

**Franklin Farm Foundation
Administrative Resolution #34**

Pond Maintenance

WHEREAS, Article IV, Section 1 of the Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions provides that the Franklin Farm Foundation shall be responsible for the management and control of the Common Area and shall keep it in good, clean, attractive and sanitary condition, order and repair; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Administrative Resolution No. 2 adopted May 3, 1983, the Board of Trustees created the Open Space Committee;

WHEREAS, with the maturing of Franklin Farm, the maintenance and expense associated with pond management has accelerated; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Open Space Committee to establish general management options to maintain the health of the ponds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Trustees adopts the following policy for the general management of the dry and wet ponds located on Common Areas within Franklin Farm:

The Governing Documents of the Franklin Farm Foundation established the basic authority for maintaining the open space within the community. The grassy areas, small forests, streams, seventeen dry ponds and six wet ponds play a vital role in storm water quality and quantity management in the community. They are an asset for residents and demonstrate the natural beauty of the area as well as provide food, cover and nesting for wildlife. These natural areas provide areas for recreation and education for those interested in plants and wildlife.

Ponds

The Foundation believes that the preservation and conservation of the ponds will provide aesthetic, recreational, wildlife and water quality benefits to all community members. Many of the existing ponds on the property are stormwater management ponds. The Foundation will therefore endeavor to monitor and maintain the ponds in accordance with the Fairfax County Maintenance Guidelines for Dry/Wet Ponds and Lakes. However, the Foundation will not be able to achieve the County standard for the maintenance for new pond development because the Foundation's wet ponds are old "farm" ponds.

Responsibilities

Open Space Committee

Stream Channels

1. To identify sites showing signs of active channel erosion within all channels leading to both wet and dry ponds and to take appropriate measures to address the problem.

7/21/04
Date

Larry Danforth
Larry Danforth, President

Attest:

Carol Teigen
Carol Teigen, Executive Director

I hereby certify that a vote was duly taken and the above Resolution was adopted by a vote of two-thirds of the Trustees of the Board of Trustees at the meeting of the Board of Trustees on the 21 day of July, 2004.

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Barbara B Fielding
Barbara Fielding, Secretary

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