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Subject: attachments For the Record Aviation Business Park - disapproval - threats to Mattawoman
Attachments: WCD pamphlet after adoption 5 Both pages only (14) (1) (4).pdf

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2009 Mattawoman named One of America's Most Endangered Rivers.

<https://www.chesapeakebay.net/news/blog/mattawoman-creek-named-one-of-americas-most-endangered-rivers>
2012 [https://dnr.maryland.gov/fisheries/Documents/Mattawoman Ecosystem Final Report March 2012.pdf](https://dnr.maryland.gov/fisheries/Documents/Mattawoman_Ecosystem_Final_Report_March_2012.pdf)

Mattawoman Creek & Port Tobabbco River in the Watershed Conservation District.   

Changes to WCD

- 1) county PowerPoint - covers most of the changes - so far - but they left out some WCD "mistakes" in individual properties, where the WCD was removed.
- 2) attached is the MWS brochure on the WCD - all of the good points!

COUNTY WCD POWERPOINT:

[https://go.boarddocs.com/md/chrlsco/Board.nsf/files/BYWGHW43F343/\\$file/WCD%20Briefing%20March%202021.pdf](https://go.boarddocs.com/md/chrlsco/Board.nsf/files/BYWGHW43F343/$file/WCD%20Briefing%20March%202021.pdf)

(accomplished) slide 6 is a change of WCD grandfathering rules to allow two properties in the WCD to be removed. (one of those properties is critical to the proposal to resurrect the Cross County Connector the East-West 4-lane county highway that was previously denied by the ACOE and the MDE due to the detrimental Mattawoman Creek impacts.

(accomplished) slides 7- 8 - 9 - removal of the 558 acres in the WCD around the airport, removal of the Priority Preservation Area. The forested 558 acres are designated Audubon Important Bird Areas and are located on steep slopes that drain into the Mattawpoman main stem, above two identified *Nuencse Flooding* areas. <https://www.charlescountymd.gov/services/emergency-services/emergency-preparedness/nuisance-and-urban-flooding>

(in the process now - Planning Commission passed - being reviewed by the state now - still has to be approved by the elected County Commissioners) Slide 11 - the new Bryans Road Sub-area Plan designates most of the WCD in Bryans Road as high-density land. Passed by the Planning Commission - yet to be approved by the County Commissioners. (This Sub-area Plan is not consistent with the 2016 Comprehensive plans' vision for Bryans Road. The county is considering the Sub-area plan as an amendment to the Couptheniesive Plan - considering the Sub-Area Plan as the amendment process for removing the WCD with the state. In Bryans Road the area in the WCD that is targeted for removal is also designed as Tier IV in the Comp Plan - CC did not change the Septic Map to be consistent in the Bryans Road Sub-Area Plan - we are not sure if the state will discover this proposed change of the Tier map from Tier IV to Tier II - and comment in their Clearing House comments. If they

do not see this change, it seems the issue should go back to the Clearing House for another 60-comment period.)

Slide 12 - all of the land in the WCD was/is eligible for Rural Legacy - BUT because the county supported the airport expansion - the Rural Legacy was cut off below the airport. Even though the Comp Plan designated Mattawoman as a Rural Legacy Area - The Nanjemoy -Mattawoman RLA, we had to push hard to get any Mattawoman included in the RL at all. Charles County only proposed Nanjemoy.

(accomplished) Slide 13 the intrafamily transfer change makes it easier for speculative transfers by cutting out the 10-year ownership before subdividing the WCD parcel transfer.

Slides 14 - 15 ?? not sure ?? this is an issue that needs better understanding. How is it that the density stays the same but the lot size has been changed to 3 acres?

Slides 16 - 18 - 19
about removing the 1100 acres in the Port Tobacco Watershed.