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Comprehensive Plan Amendment – Lands Surrounding Maryland Airport

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The amendment to the Charles County Comprehensive Plan which would remove 583 acres from the Watershed Conservation District is unacceptable and, if passed, will negatively impact the health and well-being of the surrounding community and Charles County at large. As climate change becomes more severe year over year, it is extremely irresponsible to remove substantial acreage from a natural area that helps protect our County from natural disasters and extreme temperatures. The expansion of the airport and development of an industrial park will increase pollution in the County, including lead pollution, which causes irreversible damage to the human body and environment. The runway of the airport is only 2,100 feet from two middle schools, it's expansion will allow for vulnerable children to be exposed to increased levels of poisonous lead and pollution. The aquatic ecosystem supported by Mattawoman Creek is irreplaceable and directly contributes to the health and resiliency of the Potomac River and Chesapeake Bay. These unique and precious natural resources will not be able to recover from continued development. The benefits

of preserving Mattawoman Creek will be experienced for generations to come, while the destruction of this ecosystem will only result in short lived gain for those who have no stake in our community. Please prioritize the health and well-being of Charles County residents over corporate profits and reckless development.

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