



Maryland Department of Planning

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March 7, 2013

Charles F. "Skip" Kauffman, Mayor
Town of Boonsboro
21 North Main Street
Boonsboro, MD 21713

Dear Mayor Kauffman:

RE: MDP's review of adopted tier map; No comments

Thank you for providing the Department of Planning with a copy of the Town of Boonsboro Growth Tier Map, adopted by the Town of Boonsboro on November 5, 2012, as indicated in the Town's letter (dated December 13, 2012). This action establishes growth tiers under Title 1, Subtitle 5 of the Land Use Article ("LU") of the Annotated Code of Maryland for the Town of Boonsboro.

LU §1-505 allows the Department to comment on growth tiers adopted by local jurisdictions. The Maryland Department of Planning is pleased to advise you that the map adopted by the Town of Boonsboro satisfies the statutory requirements of LU §1-508 for designation of growth tiers. The Department therefore has no comments on the adopted map.

Please be advised that the law requires that the growth tiers are to be incorporated into the Town's comprehensive plan or an element of the plan when the Town conducts its six year review of the plan. If the growth tiers are not incorporated into the comprehensive plan or an element of the plan during the 6-year review, the law indicates that the growth tiers may not be considered as adopted and the restrictions on major subdivisions outside sewer areas shall apply.

To date, we have not received an adopted tier map from Washington County. The Town's letter (dated December 13, 2012) indicates that "the Town of Boonsboro has agreed with the County's assessment of the lands surrounding the municipal boundary with regard to the designation of tiers"; therefore, we do not anticipate that the County map would be in conflict with the Town's adopted map.

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Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Rich Josephson".

Rich Josephson
Director of Planning Services

cc: Megan Clark, Town Manager/Zoning Administrator, Town of Boonsboro
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