Maryland Forest Service
Project Review

Project Name:	CleanBay Easement
Project Number:	2020DNR255
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Land Unit:	Chesapeake Forest Lands
County:	Somerset
Region:	Eastern
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Project Type:	Project Review
Customer Type:	Utility
Request Type:	Easement
Critical Area:	NA
Master Plan:	NA
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Review Due:	2020.11.02 – planned project meeting on Nov 2 where review comments and info can be addressed.

Project Description: CleanBay requests an easement of approximately 3,700' long, 60' wide corridor for a private road extension of an existing unimproved road across DNR (Chesapeake Forest Lands) in Somerset County, MD. CleanBay proposes to improve approximately 2,240 feet of the road which is already in place, including Benson Rd and a forest road on Chesapeake Forest Lands, adding approximately 1,490 feet of new road extension. See 2020DNR255 CFL CleanBay Easement Map.pdf attachment.

General Site Conditions:
This portion of Benson Road already serves several utility easements. This easement request avoids wetland impingements. CleanBay owns property directly adjacent to the east of the DNR properties and proposes a possible even exchange of property consisting of a natural hardwood forest in lieu of cash if DNR mutually agrees. The existing DNR property, beyond the Proposed Transload Site, see map, is currently a loblolly pine plantation.

Description:
The proposed easement will provide benefit to the Somerset County community by reducing the traffic count on Old Princess Anne Road in Westover, just to the east of the CleanBay property, which could serve as an alternative, but less favorable option. Furthermore, the logistics operations are significantly screened and sound is abated due to forestation of the alternative ingress and egress on Benson Road (a Somerset County road) and the proposed easement. CleanBay improvements to Benson Road and DNR's use of CleanBay's private road will facilitate additional access for forest stand management on the eastern DNR tract that currently has no road access.

This easement will provide benefit to CleanBay Renewables by providing access to rail for distribution of its fertilizer product. This access will also provide alternative ingress and egress for trucks on Benson Road, as opposed to utilizing only Old Princess Anne Road.

Attached:

1) Project Vicinity Map
2) Google Map vicinity location #1 (screen capture)
3) Google Map vicinity location #2 (screen capture)

Other (click link below for digital location):

1) Google Map