



Maryland DNR-Forest Service Urban and Community Forestry FY 05 Final Progress Report

Methodology/Timeline

1. Fulfill statutory obligations as noted
 - a. US Code Title 16, Chapter 41, Sec 2105
 - i. Comply with grant terms
 1. 10/28/05: PMAS report submission
 - a. **STATUS: Complete (became CARS submission by the time of reporting).**
 2. 10/28/05: National Information Center data (list of subgrant recipients, location and purpose) submission
 - a. **STATUS: This did not occur.**
 3. 10/28/05: Two-page State program accomplishment submission.
 - a. **STATUS: Complete.**
 4. Begin new subgrant
 - a. Salisbury Strategic Urban Forests Assessment
 - i. Contract for high resolution satellite image
 - ii. Interpret image for vegetation
 - iii. Execute contract between Salisbury and MD DNR
 - b. **STATUS: This did not occur. Salisbury declined to participate in the grant and funds were redirected to Baltimore County. Baltimore County imagery has been acquired and is currently being analyzed by UVM SAP and USFS Research.**
5. Complete and close out existing subgrants
 - a. 9/30/05: Forest Opportunity Spectrum project with USFS, University of VT, City of Baltimore, Parks and People Foundation (FFY 03 UCF Inner City).
 - i. **STATUS: Complete.**
 - b. 9/30/05: Town of LaPlata Strategic Urban Forests Assessment (FFY 03 UCF Inner City)

- i. **STATUS: Complete. UTC was determined to be 60%, No goal was adopted. The Town spent \$59,760.00 of the \$60,000 grant planting 230 trees. The planting is anticipated to store over 75,000 lbs. of CO2 through 2019.**
 - c. 9/30/05: City of Frederick Strategic Urban Forests Assessment (Potomac Watershed Partnership).
 - i. **STATUS: Complete. UTC was determined to be 13%. The town spent \$49,480.80 of the \$50,000 grant planting 227 trees. The planting is anticipated to store over 66,000 lbs. of CO2 through 2019. No UTC goal was adopted.**
 - d. 9/30/05: City of Hagerstown Strategic Urban Forests Assessment (Potomac Watershed Partnership)
 - i. **STATUS: Complete. UTC was determined to be 33%. The city spent \$50,233.25 of the \$50,000 grant planting 242 trees. The planting is anticipated to store over 91,000 lbs. of CO2 through 2019. No UTC goal was adopted.**
 - e. Continue work on City of Annapolis Strategic Urban Forests Assessment (FFY 04 UCF Inner City; contract term ends 12/31/05).
 - i. **STATUS: Ongoing. Imagery was acquired and interpreted and a UTC goal was adopted. The city has requested, and has been granted, three contract extensions. The final extension expires June 30, 2008.**
- b. NATURAL RESOURCES: TITLE 5. FORESTS AND PARKS:
SUBTITLE 4. TREES AND FOREST NURSERIES: PART IV.
URBAN & COMMUNITY FORESTRY. §§ 5-424 - §§ 5-427.
 - i. Provide technical and financial assistance to local governments and non-profits in the management of forests and trees in urban and community areas to improve their health, vigor, and composition.
 1. **STATUS: Complete. Assistance was provided to communities with a total population of 4,215,968.**

\$29,282 in State Special Fund monies were used to provide six grants to four local governments in four counties.

- c. NATURAL RESOURCES: TITLE 5. FORESTS AND PARKS:
SUBTITLE 4. TREES AND FOREST NURSERIES: PART III. TREE EXPERTS §§ 5-415 - §§ 5-423
 - i. Administer the licensing program, including training, examination, and enforcement.
 - 1. **STATUS: Complete. The Department renewed 611 licenses and issued 35 new licenses for a total of 646 licenses. Activity revenues were \$12,788.00 and expenditures were \$1,640.40. There were 157 examinees with 37 passing for a pass rate of 23.57%. 79 complaints were investigated; 25 complaints against licensed persons and 54 complaints against unlicensed persons. 78 of the cases have been closed. In FYF 05, the tree expert law was amended to require that tree removers must have a tree expert license.**
- d. NATURAL RESOURCES: TITLE 5. FORESTS AND PARKS:
SUBTITLE 4. TREES AND FOREST NURSERIES: PART I. ROADSIDE TREES. §§ 5-401 - §§ 5-411
 - i. Administer the permitting program, including training, examination, and enforcement.
 - 1. **STATUS: Complete. Training was conducted at least once in each region of the state. Three successful criminal prosecutions were conducted. The number of permits is uncertain due the failure of the existing database. The new WAN-enabled permit database was deployed effective FY 06.**
- e. NATURAL RESOURCES: TITLE 5. FORESTS AND PARKS:
SUBTITLE 16. FOREST CONSERVATION. §§ 5-1601 - §§ 5-1613
 - i. Administer the program, including: provision of technical assistance; biennial review of local programs; review of State and federal projects and associated plantings; and, expenditure of fee-in-lieu mitigation funds.
 - 1. **STATUS: Complete. The State Program reviewed 28 projects containing 669.9 acres. 18 FCPs were approved with 33.6 acres of clearing and 29 acres of long-term protection (17.4 acres of planting). Revenues to the Fund were \$19.691.04, and expenditures from the Fund were \$0.00. Biennial reviews of 11 local programs were completed. One-hundred and four local programs had**

adopted programs, 10 local programs were under State Program review, 20 were exempt from compliance, and 9 were not exercising planning & zoning authority. Local programs reviewed 1,627 activities subject to compliance (863 were exempt) with 3,955 acres approved for clearing and 3,317 acres placed in long-term protection (1,367 acres of planting).

- f. NATURAL RESOURCES: TITLE 5. FORESTS AND PARKS:
SUBTITLE 1. IN GENERAL: § 5-103. Reforestation.
 - i. Administer the program, including review of projects and associated plantings and expenditure of fee-in-lieu mitigation funds.
 - 1. **STATUS: Complete. Six projects were reviewed under the Reforestation Law. Forty-two acres were cleared, 27.7 acres were conserved, and 20.3 acres were planted. Resulting net acres of forest (clearing-planting) was -21.7. No fees were collected by the Fund, and \$42,565.00 was expended from the Fund.**



Date 2/12/08

Signature of Authorized Official