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Airport

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## Comprehensive Plan Amendment – Lands Surrounding Maryland Airport

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## **Public Hearing Comment Form**

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# Are you:

**Against Topic** 

#### Comment

Please vote against the amendment to remove the Water Conservation District that protects the Mattawoman Creek Watershed land surrounding the airport. The stated purpose of the Amendment is to allow the expansion of an airport whose leaded gas propeller planes pollute local communities. In addition, the Amendment is a threat to the nationally recognized bass fishing habitat that drives local ecotourism. Passing the Amendment would fragment forest and wildlife corridors in an area with documented biodiversity, as the worldwide climate crisis is expressing itself in our region via flooding and forest loss. Local governments have a responsibility to consider holistically the contribution to the global climate crisis. Airplanes have a big fossil fuel footprint, and the airport expansion, for which the amendment was devised, represents removal of the benefits to the community of the protections and economic opportunities afforded by this land and transferring it to a private out-of-county owner. Commissioners at the hearing

repeatedly denied environmental damage from the airport expansion, which is totally inconsistent with the content of the scientific reports which spurred the creation of the Watershed Conservation District, in the first place. Please vote against the amendment.

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