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# Identifying Existing Conditions and Natural Resources through the Sketch and Preliminary Planning Process

Anne Arundel County encourages the preservation of natural resources through the development process. This preservation cannot be adequately accomplished unless a site's natural resources are mapped at the beginning of the development review process. The purpose of this notice is to provide the general public, reviewing agencies, and the development community with revised sketch plan and preliminary plan checklists that have been updated in an effort to ensure natural resources are appropriately mapped at the onset of the review process.

Please contact the Office of Planning and Zoning at (410)-222-7450 if you have any questions about this notice.



Office of Planning and Zoning Steve Kaii-Ziegler AICP, Planning and Zoning Officer

## MEMORANDUM

- TO: MBIA, Review Agencies and the General Public
- FROM: Steve Kaii-Ziegler AICP, Planning and Zoning Officer
- SUBJECT: Identifying Existing Conditions and Natural Resources through the Sketch and Preliminary Planning Process
- DATE: March 6, 2020

Sections 17-3-201(b) and 17-4-201(b) of the Anne Arundel County Code authorizes the Office of Planning and Zoning to maintain a sketch plan checklist and a preliminary plan checklist that provide information required "to clearly identify areas on the site that are suitable for development." Part of this suitability analysis necessarily must consider natural resources on the site. Thus, the sketch and preliminary plan checklists and submittal requirements included in this notice have been updated in an effort to ensure that natural resources are adequately mapped on each site at the onset of the development review process.

All sketch and preliminary plan applications, submitted on or after April 3, 2020, must be in conformance with the updated checklists. Any submissions brought to the Permit Center with missing or incomplete packages may be rejected or set aside until all necessary information has been provided. The submission date will not be established until the date that all necessary information has been supplied to the Permit Center.

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	SKETCH PLAN AND PRELIMINARY PLAN	
	ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY OFFICE OF PLANNING AND ZONING - DEVELOPMENT DIVISION	
٢	Sketch Plan Submittal Requirements	
٢	<b>Preliminary Plan Submittal Requirements</b>	
Ap	pplication Name:	-
Su	ıbdivision #: <u>S</u> ; Project #: <u>P</u> or Preliminary Plan #: <u>C</u>	-
Da	ate:	
Ins	structions: All submissions shall be bundled into the following packages for distribution to the appropriat submissions brought to the Permit Center with missing or incomplete packages may be rejected or necessary information has been provided. The submission date will not be established until the date information has been supplied to the Permit Center. If any items below are not provided justification/reasoning in the Letter of Explanation. It should be noted that not all items conta necessarily be required for every project. Upon receipt by the review agencies, any necessary plan deemed incomplete will not be reviewed and may result in denial of the application. Design Professional shall place one of the following marks, as appropriate, on each line:	set aside until all that all necessary , please provide ained below will
	N/A - not applicable Y - provided	
	Items marked with ** must be provided if testing for Adequate Public Facilities	
	The <u>Sketch Plan or Preliminary Plan</u> shall be prepared and sealed/certified by an engineer, architect, lands land surveyor registered to practice in the State of Maryland.	cape architect or
	The <u>Stormwater Management Plans</u> must be signed and sealed by an engineer, landscape architect or land su to practice in the State of Maryland. (Note that certain plans such as Water and Sewer Plans, Stormwater Ma Structural Designs, etc., require the seal and signature of a Professional Engineer.)	
1.	Application Form: The application form must be signed by the property owner or authorized agent.	
2.	Certificate of Transmittal	
3.	Submittal Review Fee: Residential - \$75 per unit. Commercial / Industrial - \$360 per acre; for sites over an acre the fee will be based on the oracreage to the next full acre. Signs - \$35 for each sign abutting County and State roads and navigable waterways.	entire site
4.	<b>Modification Request:</b> Provide as many copies as the Modification Procedures requires. Provide sepa for Floodplain and Stormwater Management. See Modification Procedures for fees.	arate request
5.	<ul> <li>Basic Review Package – Minimum Requirements <ul> <li>a) One (1) copy of a Letter of Explanation for the project. (Note: If any items listed below are not prindicate justification/reasons in cover letter.)</li> <li>b) One (1) copy of Application.</li> <li>c) One (1) copy of Modification Decision Letters.</li> <li>d) One (1) copy of the Sketch Plan or Preliminary Plan.</li> <li>e) One (1) cut and paste copy if a plan is presented on more than two sheets.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	ovided, please

a) One (1) Basic Review Package.

# 7. Office of Planning & Zoning – Planner/Environmental/Landscape Package

- a) One (1) Basic Review Package.
- b) One (1) copy of the Community Meeting Form, Verification of Notification, Detailed Meeting Minutes, and Proof of Summary Mailing.
- c) One (1) copy of the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Report and Habitat Assessment.
- d) One (1) copy of the Forest Interior Dwelling Species Report.
- e) One (1) copy of the Wetland Report.
- f) One (1) copy of the Forest Stand Delineation Plan, Narrative, Data Sheets and Signed checklist.
- g) One (1) copy of the Bog Report.
- h) One (1) copy of written authorization from property owner allowing contract purchaser/lessee to act on owner's behalf.
- i) Title references and history traced back from July 1, 1952 to present date. Include a cover sheet outlining history of the property and provide all copies of current deeds (identify parcel numbers on all deeds), recorded plats and all deeds not covered by plats.
- j) One (1) copy of covenants, conditions and restrictions attached to the property.
- k) One (1) copy of any Variance, Special Exception, Rezoning or Board of Appeals decision.
- 1) One (1) copy of the Sketch Plan and Preliminary Plan Submittal Requirements checklist.
- m) One (1) copy of the Sketch Plan-Preliminary Plan Checklist.

# 8. Office of Planning & Zoning – Planning Division – Planner Package

- a) One (1) Basic Review Package.
- 9. Office of Planning & Zoning Planning Division Water & Sewer Master Plan Package
  - a) One (1) Basic Review Package.

# 10. Office of Planning & Zoning – Cultural Resources Package

a) One (1) Basic Review Package.

# 11. Office of Transportation Package

- a) One (1) Basic Review Package.
- b) \*\*One (1) copy of the Traffic Impact Study.
- c) One (1) copy of a Bicycle, Pedestrian and Transit Assessment.

# 12. Department of Inspections & Permits – Engineer/Utility Package

- a) One (1) Basic Review Package.
- b) One (1) copy of the detailed Community Meeting Minutes.
- c) One (1) copy of the Stormwater Management Report.
- d) One (1) copy of the Floodplain Study (if applicable).
- e) \*\*One (1) copy of the EDU Worksheet.
- f) \*\*One (1) copy of the SWAMP Analysis (if one has already been completed for this project).
- g) \*\*One (1) copy of the Perc Test Results & approved Health Department Site Plan showing perc test locations (if applicable).
- h) Nine (9) copies of the Sewer Study (if applicable).
- i) Two (2) copies of the Pumping Station Design Plan and Report (if applicable).
- j) One (1) copy of the Sketch Plan and Preliminary Plan Submittal Requirements Checklist.
- k) One (1) copy of the Sketch Plan-Preliminary Plan Checklist.

# 13. Department of Inspections & Permits – Traffic Package

- a) Two (2) Basic Review Package.
- b) **\*\*One** (1) copy of the Traffic Impact Study.

## 14. Department of Public Works – Technical Engineering & Planning Division – Utility Package

- a) One (1) Basic Review Package.
- b) Four (4) copies of the Sewer Study and Pumping Station Design Plan and Report.
- c) Four (4) copies of the Grinder Pump Study.
- d) \*\*One (1) copy of the EDU Worksheet.
- e) \*\*One (1) copy of the SWAMP Analysis Worksheet.
- f) Three (3) copies of the Mayo Sewer Study. (Only if in Mayo Sewer Service Area.)

## 15. Department of Recreation & Parks

a) One (1) Basic Review Package.

#### 16. Agricultural Review Package

(Package required if site is zoned RA)

a) One (1) Basic Review Package.

## 17. Board of Education

a) One (1) Basic Review Package.

#### 18. Health Department

- a) One (1) Basic Review Package.
- b) One (1) copy of the Perc Test Results & approved Health Department Site Plan showing the perc test locations.
- c) One (1) copy of the Wetland Report.

#### **19. Fire Department**

a) One (1) Basic Review Package.

## 20. Library

a) One (1) Basic Review Package.

## 21. Soil Conservation District

- a) One (1) Basic Review Package.
- b) One (1) copy of the Stormwater Management Report.
- c) One (1) copy of the Geo-Technical Report.
- d) One (1) copy of the Floodplain Study.
- e) One (1) copy of the Wetland Report.

## 22. Maryland State Highway Administration

- a) One (1) Basic Review Package.
- b) Six (6) copies of the Traffic Impact Study. (If project on a State Road.)
- c) One (1) copy of the Stormwater Management Report and Computations. (If project on a State Road.)

## 23. Maryland State Aviation Administration

(MAA package is required if the project is within the 4-mile radius of BWI Airport – includes projects located on Tax Maps 1A, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15 or 16)

- a) One (1) Basic Review Package.
- b) One (1) copy of the Stormwater Management Report and Computations.
- c) One (1) copy of the Geo-Technical Report.

## 24. Baltimore Gas & Electric

- a) One (1) Basic Review Package.
- b) One (1) copy of the Forest Stand Delineation Plan, Narrative and Data Sheets. (Only required if in Critical Area or if Forest Stand Delineation or Forest Conservation Plan are included.)

## 25. Verizon

a) One (1) Basic Review Package.

#### 26. Critical Area Commission

(Package required if site is within Critical Area)

- a) One (1) Basic Review Package.
- b) One (1) copy of the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Report and habitat assessment.
- c) One (1) copy of the Forest Interior Dwelling Species Report

#### 27. Department of Natural Resources – Fish & Wildlife Division

(Package required if site is in the Critical area or Bog Protection Area)

- a) One (1) Basic Review Package.
- b) One (1) copy of the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Report and habitat assessment.

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					wided as a general guide for identifying the minimum features that should be addressed prior to submitting the	plans for review.			
•	Plans	are to	be des	igned	based on the standards set forth in the appropriate design manuals as stipulated in the Anne Arundel County C	ode.			
	The de	esign o	consulta	ant, by	assigning his/her seal and signature, certifies that the plans were completed in accordance with the current de	sign standards.			
					on required by this checklist will be deemed incomplete and returned to the consultant without the benefit of rev ad until complete plans and all required attachments have been submitted for review.	view. The submittal			
					to limit the number of plan sheets to four (4).				
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	Des.	Rev.	Des.	Rev.	Sketch Plan-Preliminary Plan Checklist (Also used as SWM Concept Plan)	Remarks			
					Applicable to all plan sheets				
1					Size: 24" x 36"				
2					Title block shall include: A) Project Name and number B) Sheet Title C) Date, D) Tax Map, Block and Parcel E) Assessment District				
3					Block with design consultant information including signature and seal of a Design Professional registered in the State of Maryland (Comar, Section 14-101).				
4 5					<ul> <li>A) Legend B) North Arrow (NAD 83) C) Scale: Centered below applicable plan or profile</li> <li>Drafting: A) labeling is legible (not overlapping, etc.) lines/line weight and symbols used are defined in legend. B) Match lines shown were applicable and correctly labeled.</li> </ul>				

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	Cover Sheet									
6					Legal name, address, telephone number and email address of the owner, developer, applicant, and design consultant;					
7					Vicinity Map (minimum 4" x 4" Scale 2000' = 1") (Title Sheet) A) Located in upper right hand corner, B) North arrow shown to top C) Scale shown D) Roads labeled					
8					Location Plan Scale 1"=200' A) Shows actual location of project and surrounding streets					
9					Index of Drawings Table: All drawing titles are shown in table and labeled accordingly					
10					Benchmark - B. M. number., description and elevation. (Vertical control NAVD 1929 or NAVD1988) consultant must indicate which is used. No assumptions					
11					<b>Tabulate:</b> Provide a table that shows the following information: A) Runoff amount to the POI B) Runoff amount generated by site drainage area to POI C) Ratio of site runoff to Total runoff to POI D) Runoff amounts must be calculated and shown for each drainage area E) Curve number and time of concentration computation is based on developed conditions as per current zoning					
12					<b>Outfall Statement(s):</b> A) Provide a description of each outfall point from the site. B) If outfall is to an open channel, describe channel indicating whether or not erosion is evident between the site outfall and the POI.					
13					Provide a tax-map layout that shows the location of the site and abutting parcels, at a scale that allows clear depiction of information presented					
					Sheet 2 - Existing Conditions and Resource Mapping					
14					A site outline showing bearings and distance (Information obtained from plats and deeds is sufficient at this stage) <i>Do not show lease lines as property lines</i>					
15					The zoning of the lot (show division lines and identify acreage of each zoning classification)					
16					Adjacent property information, including names, addresses, tax account numbers, deed reference and zoning					
17					The location, dimension and label of existing structures, driveways, sewers, water lines, storm drains, etc. on and within 100 feet of the site boundary					
18					The location of existing private onsite water and sewerage facilities; Offsite well and septic within 100' of the site boundary					
19					Topography (2 foot contours) extending a minimum of 100 feet beyond the site boundaries (County topo is allowed at this stage)					
20					If natural drainage patterns within site are not clearly depicted by topographic information, provide flow arrows etc. that show patterns					
21					Pre development discharge points from the site					
22					Bog Contributing Drainage Area and Bog Protected Streams					
23					The Critical Area boundary and classifications and a tabulation of acreage by Critical Area classification (LDA, RCA or IDA)					

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24					Soils labeled and shaded based on Hydrologic Soil Group (A, B, C, D).			
					Tabulations including the gross area of the lot, floodplain, wetland, wetland buffer, stream buffer and existing			
25					impervious coverage in acreage and square feet, ratio of existing impervious coverage to total site area, and linear feet of stream per classification			
26					The location and size of all existing easements with label explaining the purpose and recording references			
27					The location of slopes by categories of 15 to <25% and 25% and greater; steep slope buffer			
28					The location and label of 100-year floodplain, including FEMA floodplain; the location of costal floodplain and coastal high hazard areas			
29					Tidal and nontidal wetland limits based on wetland study, Wetlands of Special State Concern and wetland buffer			
30					Streams with classification labeled (Ephemeral, Intermittent, Perennial,) and stream buffer			
31								
					Bog limits, bog 100-foot upland buffer, and bog limited activity area, based on bog study and bog buffers			
32					Critical Area 100-foot buffer, expanded buffer and Habitat Protection Areas			
33					Identification and location of rare, threatened, or endangered species habitat			
34					Highly erodible soils indicated by separate shading			
35					The location of all historic resources, archaeological sites and cemeteries			
36					Identification and limits of Greenway			
37					Existing forest line			
38					Specimen trees and associated critical root zone (label type, size in dbh and health)			
39					Show clear delineation of the areas that are to be protected from development including, but not limited to, Items 26 through 38			
40					Certification note: provide a note, signed and sealed by the design professsional, certifying that the location of all natural and man made features shown on the plan have been field verified			
					Sheet three - Establish and show the Point(s) of Investigation POI			
41					Drainage area map: Provide a drainage area map that shows the entire drainage area to site and POI			
42					Scale shall allow for legible presentation of required information			
					All Drainage area maps: A) Contours numbered with legible lettering B) contour lines extend at least 100'			
43					beyond drainage area boundaries C) Travel path for Tc shown with segments labeled (distance, slope and			
40					"n" factor) D) Curve number or C Factor areas shown by contrasting shading or colors E) acreage shown) F) North arrow shown G) Scale shown			
44					Clearly label the discharge point(s) from the site			

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45					Runoff Curve Numbers and Times of Concentration must be: A) Based on ultimate development conditions as per current zoning, assuming no storage within existing BMPs located within the drainage area B) Computations based on the 10 year design storm					
46					Maps used to depict items utilized in developing curve numbers (Zoning and HSG) shown at same scale as applicable drainage area map.					
47					Information shown on drainage area map must correlate with information used in computation booklet					
48					Indicate location of photographs for walking tour					
49					All maps used for comparison such as existing and proposed development shown at same scale					
					Preliminary determination of adequate conditions downstream of site outfalls					
50					Information provided at concept should be sufficient to determine if Peak Management Qp10 will be required					
51					Discharge to closed system: Provide as built maps of system to point of investigation or preliminary surveyed mapping if as built information is unavailable					
52					Discharge to open channel system: Provide photographic walking tour from site outfall to POI					
53					Discharge is via sheet flow: Demonstrate that sheet flow will be maintained after development as per the SWM design manual					

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	Sheet four - Development Concept Plan								
54					Plan scale shall be no smaller than 1" = 100'				
55					Show a 100 foot peripheral strip that shows the existing topography off site				
56					Show and label all existing conditions as delineated on the Existing Conditionsand and Resource Mapping Sheet 3				
57					Show buildable areas: Provide a clear delineation of the areas/features that are to be protected from development as delineated on the Existing Conditionsand and Resource Mapping Sheet 3, item number 39.				
58					Show and label setbacks as required by the zoning of the parcel and adjacent parcels				
59					Development layout showing buildings, roads, parking, easements, etc.				
60					Show and label proposed and required landscape areas				
61					Proposed limits of clearing and grading				
62					Location of proposed impervious areas				
63					Proposed roads				
64					<b>Utilities:</b> A) Show location of water and sewer that abuts the site <b>B</b> ) Indicate current water and sewer service areas (Existing, planned, no planned service etc.) <b>C</b> ) If water and sewer does not abut the site, and site is in the planned or existing service area, provide mapping that shows the location of and distance to the existing water and sewer closest to the site. (Limit of mapping should be equal to the minimum required extension distance (RED) as indicated in the current sewer master plan http://www.aacounty.org/PlanZone/MasterPlans/WaterSewer2007/Index.cfm)				
65					Forest Conservation computations				
66					Proposed Bicycle Pedestrain Transit per 17-6-113				
67					Location of proposed utilities: Plan view only				
68					Preliminary location of ESD practices				
69					Private sewer Show location and all percolation test results				
70					Private water - Show location				
71					Open Space: Show A) Location B) Type				
72					<b>Tabulation:</b> A) Use B) Density C) Gross Site Area, Proposed Lot area and Limit of Disturbance in acres and square feet D) Bulk Parcels E) Parking required and provided F) Floor Area G) Existing and Proposed Coverage in acres and square feet H) Existing and Proposed Coverage site ratio I) Show Growth Tier (I,II,III, or IV) and list developmental restriction				
73					Provide Table that shows: Total on site acreage of each Hydrologic Soil Group (HSG)				

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74					Abutting properties show: A) Lot numbers, and street address numbers B) Owners name and Tax Account Number			
					Site layout meets the criteria listed below:			
75					Proposed imperviousness and disturbance is minimized by implementing clustering and other techniques			
76					Protects conservation areas to the Maximum Extent Practicable			
77					SWM is addressed by utilizing natural areas and landscape features to manage runoff from impervious surfaces			
78					Site graded so that runoff flows from impervious areas directly to pervious areas or natural conveyance systems			
79					Natural flow paths between the site and upstream and downstream systems are maintained			
80					Sheet flow and natural overland flow processes maintained wherever it is feasible			
81					Stable conveyance of runoff provided to offsite areas.			
82					Structural BMPs are used only where absolutely necessary			

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	Reports, Computations and Attachments									
83					SWM Concept report and computations are provided in a booklet that is A) Bound B) Sheets numbered C)					
					Signed and Sealed by design professional D) Contains a table of contents					
84					SWM Narrative must be included that provides the following information:					
84					1. Supports the concept plan, indicates other alternatives that were explored and explains why they were not					
85					<ol><li>Describes how natural resources are protected and possibly enhanced.</li></ol>					
86					3. Describes how natural flow patterns are maintained					
87					4. Explains how impervious surfaces have been reduced based on the use of: a) Better site design b) Use of					
87					alternative surfaces and c) nonstructural practices					
88					5. Outlines the integration of erosion and sediment control into the stormwater strategy					
89					6. Explains how the 10% pollutant reduction will be acheived if required.					
90					Bog: Bog protection plan for bog protected area					
91					Critical area: Provided a buffer management plan for any disturbance in the 100 ft buffer and expanded					
91					buffer					
					Computations					
92					Study points: A) Same for pre and post development B) Clearly labeled and numbered.					
93					Drainage area information used in computations clearly depicted on drainage area maps.					
94					The same method of computation used when comparing runoff (i.e. if TR-55 used for post development					
94					runoff, it must be used for pre development as well)					
					Computations: Limited to feasibility of achieving Pe and Peak management goals. A) Estimate rainfall					
95					amount treated in each facility B) Provide a table that shows the summation of Pe for each nonstructural					
95					method and device (weighted by drainage area) and compare to Estimated Pe and peak management					
					volume required.					
96					Flood plain determination, if required (Including supporting computations)					
					Attachments					
97					Walking tour photographs (at 50 foot intervals, or closer if necessary)					
					Adequacy of facilities					
	If the applicant wishes to address adequacy of facilities at this stage, the additional items listed below must be submitted.									
98					Traffic Impact study A) Include mitigation plan if required					
99					EDU worksheet					
100					Detailed outfall study					
104					Mitigation for inadequate outfall: If it is determined that the site has an inadequate outfall, then a mitigation					
101					plan must be submitted.					