawn By | Review By
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02/12/2015 | Original | MZ |
July 11, 2018

Mrs. Amy Falcone  
C/O Bela Vita Farm  
4901 Brookeville Rd., Brookeville, MD 20833

Dear Mrs. Falcone:

The purpose of this letter is to provide instructions for the installation of erosion control practices for the disturbed areas (0.5 acres) around the proposed greenhouse and solar photovoltaic (pvc) array to be constructed on the Bela Vita Frm located at 4901 Brookeville Road, Brookeville, Maryland 20833.

- The installation of the greenhouse and PVC array and the stabilization of the disturbed areas near the barn will not require any fill to be imported to the site. Installation of a berm on the North side of the structure and the diversion / swale on the South side will be built with fill derived from the excavation of the greenhouse site. If any fill does end up being needed to complete this project please contact the Montgomery Soil Conservation District (MSCD) office for a plan revision. These agricultural practices will be completed by October 31, 2018.

Site preparation and the sediment control guidelines:

- Contact the MSCD 72 hours before excavation/clearing is to begin.
- Contact Miss Utility at least 72 hours before any excavation or clearing.
- Install the silt fence as described in attached detail. See attached aerial map for location.
- Keep soil, mud, and debris off of the county roadway at all times. If woody vegetation, debris, or soil is displaced onto the road surface, it must be removed immediately.
- If needed, install a stabilized construction entrance. See attached detail. The Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services sediment control inspectors can levy fines if dirt or mud is from construction sites is tracked onto the roads.
- Seed and stabilize with straw mulch all exposed disturbed areas as soon as possible in the construction process. This should occur as soon as a section is completed.
- Slope Stability - Fill slopes shall be graded as flat as possible where feasible and reasonable. Slopes of 3:1 or flatter are recommended.
• Soil must be well compacted and graded properly. Place fill evenly in maximum 8 inch lifts and compact each lift with a minimum of four complete passes of a sheepsfoot roller, vibratory compaction equipment or track machine, as per landowner’s discretion. Measures shall be installed on stable slopes (straw) after seeding.

• Divert runoff away from the greenhouse with a 15 ft wide x 0.7 ft deep grassed swale / diversion. See detail.

• Use erosion control matting in swale after it has been seeded to a minimum width of 10 ft. wide. Install using sod staples as as per detail.

• Topdress disturbed areas with a minimum of 6 inches of topsoil compacted at least by one pass by a roller or excavation equipment.

• Adequate moisture shall be maintained in the seeded area during the germination period.

• Roof runoff from greenhouse to be captured in storage tank to be utilized in greenhouse structure. Contact the MSCD for size and design guidance or utilize private engineer.

Sincerely,

Paul Meyer
Engineering Technician, MSCD

Enclosures:
Silt Fence Detail
Stabilized Construction Entrance Detail
Grassed Waterway / Diversion Detail
Erosion Control Matting Detail
Aerial Plan View Map

CC: John Zawitoski, District Manager MSCD
Charlotte Brewster, USDA/ NRCS District Conservationist Montgomery County
Rick Brush, Montgomery DPS Land Development Chief
Margaret Urban, Montgomery DPS Sediment Control Field Manager

Please, contact the Montgomery Soil Conservation District 72 hours before beginning the proposed land disturbance activity at 301-590-2855.
Conservation Plan

Crop

Tract: 776

Conservation Crop Rotation (328)

Grow crops in a planned rotation to protect the soil from erosion; help control weeds, insects, and diseases; and improve the physical condition of the soil. Noxious weeds (Johnsongrass, shattercane, Canada thistle, plumeless thistle, musk thistle, bull thistle) must be controlled as required by State Law and not allowed to go to seed. The following rotation is planned on these fields: 2 years of corn for grain, 1 year of full season soybeans, and 1 year of small grains.

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Integrated Pest Management (595)

Manage infestations of weeds, insects and disease to reduce adverse effects on plant growth and crop production, and to prevent or mitigate pesticide risks to soil, water, air, plans, animals, and people. Implement an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) plan that includes pest prevention, avoidance, monitoring, and suppression strategies developed in accordance with University of Maryland Extension guidelines. Pesticide application records shall be maintained in accordance with the Maryland Department of Agriculture's requirements.

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Nutrient Management (590)

Manage the amount, form, placement and timing of plant nutrient application to protect surface and groundwater from runoff and/or leaching of nutrients. A Nutrient Management Plan (NMP) will be developed and followed for each crop to be grown on each field. This NMP will be developed by a consultant licensed and certified by the Maryland Department of Agriculture. The Maryland Water Quality Improvement Act of 1998 requires all nutrient management plans to address both nitrogen and phosphorus as the limiting nutrients. The NMP will account for all sources and forms of plant nutrients applied for plant growth and production. The amount of all nutrients applied must be based on a current analysis of the soil's potential to produce a realistic yield. All fields will have current soil test analysis of not more than 3 years old. Plans should be implemented as written, and updated at least every 3 years or whenever there is a major change in the farming operation. Records will be kept which document, at a minimum; crops & crop acres, animal type and number, sources of nutrients applied including pounds/tons of commercial fertilizer and/or animal manure applied and how nutrients may have been incorporated. Records will note when the crops were planted, harvested, and the yields were obtained for each individual field or management unit.

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Residue and Tillage Management, No-Till (329)

A continuous no-till system is used for all crops grown on these fields to control erosion, improve water quality, and improve soil organic matter. This practice leaves the soil and crop residue mostly undisturbed except where seed and fertilizer are placed in the ground. Tillage implements that result in significant disturbance (such as moldboard plows, chisels, and disks) are not be used with this system. Weeds will be controlled primarily by herbicides.

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The owner, Montedoro LLC, operates fields 3 and 4. Pleasant Valley Farm Partnership LLP operates fields 1 and 2.
CERTIFICATION OF PARTICIPANTS

Amy Falcone
MONTEDORO LLC
DATE

PLEASANT VALLEY FARM
DATE

CERTIFICATION OF:

DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST
CHARLOTTE BREWSTER
DATE

CONSERVATION DISTRICT
MONTGOMERY SCD
DATE

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1. Length - minimum of 50' (*30' for single residence lot).

2. Width - 10' minimum, should be flared at the existing road to provide a turning radius.

3. Geotextile fabric (filter cloth) shall be placed over the existing ground prior to placing stone. **The plan approval authority may not require single family residences to use geotextile.

4. Stone - crushed aggregate (2" to 3") or reclaimed or recycled concrete equivalent shall be placed at least 6" deep over the length and width of the entrance.

5. Surface Water - all surface water flowing to or diverted toward construction entrances shall be piped through the entrance, maintaining positive drainage. Pipe installed through the stabilized construction entrance shall be protected with a mountable berm with 5:1 slopes and a minimum of 6' of stone over the pipe. Pipe has to be sized according to the drainage. When the SCE is located at a high spot and has no drainage to convey a pipe will not be necessary. Pipe should be sized according to the amount of runoff to be conveyed. A 6’ minimum will be required.

6. Location - A stabilized construction entrance shall be located at every point where construction traffic enters or leaves a construction site. Vehicles leaving the site must travel over the entire length of the stabilized construction entrance.
CROSS-SECTION

4" OVERLAP OF MATTING STRIPS WHERE TWO OR MORE STRIP WIDTHS ARE REQUIRED. ATTACH STAPLES ON 18" CENTERS

STAPLE OUTSIDE EDGE OF MATTING ON 2" CENTERS

TYPICAL STAPLES NO. 11 GAUGE WIRE

6" 10"
DETAIL E-1 SILT FENCE

6 FT MAX. CENTER TO CENTER
36 IN. MIN. FENCE POST LENGTH DRIVEN MIN. 16 IN INTO GROUND
16 IN. MIN. HEIGHT OF WOVEN SLIT FILM GEOTEXTILE
8 IN. MIN. DEPTH INTO GROUND

ELEVATION

36 IN. MIN. FENCE POST LENGTH
WOVEN SLIT FILM GEOTEXTILE
FLOW

EMBED GEOTEXTILE MIN. OF 8 IN VERTICALLY INTO THE GROUND. BACKFILL AND COMPACT THE SOIL ON BOTH SIDES OF GEOTEXTILE.

CROSS SECTION

POSTS

STEP 1

STEP 2

STEP 3

JOINING TWO ADJACENT SILT FENCE SECTIONS (TOP VIEW)

MARYLAND STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT
WATER MANAGEMENT ADMINISTRATION
CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS

1. USE WOOD POSTS 1 1/4 X 1 1/4 ± 1/8 INCH (MINIMUM) SQUARE CUT OF SOUND QUALITY HARDWOOD. AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO WOODEN POST USE STANDARD "T" OR "U" SECTION STEEL POSTS WEIGHING NOT LESS THAN 1 POUND PER LINEAR FOOT.

2. USE 36 INCH MINIMUM POSTS DRIVEN 16 INCH MINIMUM INTO GROUND NO MORE THAN 6 FEET APART.

3. USE WOVEN SPLIT FILM GEOTEXTILE AS SPECIFIED IN SECTION H-1 MATERIALS AND FASTEN GEOTEXTILE SECURELY TO UPSLOPE SIDE OF FENCE POSTS WITH WIRE TIES OR STAPLES AT TOP AND MID-SECTION.

4. PROVIDE MANUFACTURER CERTIFICATION TO THE AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE INSPECTION/ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY SHOWING THAT THE GEOTEXTILE USED MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS IN SECTION H-1 MATERIALS.

5. EMBED GEOTEXTILE A MINIMUM OF 8 INCHES VERTICALLY INTO THE GROUND. BACKFILL AND COMPACT THE SOIL ON BOTH SIDES OF FABRIC.

6. WHERE TWO SECTIONS OF GEOTEXTILE ADJOIN: OVERLAP, TWIST, AND STAPLE TO POST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS DETAIL.

7. EXTEND BOTH ENDS OF THE SILT FENCE A MINIMUM OF FIVE HORIZONTAL FEET UPSLOPE AT 45 DEGREES TO THE MAIN FENCE ALIGNMENT TO PREVENT RUNOFF FROM GOING AROUND THE ENDS OF THE SILT FENCE.

8. REMOVE ACCUMULATED SEDIMENT AND DEBRIS WHEN BULGES DEVELOP IN SILT FENCE OR WHEN SEDIMENT REACHES 25% OF FENCE HEIGHT. REPLACE GEOTEXTILE IF TORN. IF UNDERMINING OCCURS, REINSTALL FENCE.
• Soil must be well compacted and graded properly. Place fill evenly in maximum 8 inch lifts and compact each lift with a minimum of four complete passes of a sheepsfoot roller, vibratory compaction equipment or track machine, as per landowner’s discretion. Measures shall be installed on stable slopes (straw) after seeding.

• Divert runoff away from the greenhouse with a 15 ft wide x 0.7 ft deep grassed swale / diversion. See detail.

• Use erosion control matting in swale after it has been seeded to a minimum width of 10 ft. wide. Install using sod staples as as per detail.

• Topdress disturbed areas with a minimum of 6 inches of topsoil compacted at least by one pass by a roller or excavation equipment.

• Adequate moisture shall be maintained in the seeded area during the germination period.

• Roof runoff from greenhouse to be captured in storage tank to be utilized in greenhouse structure. Contact the MSCD for size and design guidance or utilize private engineer.

Sincerely,

Paul Meyer
Engineering Technician, MSCD

Enclosures:
Silt Fence Detail
Stabilized Construction Entrance Detail
Grassed Waterway / Diversion Detail
Erosion Control Matting Detail
Aerial Plan View Map

CC: John Zawitoski, District Manager MSCD
Charlotte Brewster, USDA/NRCS District Conservationist Montgomery County
Rick Brush, Montgomery DPS Land Development Chief
Margaret Urban, Montgomery DPS Sediment Control Field Manager

Please, contact the Montgomery Soil Conservation District 72 hours before beginning the proposed land disturbance activity at 301-590-2855.
PERMANENT SEEDING NOTES

Seeding shall comply with NRCS Technical Guide IV - Critical Area Planting (342).

1. Soil Amendments:
   A) Fertilizer (10-20-20) shall be applied at 500 lb/ac. or 10lbs./1000 sq.ft.
   B) Lime shall be applied at 2 tons/ac. or 100lbs./1000 sq.ft.
   C) Incorporate lime and fertilizer into the top 2 to 4 inches of soil by disking or other suitable means.

2. Seedbed Preparation:
   A) Soil shall be loosened to a depth of 2 inches by raking, disking, or other acceptable means prior to seeding.
   B) Apply seed uniformly with a cyclone seeder, drill, cultipacker seeder or hydroseeder (slurry includes seed and fertilizer on a firm, moist seedbed). Maximum seeding depth should be 1/4" on clayey soil and 1/2" on sandy soils, when using other than hydroseeder method of application. Note: If hydroseeding is used and the seed and fertilizer is mixed, they will be mixed on site and the seeding shall be immediate without interruption.

3. Mulching
   A) Remaining disturbed areas shall be mulched with one of the following:
      a) Straw or hay mulch applied at a rate of 2 tons per acre (90 lbs/1000sq.ft) and anchored immediately after placement.
      b) Wood fiber or paper fiber mulch applied at a rate of 2000 lb. per acre or as recommended by the manufacturer.
      c) Pelletized mulch applied at 60-75 lb. per 1000 sq.ft. in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.
      d) Shredded bark mulch applied to a depth of 2-3 inches with a minimum ground cover of 85%.

## Permanent Seeding Summary

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Seeding Dates, Zone 7a: Feb 15th - April 30th
Aug 15th - Oct 31th
Bella Vita
FARM
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38 inches

Powder coated aluminum
copper flashing
**HAWP APPLICATION: MAILING ADDRESSES FOR NOTIFYING**
[Owner, Owner's Agent, Adjacent and Confronting Property Owners]

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There are not any neighbors that adjoin close enough to be affected by the position of green house. Everyone is more than 500 yards away.