**Preliminary Voluntary Easement Application**

**Patuxent Tidewater Land Trust, Inc. Land Conservation Programs**

I/We, the undersigned owners of land which is located in St. Mary's County, Maryland, hereby submit a preliminary application for an easement on the property identified in the following ways:

Property Address: Acreage:

 Deed Reference: Book Page

 (if known)

 Tax Map: Map Block Parcel

 (if known)

I/We understand that the conservation easement will be a recorded agreement with the Patuxent Tidewater Land Trust, Inc. (PTLT) and collectively or individually Maryland‘s Department of Natural Resources, Maryland’s Environmental Trust and the United States of America acting through the Department of the Navy. With the extinguishing of development rights, this easement will prohibit current and subsequent owners of the property from conducting certain activities specified in this easement as being detrimental to the agricultural, forestry, natural, historic, or scenic resources that make the property significant for preservation. I/We also understand that I/We will retain all rights to the property other than those specifically conveyed by us in the deed of this conservation easement.

I/We understand that an easement will require the agricultural operations on the property to be conducted according to a plan approved by the St. Mary's County Soil Conservation District.

*I/We understand that this application is an indication of a serious interest in placing a conservation easement on the described property but is not a binding contract to do so.*

I/We understand that the terms of the Rural Legacy Program, Stateside Program Open Space, or the Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (REPI) program are subject to change between this date and the date of a final application, and that there is no guarantee that PTLT will be able to purchase or accept the donation of an easement on this property.

I/We understand this application is based on the assumption that PTLT will receive a government grant.

Owner’s Signature Date Owner’s Signature Date

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Owner who will be primary contact person:

Mailing address of contact person:

Telephone number: Home / Cell: Work:

Email address:

**PLEASE RETURN APPLICATION TO:**

**Patuxent Tidewater Land Trust, Inc.**

**PO Box 1955, Leonardtown, MD 20650**

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