IN RE: **PETITION FOR VARIANCE**NW/S Traceys Store Road, 600' NE of
Foreston Road

(Traceys Store Road)
5<sup>th</sup> Election District
3<sup>rd</sup> Council District

Allen Estep, et ux Petitioners BEFORE THE

ZONING COMMISSIONER

OF

BALTIMORE COUNTY

Case No. 2009-0085-A

#### FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

This matter comes before the Zoning Commissioner for consideration of a Petition for Variance filed by the owners of the subject property, Allen Estep, and his wife, Valerie B. Estep. Petitioners request variance relief from Section 1A09.7B.5.b.1(a) of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to permit a side yard setback (north side) of 100 feet for a proposed dwelling, in lieu of the required 300 foot setback as determined by the Director of the Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management (DEPRM), from an adjacent property that has received preferential agricultural assessments in the prior five (5) years. The subject property and requested relief are more particularly described on the site plan submitted which was accepted into evidence and marked as Petitioners' Exhibit 1.

Appearing at the requisite public hearing in support of the request were Allen and Valerie Estep, property owners, and Bruce E. Doak, a consultant with Gerhold, Cross & Etzel, Ltd., the property line surveyors who prepared the site plan for this property. Wally Lippincott, Jr., Land Preservation Manager with DEPRM, also appeared and participated via telephone conference during the hearing and provided direction on the proper location of a proposed landscape planting area to screen the future house and front yard area. There were no Protestants or other interested persons present, however, it is noted that eleven (11) letters of support were received from adjacent neighbors namely, Irene L. Altenburg, W. Ralph Wisner, Jr., Alvin H. and Marie E. Garrett, Joe Armacost, Ada M. Wilhelm, Donald E. Armacost, Jr., Anthony J.

Valis, Ronald Wilhelm, Allen Turnbaugh, Marcia L. Alexander and Dennis L. Wilhelm. Their letters were received as Petitioners' Exhibit 3.

The subject property under consideration is a narrow, irregular rectangularly shaped parcel, environmentally constrained due to a stream and a forty (40) foot grade drop in topography (front to rear) located in northern Baltimore County on the west side of Traceys Store Road, just north of Foreston Road in Parkton. The property is a lot of record and contains a gross area of 4.6182 acres, more or less, zoned R.C.8 and is presently vacant and unimproved. Prior to County Council Bill No. 76-04 passed in August 2004, the property known as Parcel No. 219 on Maryland Tax Map 15, was zoned R.C.4. The Petitioners have owned and maintained the property since 1986, well prior to the current R.C.8 regulations, and have always intended to build a new single-family dwelling at some future time. Mr. Estep testified that except for the relief from the 300-foot setback from adjacent agriculturally assessed property, the lot meets all other requirements of the R.C.8 zoning classification. The lot has 335 feet of frontage on Traceys Store Road and is over 792 feet deep.

As set forth above, the need for variance relief arises by virtue of the adjacent lands (to the northeast owned by Irene L. Altenburg<sup>1</sup>) as her property is suitable for agricultural production and entitled to agricultural or conservation easements. The regulations require, under these circumstances, that the proposed dwelling be constructed at least 300 feet from the adjacent property line(s). As illustrated on the site plan, the need for a 300-foot setback on a parcel 335 feet wide, which has been a lot of record created long ago (prior to 1970) would preclude the Petitioners from any use of this property. There was no dispute that the property is subject to the R.C.8 environmental enhanced provisions of the B.C.Z.R. Section 1A09.7B.3 requires that for residential development, the maximum area of the building envelope not exceed 20,000 square feet in size. The building envelope as shown meets the size requirements of the R.C.8 zone and the new home will be accessed from Traceys Store Road.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ms. Altenburg supports Petitioners' variance request as evidenced by her letter accepted as Petitioners' Exhibit 3.

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In its initial Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC) comment, DEPRM realized that a 300-foot setback was not possible, however, recommended that a 35-foot wide planted buffer be provided along the 530-foot northern boundary. Messrs. Estep and Doak demonstrated to the satisfaction of Wally Lippincott that to provide a buffer of this magnitude between the uses, while possible, would require an extensive cost, be extremely difficult, and provide little in the way of environmental enhancements. Given the topographical grades, the proposed home location, which is in a relatively flat area, Mr. Lippincott revised his ZAC comment as illustrated on Petitioners' Exhibit 4 to a reduced 140' x 25' planting area to screen the house and front yard.

Based upon the testimony and evidence presented, I am persuaded that relief should be granted and that the Petitioners have met the requirements set forth in Section 307 of the B.C.Z.R. The amendments to the plan appear appropriate and resolve the issues raised by DEPRM and the Office of Planning. The plan shows the adjacent agricultural use property owned by Irene L. Altenburg. The proposed area of landscape planting appears to be sufficient screening along that property line which will buffer the new house from the Altenburg parcel. Additionally, a note that any occupant of the new dwelling might be subject to an inconvenience of discomfort arising from the adjacent agricultural operations as found in B.C.Z.R. Section 1A09.8 will be added to the site plan and this Order. It is clear that relief can be granted and that there will be no detrimental impacts to adjacent properties or the health, safety or general welfare of the surrounding locale. It is clear that there will not be any increase in residential density, beyond that otherwise allowable by the B.C.Z.R., and that the relief requested is the minimum necessary to afford relief to the Petitioners, without impact or affect upon adjoining owners.

Pursuant to the advertising, posting of the property and public hearing on this Petition held, and for the reasons set forth herein, the relief requested shall be granted. The existing and proposed use is expressly permitted as of right in the R.C.8 zone and the Petitioners would suffer real practical difficulty if the requested relief were not granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County, this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of December 2008, that the Petition for Variance seeking relief from Section 1A09.7B.5.b.1(a) of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to reduce the 300 foot setback for a proposed dwelling from an adjacent property receiving preferential agricultural assessments to as close as one hundred (100) feet on the northeast side, in accordance with Petitioners' Exhibit 1, be and the same is hereby GRANTED; subject to the following restrictions:

- 1. Prior to the issuance of any building permits, the development and use of the subject property shall comply with all environmental and forest buffer regulations as set forth in the ZAC comment submitted by DEPRM, dated November 6, 2008.
- 2. The proposed dwelling may be subject to inconveniences or discomforts arising from agricultural operations including but not limited to: noise, odors, fumes, dust, the operations of machinery of any kind during any 24-hour period (including aircraft), the storage and disposal of manure and the application by spraying or otherwise of chemical fertilizers. The County shall not consider an agricultural operation to be a public or private nuisance, if the operation complies with these regulations and all federal, state, or county health or environmental requirements.
- 3. Petitioners are hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at their own risk until the 30-day appeal period from the date of this Order has expired. If an appeal is filed and this Order is reversed, the relief granted herein shall be rescinded.
- 4. When applying for a building permit, the site plan filed must reference this case and set forth and address the conditions and restrictions of this Order.

Any appeal of this decision shall be entered within thirty (30) days of the date hereof.

WJW:dlw

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Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County



JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

WILLIAM J. WISEMAN III

Zoning Commissioner

December 2, 2008

Allen Estep Valerie B. Estep 3132 Traceys Store Road Parkton, Maryland 21120

RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE

NW/S Traceys Store Road, 600' NE of Foreston Road (Traceys Store Road)

5<sup>th</sup> Election District - 3<sup>rd</sup> Council District
Allen Estep, et ux – Petitioners

Case No. 2009-0085-A

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Estep:

Enclosed please find a copy of the decision rendered in the above-captioned matter. The Petition for Variance has been granted with restrictions, in accordance with the attached Order.

In the event any party finds the decision rendered is unfavorable, any party may file an appeal to the County Board of Appeals within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order. For further information on filing an appeal, please contact the Department of Permits and Development Management office at 887-3391.

WILLIAM J. WISEMAN, III

Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

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WJW:dlw Enclosure

 Bruce E. Doak, Gerhold, Cross & Etzel, Ltd., 320 East Towsontown Boulevard, Towson, Maryland 21286
 Wally Lippincott, Jr., Land Preservation Manager, DEPRM People's Counsel; Office of Planning; File



REV 9/15/98

## Petition for Variance

## to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

for the property located at THACEY STOKE Rd which is presently zoned RC 8

This Petition shall be filed with the Department of Permits and Development Management. The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Variance from Section(s)

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of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to the zoning law of Baltimore County, for the following reasons: (indicate hardship or practical difficulty)

SFR ATTACHED

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by the zoning regulations.

I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Variance, advertising, posting, etc. and further agree to and are to be bounded by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the zoning law for Baltimore County.

I/We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition.

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## TRACEYS STÓRE ROAD Tax Account No.: 20-00-009086

#### **VARIANCES REQUESTED**

**BALTIMORE COUNTY ZONING REGULATIONS:** 

1A09.7.B.5.b.(1).(a)

TO ALLOW 100' SETBACK FROM ADJACENT PROPERTY THAT IS CULTIVATED, IN LIEU OF AT LEAST 300'.

\*This is a lat of record, never build on, and existing before this Zoning Regulation..



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September 17, 2008

# ZONING DESCRIPTION Allen Estep and Valerie B. Estep property Traceys Store Road Baltimore County, Maryland

All that piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the Fifth Election District, Third Councilmanic District of Baltimore County, Maryland and described as follows to wit:

Beginning for the same at a point 625 feet  $\pm$  along the centerline of Traceys Store Road northerly from the centerline intersection of Foreston Road and Traceys Store Road being and running thence,

- 1) North 49 degrees 15 minutes 40 seconds West 792.72 feet,
- 2) North 52 degrees 32 minutes 23 seconds East 233.43 feet,
- 3) South 36 degrees 31 minutes 33 seconds East 118.31 feet,
- 4) North 56 degrees 23 minutes 56 seconds East 75.65 feet,
- 5) South 49 degrees 26 minutes 04 seconds East 193.35 feet,
- 6) South 57 degrees 36 minutes 51 seconds East 332.12 feet,
- 7) South 25 degrees 40 minutes 35 seconds West 335.62 feet to the point of beginning.

Containing 4.6182 Acres of land, more or less.



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Note: This description only satisfies the requirements of the Office of Zoning and is not to be used for the purposes of conveyance.

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#### NOTICE OF ZONING

The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, by authority of the Zoning Act and Regulations of Baltimore County will hold a public hearing in Tow-son, Maryland on the property identified herein as follows:

Case: #2009-0085-A
3132 Traceys Store Road
N/west of Traceys Store Road
and Foreston Road
5th Election District
3rd Councilmanic District
Legal Owner(s): Allen & Valerie
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Variance: to allow 100 feet setback from adjacent property that is cultivated in lieu of at least 300 feet.

Hearing: Monday, December 1, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 104, Jefferson Building, 105 West Chasapeaka Avenue, Towson 21204;

WILLIAM J. WISEMAN, III Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

NOTES: (1) Hearings are, Handicapped Accessible; for special accommodations Please Contact the Zoning Commissioner's Office at (410) 887-4386.

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF POSTING**

RE: CASE#2009-0085-A

OWNER/DEVELOPER: Allen & Valerie

**Estep** 

PETITIONER:

**DATE OF HEARING: December 1,** 

2008

BALTIMORE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PERMITS AND DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING, ROOM 111 111 WEST CHESAPEAKE AVE. TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204

**ATTENTION: KRISTEN MATTHEWS** 

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

THIS LETTER IS TO CERTIFY UNDER THE PENALTIES OF PERJURY THAT THE NECESSARY SIGN(S) REQUIRED BY LAW WERE POSTED CONSPICUOUSLY ON THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT

LOCATION:

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CASE #:2009-0085-A

A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD BY THE ZONING COMMISSIONER IN TOWSON, MD.

PLACE: Room 104 Jefferson Building

TIME & 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Towson, MD

DATE: 10:00 am Monday December 1, 2008

Variance: to allow a 100 feet setback from an adjacent property that is cultivated in lieu of at least 300 feet.



JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

October 27, 2008
TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO, Director

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Department of Permits and Development Management

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Legal Owners: Allen & Valerie Estep

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Timothy Kotroco Director

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C: Allen & Valerie Estep, 3132 Traceys Store Road, Parkton 21120 Gerhold, Cross & Etzel, 320 E. Towsontown Blvd., Towson 21286

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NOTES: (1) THE PETITIONER MUST HAVE THE ZONING NOTICE SIGN POSTED BY AN APPROVED POSTER ON THE PROPERTY BY WED.; NOVEMBER 14, 2008.

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WILLIAM J. WISEMAN III

ZONING COMMISSIONER FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

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## DEPARTMENT OF PERMITS AND DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT ZONING REVIEW

#### ADVERTISING REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR ZONING HEARINGS

The <u>Baltimore County Zoning Regulations</u> (BCZR) require that notice be given to the general public/neighboring property owners relative to property which is the subject of an upcoming zoning hearing. For those petitions which require a public hearing, this notice is accomplished by posting a sign on the property (responsibility of the petitioner) and placement of a notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the County, both at least fifteen (15) days before the hearing.

Zoning Review will ensure that the legal requirements for advertising are satisfied. However, the petitioner is responsible for the costs associated with these requirements. The newspaper will bill the person listed below for the advertising. This advertising is due upon receipt and should be remitted directly to the newspaper.

#### OPINIONS MAY NOT BE ISSUED UNTIL ALL ADVERTISING COSTS ARE PAID.

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JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO, Director
Department of Permits and
Development Management
November 26,2008

Allen & Valerie Estep 3131 Traceys Store Rd. Parkton, MD 21120

Dear: Allen & Valerie Estep

RE: Case Number 2009-0085-A, 3131 Traceys Store Rd. .

The above referenced petition was accepted for processing **ONLY** by the Bureau of Zoning Review, Department of Permits and Development Management (PDM) on September 23, 2008. This letter is not an approval, but only a **NOTIFICATION**.

The Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC), which consists of representatives from several approval agencies, has reviewed the plans that were submitted with your petition. All comments submitted thus far from the members of the ZAC are attached. These comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to ensure that all parties (zoning commissioner, attorney, petitioner, etc.) are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the proposed improvements that may have a bearing on this case. All comments will be placed in the permanent case file.

If you need further information or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the commenting agency.

Very truly yours,

W. Carl Richards, Jr. Supervisor, Zoning Review

WCR:lnw

Enclosures

c: People's Counsel Gerhold, Cross & Etzel, 320 E. Towsontown Blvd., Towson, MD 21286

#### BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

#### INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Timothy M. Kotroco, Director

Department of Permits and Development Management DATE: October 20, 2008

BY:\_\_\_

FROM:

Arnold F. 'Pat' Keller, III

Director, Office of Planning

**SUBJECT:** 

3132 Traceys Store Road

**INFORMATION:** 

Item Number:

9-085

Petitioner:

Allen and Valerie Estep

Zoning:

RC8

**Requested Action:** 

Variance

#### SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Office of Planning has reviewed the petitioner's request and accompanying site plan. The Office of Planning does not object to the requested variance from Section 1A09.7.B.5.b.(1).(a) of the BCZR to allow a 100 foot setback from an adjacent property that is cultivated, in lieu of the required 300 feet. This setback variance would not be out of character with the rest of the community and their setbacks from other homes and farmed fields. The 300' setback would render the lot un-buildable.

The plan should note that the occupants of the dwelling might be subject to an inconvenience or discomfort arising from the adjacent agricultural operations that may include noise, odors, fences, dust, the operation of machinery, etc... The provision of this note can be found in Section 1A09.8 of the BCZR.

For further information concerning the matters stated here in, please contact Jessie Bialek at 410-887-

3480.

Reviewed by

**Division Chief** 

AFK/LL: CM

#### **BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND**

#### **Inter-Office Correspondence**



TO:

Timothy M. Kotroco

FROM:

Dave Lykens, DEPRM - Development Coordination

DATE:

November 6, 2008

SUBJECT:

Zoning Item # 09-085-A

Address

3132 Tracey's Store Road

(Estep Property)

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting of October 6, 2008

The Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management has no comments on the above-referenced zoning item.

X The Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management offers the following comments on the above-referenced zoning item:

X Development of the property must comply with the Regulations for the Protection of Water Quality, Streams, Wetlands and Floodplains (Sections 33-3-101 through 33-3-120 of the Baltimore County Code).

Development of this property must comply with the Forest Conservation Regulations (Sections 33-6-101 through 33-6-122 of the Baltimore County Code).

Development of this property must comply with the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Regulations (Sections 33-2-101 through 33-2-1004, and other Sections, of the Baltimore County Code).

#### Additional Comments:

A site inspection was conducted on October 23, 2008. A stream was located immediately adjacent to the property, with possible associated wetlands on site. This will project a forest buffer onto the property. A wetland/stream delineation and a forest buffer delineation are required. — Thomas Panzarella; Environmental Impact Review 10/24

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DEPRM's Agricultural Preservation section can recommend approval of the variance if a 35-foot wide planted buffer is added along the property line in question. – W.S. Lippincott; Agricultural Preservation

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Legal Owner(s): Allen & Valerie Estep
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BEFORE THE

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FOR

BALTIMORE COUNTY

\* 09-085-A

#### **ENTRY OF APPEARANCE**

Please enter the appearance of People's Counsel in the above-captioned matter. Notice should be sent of any hearing dates or other proceedings in this matter and the passage of any preliminary or final Order. All parties should copy People's Counsel on all correspondence sent and all documentation filed in the case.

Peter Max Zimmerman

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People's Counsel for Baltimore County

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Deputy People's Counsel Jefferson Building, Room 204 105 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204 (410) 887-2188

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of October, 2008, a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to Gerhold, Cross & Etzel, Ltd, 320 E Towsontown Blvd, Towson, MD 21286, Representative for Petitioner(s).

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People's Counsel for Baltimore County



JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

December 11, 2008

WILLIAM J. WISEMAN III

Zoning Commissioner

Allen Estep Valerie B. Estep 3132 Traceys Store Road Parkton, Maryland 21120

**RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE - CLARIFICATION** 

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Case No. 2009-0085-A

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Estep:

Following the issuance of my Order on December 2, 2008, it was brought to my attention that I neglected to include as a condition of approval "the requirement that a 25-foot wide x 140 foot long planting buffer be constructed along the front northern boundary of the property as illustrated on Petitioners' Exhibit 4". This evergreen landscape area is intended to buffer the proposed dwelling and front yard from the Altenburg agriculturally used farm.

This clarification does not alter the Order as this requirement was addressed (See top of Page 3) and, therefore, while not a change to the Order should have been mentioned in the restriction portion of the decision found on Page 4.

Please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions or concerns.

Very yours

WNLCI<del>AM J.</del> WISEMAN, III

Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

WJW:dlw Enclosure

c: Bruce E. Doak, Gerhold, Cross & Etzel, Ltd., 320 East Towsontown Boulevard, Towson, Maryland 21286

Wally Lippincott, Jr., Land Preservation Manager, DEPRM

People's Counsel; Office of Planning; File

From:

Wallace Lippincott

To:

Wiseman, Bill

Date:

12/01/08 12:28:17 PM

**Subject:** 

**Zoning Petition** 

#### Bill,

I met with the folks this am. They are feeling very aggrieved by the County. They felt my request was too burdensome and did not agree with it. I explained the purpose of the County law of 300 feet is to reduce potential conflict with adjacent agricultural uses. From our discussion, I thought it reasonable to reduce the buffer request to a 140 foot by 25 planting area to screen the house and front yard only. They did not want to do this but we parted amicably. So in conclusion, my recommendation is the smaller planting area as indicated on a sketch I provided to Bruce Doak. The plantings should be a mixture of evergreen and deciduous and there is no requirement on the size of the trees that are planted so the petitioner can do it themselves to save money so long at it grows up to be an effective buffer. Thanks for consideration of this comment. Wally

Wally Lippincott, Jr. Balto County DEPRM (410)887-3776

CC:

bdoak; Lykens, David

### PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

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## PETITIONER'S SIGN-IN SHEET

NAME	ADDRESS	CITY, STATE, ZIP	E- MAIL		
ALLEN ESTEP	3/32 TRACYS STORE NO	PARKTON MD 21/2	7 —		
Valerie Estep	3/32 Tracelys STONE RD	Parkton MD 21120			
BAVIE DOAK	320 E. TOWSONTOWN BUD	Towson Mo 21286	``		
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Owner Information

Owner Name:

Mailing Address:

**ESTEP ALLEN** 

**ESTEP VALERIE B** 

3132 TRACEYS STORE RD PARKTON MD 21120-9653

**Principal Residence:** 

**Deed Reference:** 

NO

1) / 7158/ 706

**AGRICULTURAL** 

\$10,000

**Location & Structure Information** 

**Premises Address** 

TRACEYS STORE RD

**Legal Description** 4.6182 AC NWS

TRACEYS STORE RD 600 NE FORESTON RD

Map Grid **Parcel** Sub District Subdivision Section Block Lot Assessment Area Plat No: 15 Plat Ref:

Town

Special Tax Areas

**Ad Valorem Tax Class** 

**Primary Structure Built Property Land Area Enclosed Area County Use** 0000 4.61 AC 33 Stories **Basement** Type **Exterior** Value Information Base Value Value Phase-in Assessments

As Of As Of As Of PREFERENTIAL LAND VALUE 01/01/2008 07/01/2008 07/01/2009 INCLUDED IN LAND VALUE 1,720 1,720 Land Improvements: 0 0 Total: 1,720 1,720 1,720 1,720 **Preferential Land:** 1,720 1,720 1,720 1,720

**Transfer Information** Seller: ALTENBURG IRENE Date: 05/12/1986 Price:

IMPROVED ARMS-LENGTH Type: Deed1: / 7158/ 706 Deed2:

Seller: Date: Price: Type: Deed1: Deed 2: Date:

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**Exemption Information** 07/01/2008 **Partial Exempt Assessments** Class 07/01/2009 County 000 0 0 State 000 0 0 Municipal 000 0 0

Tax Exempt: **Exempt Class:**  NO

Special Tax Recapture:

AGRICULTURAL TRANSFER TAX

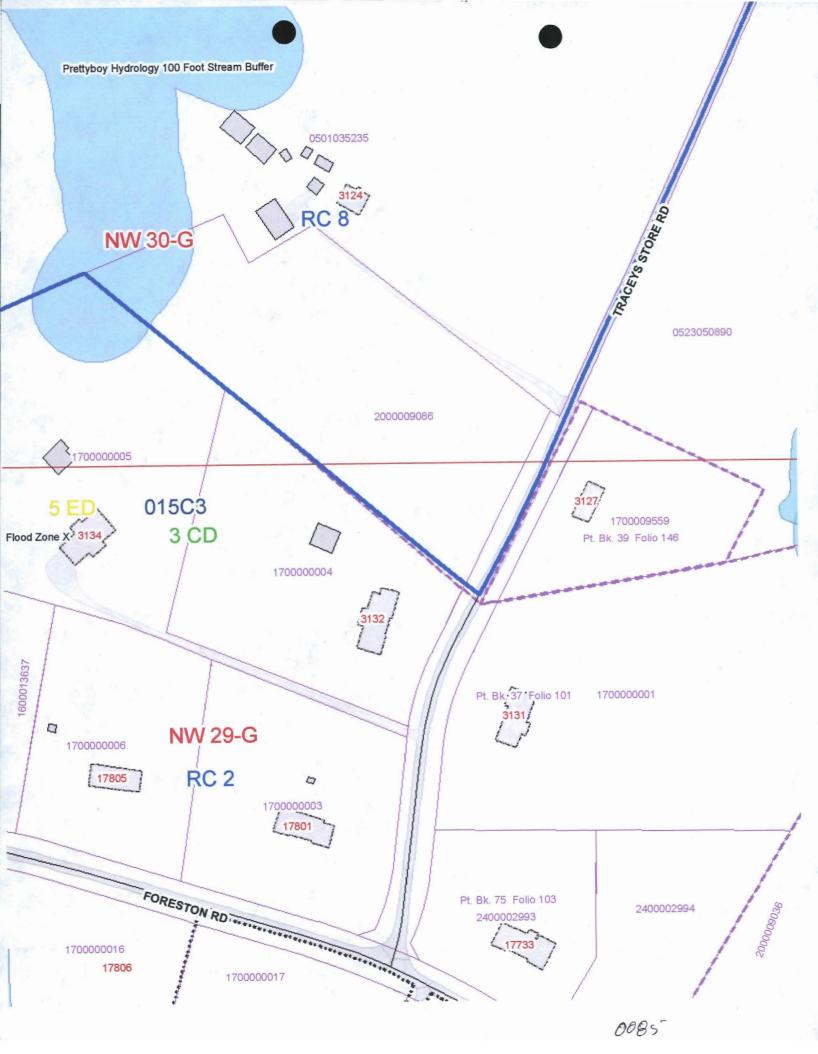
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### **Exhibit Sheet**

	Petitioner/Developer	Protestant
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o. 2	PHOTOGRAPHO and Location Pant	
o. 3	LEHERS OF SUPPORT	
o. 4	Reduced Buffer area. approved by Wally Lipping	cort
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This is The person The LOT WAS
PURCHASED FROM OVER 20 YEARS AGO

Date 9-18-08

William Wiseman **Baltimore County Zoning Commissioner Baltimore County Courts Building** 401 Bosley Avenue M.S. 3401 Towson, MD 21204

Re: Variance request by Allen Estep

Dear Mr. Commissioner,

which is close to the Estep property where a variance from one of the RC & setbacks is being requested. I do not think that the granting of the variance will harm me, so therefore I support Mr. Estep in his request.

Sincerely,

Name I RENE L. PITENIBURG Address 2,24 Tracing & Stare Rx.

Phone Number

410-239-3508

PETITIONER'S

EXHIBIT NO. 11 LETTERS OF SUPPRIT

#### Bill Wiseman - Re: Zoning Petition

From:

Bill Wiseman

To:

Lippincott, Wallace

Subject:

Re: Zoning Petition

CC:

Lykens, David

Thanks Wally-

Case No: 2009-0085-A. I WILL ACCEPT THIS COMPROMISE AS AN AMENDED ZAC COMMENT.

>>> Wallace Lippincott 12/01/08 12:28 PM >>>

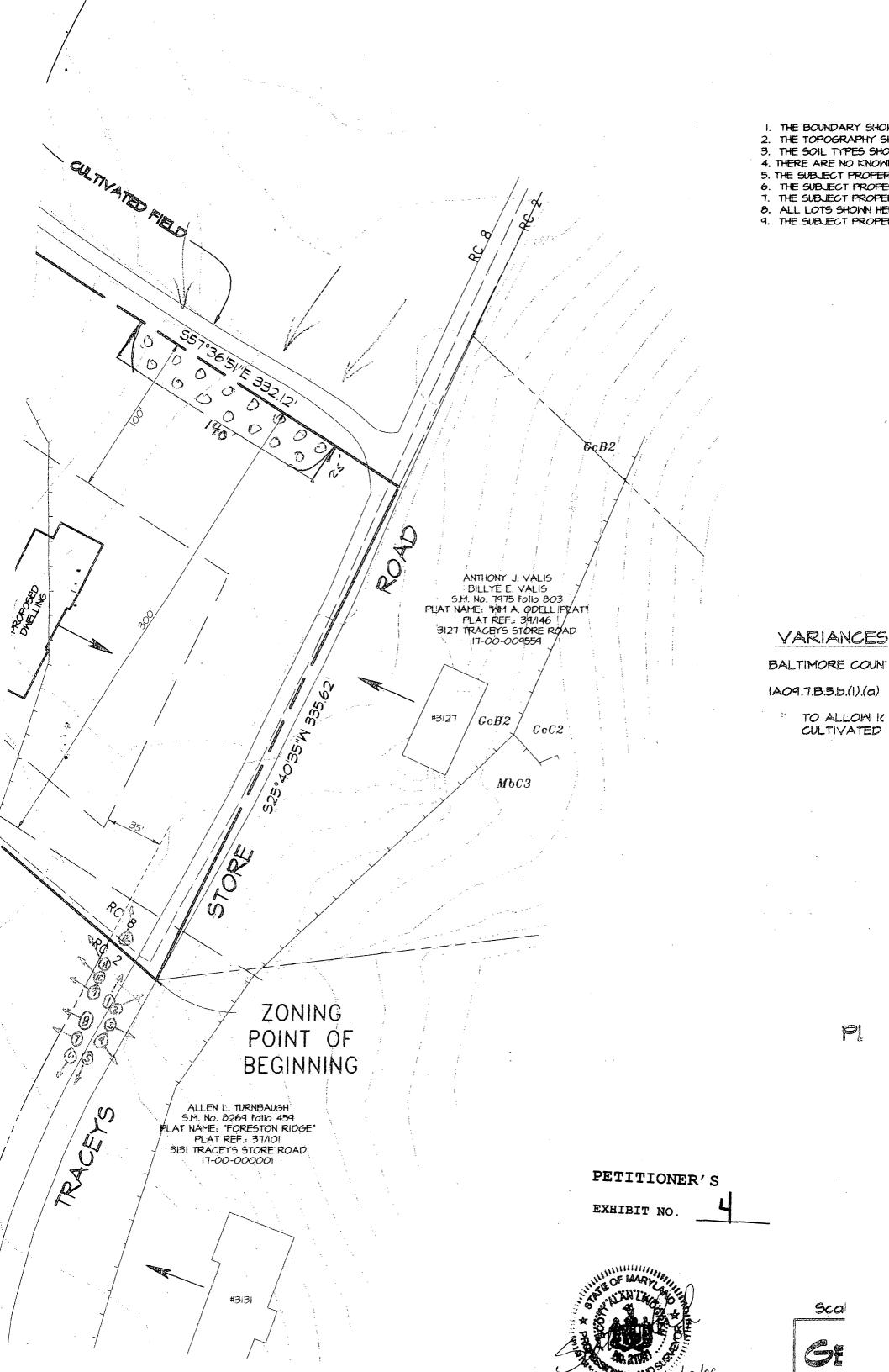
I met with the folks this am. They are feeling very aggrieved by the County. They felt my request was too burdensome and did not agree with it. I explained the purpose of the County law of 300 feet is to reduce potential conflict with adjacent agricultural uses. From our discussion, I thought it reasonable to reduce the buffer request to a 140 foot by 25 planting area to screen the house and front yard only. They did not want to do this but we parted amicably. So in conclusion, my recommendation is the smaller planting area as indicated on a sketch I provided to Bruce Doak. The plantings should be a mixture of evergreen and deciduous and there is no requirement on the size of the trees that are planted so the petitioner can do it themselves to save money so long at it grows up to be an effective buffer.

Thanks for consideration of this comment.

Wally

Wally Lippincott, Jr. Balto County DEPRM (410)887-3776

ExHIBIT 4 (SEE DINGER)



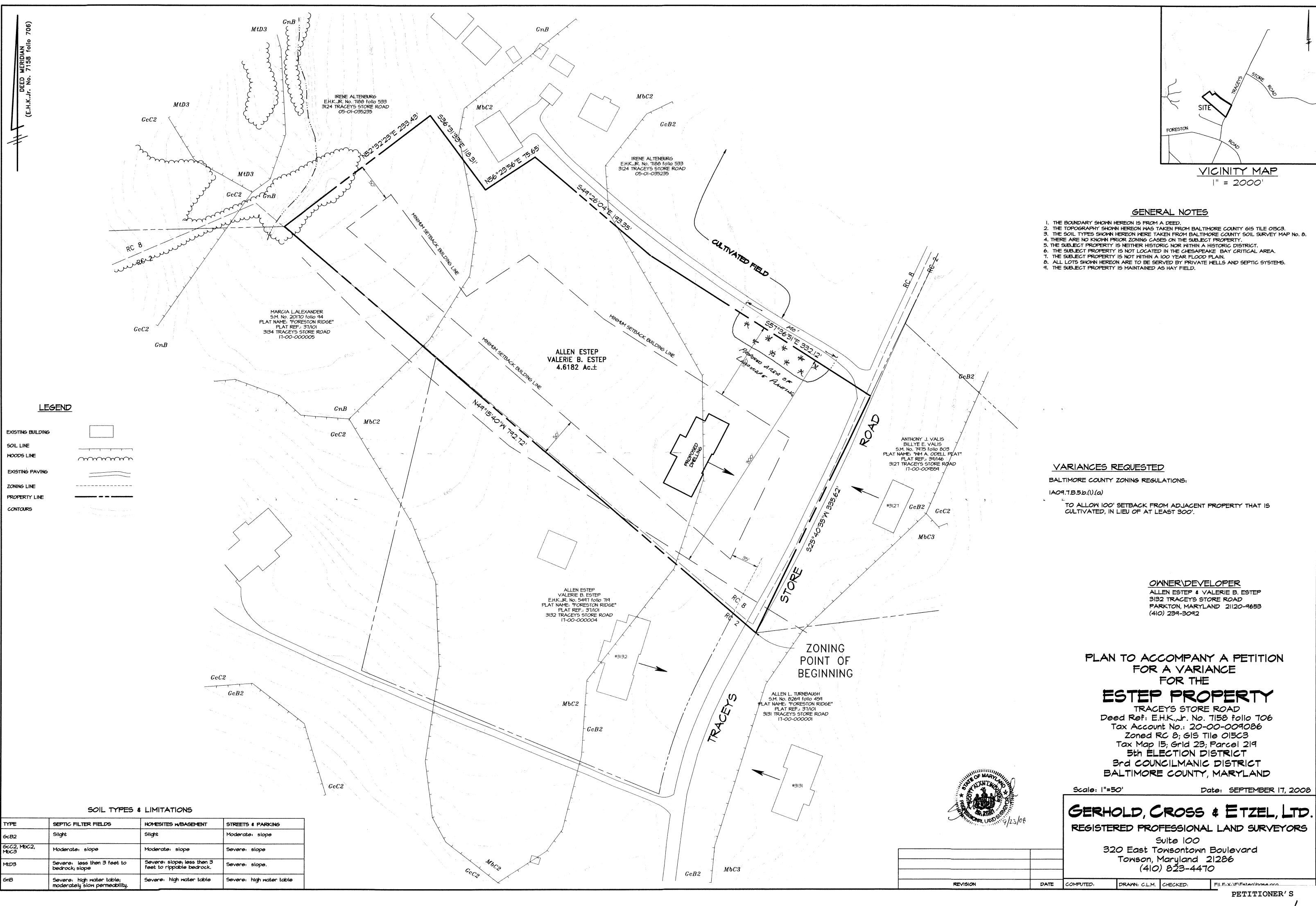


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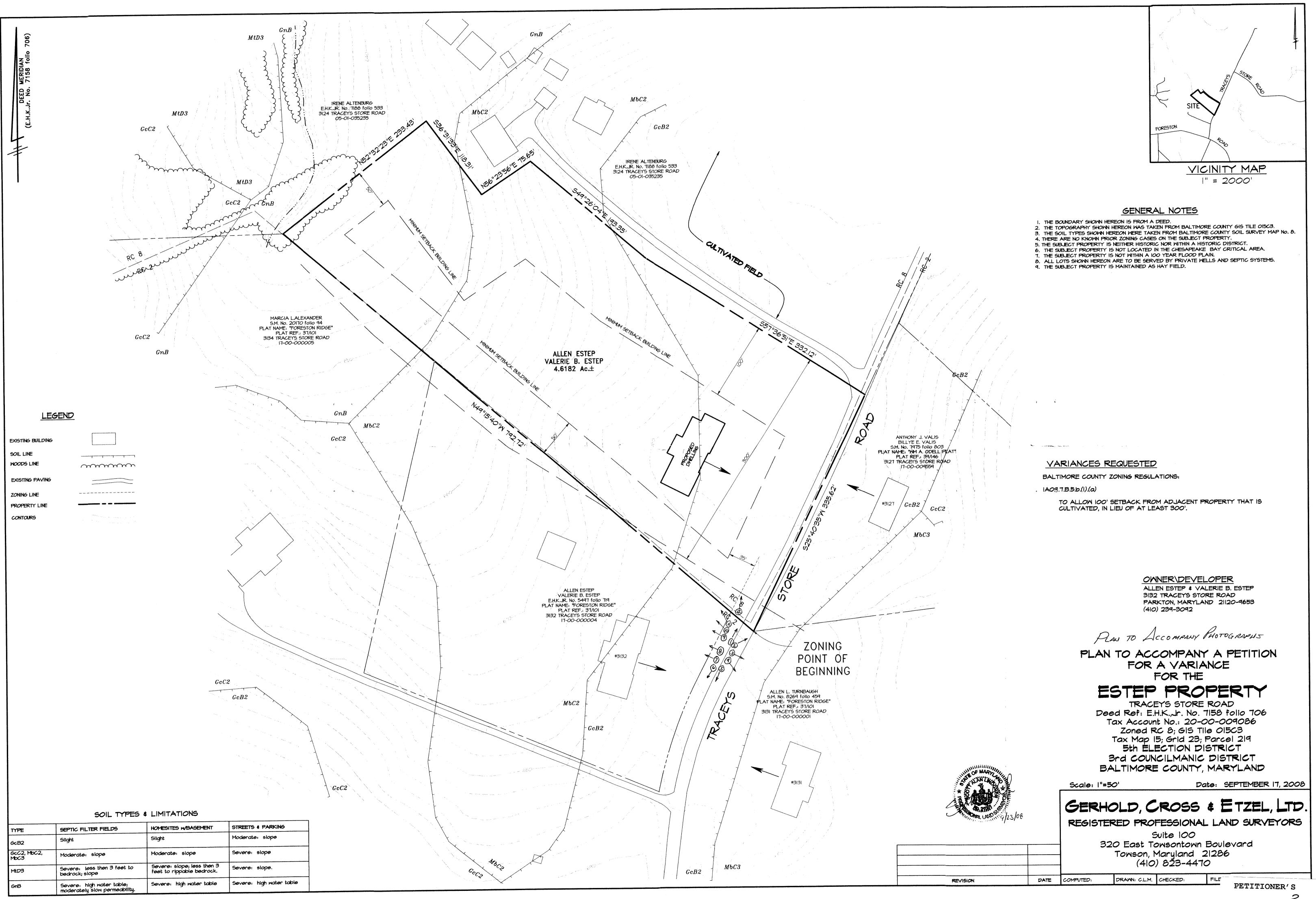


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