



December 23, 2024

Ginette Gaffney
3049 Hickory Meade Road
Ellicott City, MD 21042

RE: FY 2025 Howard County Bay Restoration Fund OSDS Upgrade Program

Dear Ginette,

Thank you for your application to participate in the Howard County Bay Restoration Fund OSDS Upgrade Program. The Howard County Health Department has verified that the existing septic system at **3049 Hickory Meade Road, Ellicott City, MD** is failing and that a connection to the **Little Patuxent Water Reclamation Plant** is the most cost effective and environmentally sensitive solution. Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) reviewed the cost proposal to extend sewer to your property and determined it is eligible to be paid for using a Bay Restoration Fund grant.

Based on your 2023 tax information, you are eligible to receive funding to cover **100%** of the total cost of your connection to public sewer. The total cost includes the low contractor bid of **\$12,980** and any portion of the Howard County Sewer Connection fee that is not eligible for reimbursement by the County. If you select a contractor whose installation cost is higher than the low bid of **\$12,980**, you will be responsible for additional costs. Upon project completion, CVI will request payment from MDE and will then pay the grant award of **\$12,980 directly to the contractor** and reimburse you for the Howard County Sewer Connection Fee of **remainder of \$25k up to \$5,100**.

To accept the conditions of this grant award, please sign and return this letter to us via email or at the address below *prior to scheduling construction*. If you need assistance or have any questions, you may contact us at 304-704-3340 or bayrestorationfund@canaanvi.org.

Sincerely,

Gail Berrigan
Executive Director

I have read and agree to the conditions of this Agreement Letter.

Signature

Date

Accepted by: Ginette Gaffney, Property Owner