

## DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Marc Elrich
County Executive

Jon Monger Director

December 15, 2023

Trippy Goat Farm LLC c/o Stanley Enterprises LLC 20311 Beallsville Road Beallsville, MD 20839

Re: ECCD Case #20232631

Agricultural Burn Permit

Property accessed by 20311 Beallsville Road

MD Dept of Assessments and Taxation Number 11-00917124

Dear Trippy Goat Farm LLC,

Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is issuing the attached Agricultural Burn Permit to Trippy Goat Farm LLC for an agricultural burn at 20311 Beallsville Road, Beallsville.

Please ensure that all conditions of the permit are met prior to conducting any burn. On October 23, 2024, I inspected four burn piles. All four burn piles were located on the northeast side of the farm near the property line.

Any fire which does not meet the criteria established for an agricultural burn will be deemed an open fire by DEP and is prohibited by Montgomery County's Air Quality Control Ordinance. The penalty for an air ordinance violation is \$500 for the first offense. Each day a violation continues may be considered a separate offense.

Agricultural burns may occur from September 1<sup>st</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup>. There is an exception to the burning prohibition during the period from June 1 through August 31 of each year for the burning of pest infested crops or products, agricultural burning that is necessary for animal disease control, and agricultural burning of excessive lodging for the purpose of re-cropping. Confirmation of such conditions is to be obtained, in writing by the applicant, from the Maryland Cooperative Extension Service prior to requesting an agricultural burning permit from DEP.

Our objective is to eliminate or minimize potential problems created by open burning, not to issue citations. If you have any questions or would like a copy of Montgomery County's Air Quality Control Ordinance or Maryland Department of the Environment's regulations on open fires, please call me at (202) 308-2351.

Sincerely,

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Environmental Health Specialist III

Enclosure