DOUGLAS F. GANSLER

KATHERINE WINFREE
CHIEF DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

JOHN B. HOWARD, JR.

STEVEN R. JOHNSON PRINCIPAL COUNSEL

ANDREA S. BAKER LYNN R. ANGOTTI DEPUTY COUNSEL

WRITER'S DIRECT DIAL NO. (410) 537-3352

paul.desantis@maryland.gov



OFFICE OF
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT
1800 WASHINGTON BLVD, SUITE 6048
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21230
FAX: (410) 537-3943

February 28, 2014

HELEN E. AKPARANTA PRISCILLA N. CARROLL ELLEN W. COHILL CHRIS S. CORZINE PAUL N. DE SANTIS KRISTENS, DE WIRE ROBERTA R. JAMES GEORGE A. KOHUTIAK SARIM. LEVIN JEANEEN M. LOGAN JONATHAN E.C. MAY JEAN POPE MARY E. RAIVEL MICHAEL F. STRANDE LAWRENCE A. THROWER
PATRICIA V. TIPON
EMILY A. VAINIERI
STEPHANIE COBB WILLIAMS NANCY W. YOUNG MATTHEW ZIMMERMAN

ASSISTANT ATTORNEYS GENERAL

PATRICK C. SMITH MATTHEW D. STANDEVEN STAFF ATTORNEYS

Timothy C. Burke, Esq.
County Attorney
Department of the County Attorney
Carroll County Government
Carroll County Office Building
225 North Center Street
Westminster, Maryland 21157

RE: Stormwater Remediation Fee and Local Watershed Protection and Restoration Fund

## Mr. Burke:

I am writing in response to your letter dated February 27, 2014, in which you memorialized Carroll County's proposal to enact a stormwater remediation fee pursuant to § 4-202.1(e) of the Environment Article, Maryland Annotated Code. The Department and the Office of the Attorney General have reviewed the proposal and believe that the proposed fee complies with § 4-202.1(e)(3)(ii)(3) of the Environment Article, Maryland Annotated Code.

Your letter did not provide any further information regarding Carroll County's stormwater program, thus, the Department does not take any position regarding compliance with any other provision of § 4-202.1 of the Environment Article, Maryland Annotated Code.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Paul N. De Santis

Assistant Attorney General

) To

cc: Jay Sakai, MDE