

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A CHESAPEAKE BAY RESTORATION FEE
FINANCIAL HARDSHIP EXEMPTION FOR RESIDENTIAL DWELLINGS**

WHEREAS, the State of Maryland has established a Bay Restoration Fee to be paid by any user of a wastewater facility, an onsite sewage disposal system, or a holding tank that: (i) is located in the State; or (ii) serves a Maryland user and is eligible for funding under subtitle 16 of Title 9 of the *Environment Article* of the Maryland Annotated Code.

WHEREAS, pursuant to §9-1605.2(d)(1) of the *Environment Article* of the Maryland Annotated Code, subject to the approval of the Administration, a local government or a billing authority for a water or wastewater facility shall establish a program to exempt from the requirements of that section a residential dwelling able to demonstrate substantial financial hardship as a result of the restoration fee; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County, Maryland finds that it is in the best interests of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Calvert County to adopt a financial hardship exemption program in a form and scope as required by the Maryland Department of the Environment Guidelines for this exemption, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and made a part hereof, with the maximum income requirements as may be established by the Maryland Department of the Environment from time to time.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County, Maryland hereby adopts the attached financial hardship exemption program for residential customers in a form and scope as required by the Maryland Department of the Environment Guidelines for this exemption, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and made a part hereof, with the maximum income requirements as may be established by the Maryland Department of the Environment from time to time.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County, Maryland that the Director of the Calvert County Department of Public Works is delegated the authority to submit documentation of the program adopted herein to the Administration for approval and modify the maximum income requirements of the local program as may be established by the Maryland Department of the Environment from time to time.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County, Maryland that the foregoing recitals are adopted as if fully rewritten herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution hereby adopted shall be effective upon the latter of: (1) recordation; or (2) approval of the program adopted herein by the Administration.

DONE, this 12th day of February, 2013, by the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County, Maryland, sitting in regular session.

Aye: 4

Nay: 0

Absent/Abstain: Clark

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CALVERT COUNTY, MARYLAND

Maureen L. Frederick
Maureen L. Frederick, Clerk

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Steven R. Weems, Vice President

Approved for form and legal sufficiency on February 7, 2013 by:

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OF PRIZES AND RESOLUTION.

John P. Smith

BAY RESTORATION FUND
FINANCIAL HARDSHIP EXEMPTION

The Bay Restoration Fund financial hardship exemption allows certain residential properties that demonstrate substantial financial hardship to be granted a waiver (exemption) from paying the Bay Restoration Fee.

If you are:

1. A resident of Calvert County and a homeowner or lease holder of record and receive an individual real property tax bill or an individual quarterly water/wasterwater usage bill.

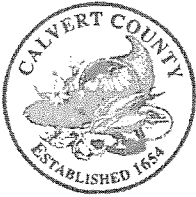
And you meet at least two of the following conditions:

1. Certified as eligible for:
 - Maryland Energy Assistance Program (MEAP)
 - Supplemental Social Security Income (SSI)
 - Food Stamps
 - Veteran's Benefits
 - Social Security Disability Benefits
 OR
2. Meet the income criteria below

Household Size	(7/1/2012 – 6/30/2013) Maximum Monthly Income	(7/1/2012 – 6/30/2013) Maximum Yearly Income
1	\$1,628.95	\$19,547.50
2	\$2,206.45	\$26,477.50
3	\$2,783.95	\$33,407.50
4	\$3,361.45	\$44,337.50
5	\$3,938.95	\$47,267.50
6	\$4,516.45	\$54,197.50
Additional persons, add	Add \$577.50 each	\$6,930.00

You must submit the exemption application and required proof of eligibility. Please submit copies of required documents along with the application.

Please note that the exemption is only valid for one year; applications must be renewed yearly.



**Residential Application For Bay Restoration Fee
Financial Hardship Exemption**

CALVERT COUNTY GOVERNMENT
175 Main Street
Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Please print

APPLICANT

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE INITIAL
MAILING ADDRESS		
TELEPHONE NUMBER		
PROPERTY ADDRESS		

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

1. The property must receive an individual real property tax bill or an individual quarterly water/wastewater usage bill.
2. Applicant must meet at least 2 of the following conditions to be eligible for the exemption. **Attach a copy of appropriate documentation that verifies compliance with any checked conditions.**

- Receiving energy assistance subsidy
- Receiving supplemental security income (SSI) or food stamps
- Receiving veterans or social security disability benefits
- Meets the following monthly income criteria:

Provide the following information:

Household Size: _____
 Monthly income: \$ _____
 Social Security No.: _____

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*Source: Maryland Department of Human Resources/Office of Home Energy Programs

I, the undersigned, do hereby declare under penalties of perjury that the information provided is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, correct, and complete. I also understand that the completion of this application authorizes Calvert County Government to verify income information provided with the information on my last Maryland State Tax Return

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE _____
 DATE _____

DATE REVIEWED: _____	BY: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> APPROVED	<input type="checkbox"/> DENIED
TAX BILLING EFFECTIVE: JUL 1, _____ to JUN 30, _____	REASON: _____
UTILITY BILLING CYCLE __, EFFECTIVE: _____	_____

Effective July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013