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ANNOUNCEMENT

TO: All Interested Individuals

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SUBJECT: Green Card Training

For more than three decades, Maryland has operated a comprehensive erosion and sediment control program. Mandated aspects of the program include certification of contractors and other personnel in positions of responsibility for implementation of sediment controls. Pollution prevention forms the cornerstone of the sediment control program and the education of construction industry and regulatory personnel is essential to the successful prevention of sediment pollution, and management of urban runoff.

Contractors and other construction industry personnel knowledgeable about erosion and sediment control principles, implementation techniques, and specifications associated with various best management practices are an essential component of Maryland's statewide sediment control program. Recognizing the necessity of education to successful program implementation, the Maryland General Assembly amended the original sediment control law to require certification of people in positions of responsibility for on-site sediment control implementation. Regulations specific to program content and administration were subsequently developed.

Historically, this educational effort has been supported by program development, presentation of seminars, and educational programs. As a continuation of this effort, we are pleased to announce that the Maryland Department of the Environment's (MDE) Responsible Personnel Certification Program for Erosion and Sediment Control ("Green Card" Class) will be offered at the **4-H Park in Denton, MD** on **Wednesday, November 10, 2010**. The meeting will begin promptly at **8:00 A.M.** and end at approximately 12:30 P.M. All individuals are encouraged to attend.

Seating is limited and pre-registration is required. Please reserve seats for the total number of attendees from your office/agency by contacting Ms. Trista North, Caroline Soil Conservation District, at (410) 479-1202, ext. 122 or via email at Trista.North@md.nacdnet.net. **There is \$35.00 fee for this training opportunity which to be paid to the Caroline Soil Conservation District.**

**4-H Park
Detour Road (off Rt.16)
Denton, MD**