

Conservation District 500 East Main Street

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investigations.

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construction of the multi-purpose flood control dam and recreation site on Lower Cove Run, known as Lost River site # 16. One of the first steps will be to determine exactly what property will be involved. Based on a review of Hardy County tax maps it appears that all or portions of your property may be within the project area. NRCS engineers will need to conduct on-site surveys to make this determination.

Enclosed is a form for your consideration and signature that gives permission to perform engineering surveys and conduct archeological and geological investigations. This form does not convey any type of easement. It simply gives permission for the Potomac Valley Conservation

District or our agents to enter your property to conduct necessary field surveys and site

The Potomac Valley Conservation District (PVCD) and the Hardy County Commission has asked the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) to begin design work for the

To accomplish the survey work, some cutting of brush, limbs and small saplings may be necessary. Geological investigation will require digging of test pits with a backhoe or similar type of equipment and drilling with skid or truck mounted drill rig. This may require some dozer work to create access. Archeological investigations will consist primarily of hand dug pits. All disturbed areas resulting from any of this work will be reclaimed to prior conditions and reseeded.

Please sign and return the enclosed permit as soon as possible to the PVCD office in Romney. Upon completion of this work, a land rights map will be developed to identify exactly what property will be involved in the project. If your property is affected, PVCD representatives will contact you to begin needed appraisal work. If you have questions regarding this request please

contact the PVCD office at 304-822-5174, or Ed Kesecker, NRCS district conservationist at