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Comprehensive Plan Amendment – Lands Surrounding Maryland Airport

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Public Hearing Comment Form

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I am opposed to 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 a large expansion of the airport. The airport expansion represents removal of the benefits to the community of the protections and economic opportunities afforded by this land by transferring it to a private out-of-county owner. Airplanes have a large fossil fuel footprint and use leaded gas that pollutes local communities. The Amendment would increase flooding and forest loss, fragmenting forest and wildlife corridors in an area with documented biodiversity, and threaten a nationally recognized bass fishing habitat that drives local ecotourism. Scientific reports which spurred the creation of the Watershed Conservation District and elucidate the environmental damage that the airport

expansion would cause have been repeatedly denied by the hearing Commissioners. Local governments have a responsibility to consider their contributions to the global climate crisis.

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