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Erosion and Sediment Control - Agricultural Exemption

Owner Information

Name of Owner: _____

Address: Street/P.O. Box: _____

City State Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Location of Project: _____

Tax Map or Parcel Number: _____

Project Start Date: _____ Proposed Date of Completion: _____

Virginia Erosion and Sediment Control Law (Title 10.1, Chapter 5, Article 4 of the Code of Virginia) as amended by the Virginia Assembly.

"Land-disturbing activity" means any land change that may result in soil erosion from water or wind and the movement of sediments into state waters or onto lands in the Commonwealth, including, but not limited to, clearing, grading, excavating, transporting and filling of land, except that the term shall not include:

Tilling, planting, or harvesting of agricultural, horticultural, or forest crops, or livestock feedlot operations; including engineering operations as follows: construction of terraces, terrace outlets, check dams, desilting basins, dikes, ponds, ditches, strip cropping, lister furrowing, contour cultivating, contour furrowing, land drainage and land irrigation; however, this exception shall not apply to harvesting of forest crops unless the area on which harvesting occurs is reforested artificially or naturally in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 11 (§ 10.1-1100 et seq.) of this title or is converted to bona fide agricultural or improved pasture use as described in subsection B of § 10.1-1163;

Agricultural engineering operations include but are not limited to the construction of terraces, terrace outlets, check dams, desilting basins, dikes, ponds not required to comply with the

provisions of the Dam Safety Act, Article 2 (§ IQ.1-604 et seq.) of Chapter 6 of this title, ditches, strip cropping, lister furrowing, contour cultivating, contour furrowing, land drainage and land irrigation.

By signing below, I certify that the intent of this land disturbing activity is truly an agriculture engineering operation. Furthermore, by signing below I represent that the disturbed area of the project will only be used for agriculture purposes the next _____ years _____ months.

Owners Name: _____
(Please print)

Owners Signature: _____

Date: _____

Approved by: _____ Date: _____