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I do not support the airport rezoning - see - Maryland Department of Planning notes:

Much of the land area proposed for the change in land use is identified by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) as a Targeted Ecological Area, defined as “lands and watersheds of high ecological value that have been identified as conservation priorities.” Portions of the area are also within protected easements. Further, it appears that the property is also located within the county’s Priority Preservation Area (PPA), which preserves agricultural lands. Therefore, the proposed plan amendments may have a significant impact on Charles County’s resource conservation/water quality protection efforts.

MDP Comments:

There is no question that the expanded airport land use would require increased amounts of impervious surface for a larger runway, new taxiways, larger hangers and aprons, parking, industrial park roofs parking lots, roads, etc. In addition to generating more stormwater runoff, airports require chemicals for clearing runways, de-icing and servicing planes, firefighting, etc., not to mention increased road salting for complementary development.

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