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## CERTIFIED MAIL

December 18, 2012

Maryland Department of Planning Richard E. Hall, Secretary 301 West Preston Street, Suite 1101 Baltimore, MD 21201

Subject: Tier Mapping

Dear Secretary Hall,

The Town of Hampstead is hereby administratively submitting our Tier Mapping as required by SB 236. Explanation of the map is as follows:

- 1. Those areas identified as Tier I and Tier II are in accordance with the Carroll County 2011 Sewer Master Plan for the Town of Hampstead.
- 2. The area identified as Tier III is currently all septic systems and is not planned to be served by the Carroll County 2011 Sewer Master Plan for Hampstead.
- 3. The area identified as Tier IV is what we refer to as the "Bog Turtle" area. This area is not in the planned sewer service area, it is a water recharge area, and it is under public conservation as well as a resource protection area. As you know it is also an endangered species area under the auspices of the DNR, U.S. Fish and Game and the Army Corps of Engineers.
- 4. We did not identify Tiers in the Planned Growth Area which is still in the County and not in the Town limits.



5. The Hampstead Town Council also approved (December 11, 2012) increasing the definition of a "Minor Subdivision" from two to seven. We will forward a copy of the final ordinance change for your records.

Although we realize MDP has taken a different position relative to the Tiers process in SB 236 the Hampstead Town Council and Administration feels this map is an accurate reflection of our current situation. We will forward a GIS Shapefile for your use as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

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cc: Mayor Nevin

Carroll County Dept of Land Use, Planning, and Development

Jason Dubow, MDP Melissa Appler, MDP

Encl: Hampstead Tier Map