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Please see below comments on the Clarksburg master plan from Royce.

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Dear Francoise & Board Members,

I write with reluctance on the Clarksburg amendment. I appreciate as few can the complications of the matter before you, but hope that I can offer a perspective from one that has walked in your shoes. You undoubtedly heard much cogent testimony on the facts and the issues they raise. I will not recite them here but turn instead to more fundamental considerations.

The Clarksburg amendment is one of those rare occasions when you are called upon to make a legacy decision--one that will characterize your reputations as trustees of the future of the county. There have been only a few of these occasions in the long history of the Planning Board. They include adoption of the General Plan; creation of the stream valley park system; decisions about the future of strategic activity centers such as Bethesda, Silver Spring, and White Flint; creation of the Agricultural Reserve; establishment of Little Seneca Lake as a regional emergency water supply reservoir; and modernization of the zoning code.

You will decide if you will be known as the board that defiled that last clean watershed in the county for development of no lasting significance and certain harm, or as stewards of the land and a resource that your predecessors established and have protected for a generation at no little cost to the taxpayers of the county.

Yours is a more important decision than those I mentioned above because the nature of it places you in a different moral position than the normal planning or development decision that comes before you. In most cases, you are simply making a decision about the regulation of private property and its impact on others. Here you are the guardians of the property most affected by your decision; property the commission bought and manages with public funds; property you hold *in trust* for the benefit of the public. The concept of public trust is as old as the Roman Republic and deeply imbedded in the common law. It holds that each generation has a duty to pass on to those that follow the common resources of the public in shape as good as it received them.

In the future scheme of things, it matters little whether there are 1000 houses more or less in Clarksburg, or several hundreds of thousands of square feet of other stuff. It matters greatly where they are put and how it affects the future of the place and the critical resources of the watershed and lake. It matters whether the Planning Board abandons the people of Clarksburg Town Center and makes it even harder and longer than it has been thus far to complete its market and civic core.

I urge you, therefore, to beware of excuses for actions that seem to satisfy or pacify today's competing voices and reach for solid scientific and moral justifications for actions that address the future of place and region. What else is a planning board for?

Respectfully,

Royce

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Dear Chair Carrier,

On September 10, I testified in support of 4% impervious cap in the Ten Mile Creek area. I want to add my comments to the written record, and add information I didn't include in my testimony.

I am very concerned about clean water in Montgomery County and the entire Washington DC area. As I mentioned in my oral testimony on September 10, we, as taxpayers and residents, should be very concerned about the cost of clean water. I often feel like the man that follows the elephant with the shovel. One of those shovels is the MS4 permit, mandated through the State of Maryland by EPA under the Clean Water Act, and implemented in our County by DEP. Under the MS4 permit, which costs taxpayers millions of dollars, DEP is supposed to maintain and improve the health of our waterways.

The Planning Department's staff report foresees Ten Mile Creek's condition worsening with the development they suggest. I really don't understand, as a taxpayer and clean water advocate, how that can be allowed under the Clean Water Act.

I also want to mention the Clarksburg Master Plan. Whether it was a good idea or not to build a town in Clarksburg given the absence of public transit, the people of Clarksburg deserve completion of Phase 1-3, including their Town Center, that was promised to them. After full build out of Phase 1-3 of the Clarksburg Master Plan, clean water and our environment deserve a several year waiting period so the true environmental impact of full Phase 1-3 can be understood.

So, whether the Planning Board believes the stormwater runoff and pollutants that always accompany development the size of Phase 4 Pulte and Peterson proposals can be mitigated or not, the Planning Board, according to their charter, has the responsibility to measure and evaluate the impact of Phase 1-3 on Ten Mile Creek.

Pulte and Peterson are national developers intimately knowledgeable with Master Plan process and laws at national, state and local levels. They knew the speculative risk they took when they bought the land at Ten Mile

Creek. We cannot and should not violate and cause great harm to that land, and to the long term health of County residents, so those national companies can make more profit.

What I would like to see is Pulte and Peterson using the advantage our tax laws offer to create a tax deductible conservation area forever for the land on which they speculated.

I thank you and the Board for spending the time on this matter that it deserves.

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Dear Chair Carrier and Planning Commissioners,

Please accept the statement below from the Maryland Department of Natural Resources Habitat Conservation Matrix Team, regarding the Ten Mile Creek Area Limited Amendment, pertaining to the Public Hearing Draft for the September 10, 2013 hearing.

*While studies have shown ESD to the MEP can reduce nutrient and sediment loads in the built environment, we are not aware of studies that have evaluated its effectiveness in maintaining or improving biological functions. Therefore, we support conservation of forested landscapes as the best means to protect ecological conditions that sustain biological resources.*

If you need further information from our Team please contact me by replying to this email or calling me at (410) 260-8603.

Yours,

Scott Stranko

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Dear Chair Carrier, Commissioners and Staff,

Attached is the July 25th, 2013 report on behalf of the Save Ten Mile Creek Coalition on the Limited Amendment draft that was current as of late July. Since this prior staff draft was close to the Public Hearing Draft, and I am not 100% sure that this report was formally submitted to you for the record, I am sending it to you now.

Thanks for considering our views and input  
for clean drinking water,

Diane

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"Do unto those downstream as you would have those upstream do unto you."  
– Wendell Berry

# SAVE TEN MILE CREEK COALITION



Analysis of the Montgomery County Planning Board  
Staff Draft – 10 Mile Creek Area Limited Amendment  
Clarksburg Master Plan and Hyattstown Special Study Area

***Staff Draft Recommendations  
for Master Plan Amendment  
Would Damage Ten Mile Creek Headwaters;  
Degrade Water Quality;  
Fail to Deliver Needed Clarksburg Amenities***

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*The Second in a Series of Reports*

Diane Cameron  
Audubon Naturalist Society  
Ten Mile Creek Coalition

*July 25, 2013*

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**The Save Ten Mile Creek Coalition** is made up of over a dozen civic and environmental groups that represent over 20,000 Montgomery County residents. More organizational and individual members join every day. Our current list of local groups includes Am Kolel Jewish Renewal Community, Audubon Naturalist Society, Clean Water Action, Conservation Montgomery; Maryland Native Plant Society, Montgomery Countryside Alliance; Muddy Branch Alliance; Seneca Watershed Partners; Sierra Club Montgomery County Group; Stormwater Partners Network; Sugarloaf Citizens Association; Timber Oak Citizens Association, Watts Branch Watershed Alliance; and WeAreMoco. Find our reports at [www.savetenmilecreek.com](http://www.savetenmilecreek.com); linke us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/SaveTenMileCreek>; follow us on Twitter at @Save10mileCreek.

*Even with the use of ESD [Environmental Site Design], which cannot completely mitigate development impacts, all the scenarios (beyond existing conditions) will affect stream conditions, almost certainly resulting in the loss of the stream's status as a reference stream (against which all other streams are measured)."*

Appendix 3 Ten Mile Creek Watershed Environmental Analysis  
Staff Draft 10 Mile Creek Area Limited Amendment  
Clarksburg Master Plan and Hyattstown Special Study Area

## **Overview**

The staff of the Montgomery Council Planning Board has gone to great pains to "mitigate impacts" on Ten Mile Creek, but the *Staff Draft 10 Mile Creek Area Limited Amendment Clarksburg Master Plan and Hyattstown Special Study Area* suffers from fatal flaws. The staff draft itself predicts that if this plan is implemented it will degrade the water and biological quality of Ten Mile Creek. Because the creek is the last clean tributary to the Little Seneca Reservoir, the implementation of this plan would threaten the emergency drinking water supply for the entire metropolitan Washington, D.C. area.

We appreciate the many pressures on the staff to deliver a plan that satisfies all parties. Good governance requires us to conserve the County's natural resources for current needs and future generations. Developers' financial interests cannot be balanced equally with the quality of our regional drinking water and the natural integrity of Clarksburg.

In short, there are many options to bring the Clarksburg area long-awaited and needed amenities. But once unwise development has harmed Ten Mile Creek, there are no options to bring it back.

Montgomery County has dozens of impaired streams due to our past acceptance of developers' overpromises and failed design and engineering 'solutions'. Two of these damaged waterways are the other tributaries to the Little Seneca Reservoir, the region's emergency drinking water supply. This makes appropriate protection of Ten Mile Creek all the more critical.

This analysis critiques the Planning Board's staff draft. We do so in order to request the plan be revised so it reflects established peer-reviewed science, the recommendations of county, state and national environmental agencies, and our own lessons learned from past attempts to protect County creek systems.

It is possible to protect Ten Mile Creek and still deliver needed services in Clarksburg. We ask that the Planning Board live up to its mandate to provide adequate protection for the County's last pristine waterway.

### ***Impacts on Ten Mile Creek***

Ten Mile Creek is more than just another beautiful stream. It is a critical part of the Montgomery County ecosystem. As the staff report specifically notes, it is particularly sensitive to development. The plans proposed in the Board staff report would have the following effects:

- Critical headwaters of Ten Mile Creek would be destroyed by development. Although the staff attempts to minimize building in some areas, the plan is not sufficient to protect these areas.
- Ten Mile Creek over-all will degrade from a Good-to-Excellent rating in the County Department of Environmental Protection's biological stream rating system, to Fair or Poor, affecting the regional emergency water supply;
- Ten Mile Creek will suffer -- its biodiversity will decline -- so that it will no longer serve as a reference stream, thus depriving Montgomery County of its ecological barometer for measuring the health of other County waterways;
- Heavy loads of additional sediment will be dumped into the lower portion of Ten Mile Creek and into Little Seneca Reservoir itself;
- The most sensitive and highest quality portions of Ten Mile Creek - subwatersheds 110 and 111 - will be ruined. If the current staff draft is approved as now written, hard surfaces will increase in those areas by about 400 percent, critically endangering the creek.

### ***Core Problems with the Staff Draft***

The draft Plan has several core weaknesses that prevent it from delivering on promises to Clarksburg residents while protecting the County's ecosystem.

- The plan retains serious flaws from the 1994 Limited Master Plan for Clarksburg. Specifically, rather than making protection of Ten Mile Creek the focus of this Limited Master Plan Amendment, the draft seeks to balance environmental concerns with provision of additional housing and employment (especially housing). The problem with this unquestioning use of the 1994 Master Plan's "balance" approach is that the quest for "balance" implies that it's acceptable to degrade the quality of Ten Mile Creek in the service of development objectives. *Degradation of Ten Mile Creek - Montgomery's and the entire region's Last, Best Creek - is not acceptable.*
- Too much faith is placed in Environmental Site Design (ESD) and in other engineering fixes (such as swales, rain gardens and other measures). This is despite the plan's own acknowledgement that *"stormwater management structures and facilities could not completely offset inevitable increases in impervious surfaces that accompany development"*

Earlier development in the other two tributaries to the Little Seneca Reservoir, Little Seneca and Cabin Branch, similarly relied on ESD and other forms of stormwater management. These two waterways have now been significantly polluted and downgraded, leaving Ten Mile Creek as the last clean tributary to the reservoir.

- There is no consideration of the increasing intensity of drought cycles or severe weather patterns. As dry weather increases, so does the area's need for the back up drinking water supply at Little Seneca Reservoir. Similarly, as we experience more frequent and more intense storms, stream channel erosion accelerates. We cannot aggravate these changes in weather patterns with the increased sedimentation and erosion caused by avoidable construction and permanent development "footprints." These paved areas will serve as funnels of damaging runoff during storms larger than the one-year design storm required by state stormwater rules.
- Several key questions are left open; including the net over-all amount of hard surfaces (imperviousness) for the watershed should this recommended approach be adopted. The planning staff has indicated it would be in the area of seven percent, although percentages of 25 percent are deemed acceptable in certain areas (~~Miles-Coppola~~ and Egan sites – see summary table below). The most sensitive areas of the creek currently are at less than two percent of paved surfaces, and the watershed over-all is at four percent. Each percent of additional imperviousness translates, in real world terms, to 30 acres of pavement – approximately, for example, two large shopping centers and their parking lots;
- The plan cherry picks from proven measures for protecting sensitive watersheds – rather than using these measures in full to protect the area in question. National, state and local scientists and hard-earned experience call for sound land use planning that fully protects critical headwater areas.

Ten Mile Creek LMPA Staff Draft 7.18.13 – Parcel-Specific Recommendations	
Land Parcel	Recommended Approach
Egan	Environmental Overlay Zone with 25% Imperviousness Limit for new development >5 acres.
Miles-Coppola (Peterson)	Imperviousness Cap of 25% of net tract - same as for Egan.
Pulte	Imperviousness Cap of 8% overall. Sewer service recommended. 0.4 Units/Acre density in an RNC (Rural Neighborhood Cluster) zone, with majority of land to be placed in Legacy Open Space.
County	8% Imperviousness Cap overall, "minimal development" recommended; County plans to use it to expand the County Jail.

- The destruction of Ten Mile Creek -- our last, best creek and a reference stream – and its loss as the last clean tributary to our emergency backup drinking water supply is proposed as a tradeoff for supplying the needs of Town Center residents. Yet, nothing in the draft's Ten Mile Creek development proposals directly answers the needs of Clarksburg Town Center residents for a

centrally-located public gathering place; a grocery store, and other amenities within a close walking distance of the Town Center. Nor does the draft give many details about how the long-promised transit will be provided to the Town Center. The reality is that the degradation of Ten Mile Creek is not necessary in order to provide transit, a grocery store, a central gathering place, and other walkable retail for the Town Center. The completion of all approved projects in the first three stages of Clarksburg's development will be sufficient to provide the "necessary rooftops" for these long-needed projects. What is still needed is the private and public sector commitment and follow-through to deliver on those long-promised amenities.

### ***What the Science and Prior Experience Tell Us***

*Ten Mile Creek is different – more sensitive – than other creeks.*

According to a consultant's memo describing Ten Mile Creek, contained in the 2013 document submitted to the Planning Board entitled *Biological Condition Gradient, "Because of the high quality nature of Ten Mile Creek headwaters (e.g., Kings Spring Tributary and similar 1st order streams); coldwater indicators and the potential for Brook Trout reintroduction in Ten Mile Creek; and the documented decline in biological quality from "before and after" studies as in the Clarksburg Tributary example, caution should be applied for planned urban developments within upland and headwaters in order to protect these high quality, sensitive streams and the watershed.* (Montgomery Planning Dept. Biological Condition Gradient, 2013, p.22).

This same scientists' report also states regarding Ten Mile Creek, *"The shallow bedrock, slopes, and erodible soils could pose general siting restrictions for foundations, septic systems, roads, basements, etc., as well as a challenge for erosion and sediment control during construction activities, and post-construction stormwater management. In addition, disturbance to the shallow soils, as a result of grading associated with development, could also create negative impacts to local stream habitat and biology.* "(Montgomery Planning Department, Biological Condition Gradient, 2013, p.43).

The entire body of scientific literature at the county, state and national levels – and Montgomery County's own experience – is completely clear. The only way to protect sensitive creek systems is to prevent development through permanent preservation of their rural landscapes - their forests and sustainable farmlands. The development allowances and limits proposed by the staff draft are not sufficient. For example, the staff draft proposes putting a sewer line into the most sensitive areas of the creek – which, in addition to harming the creek, encourages additional future development not already proposed in this plan.

While there are ways to limit the impact of development using environmental site design (less dense pavement, roof gardens and similar measures), ESD is, at best, a secondary layer of protection. The first and most important layer of protection – as noted in the Majority Report of the Ad-Hoc Water Quality Working Group – is to avoid degrading such high-quality watersheds through sound land use planning.



#### *Prior Experience*

##### *Establishing the Appropriate Purpose in Master Plans – Potomac Subregion and the Ag Reserve*

Montgomery County has successfully protected drinking water watersheds and critical groundwater recharge areas – namely the Piedmont Sole Source Aquifer – through sound land use planning. Two examples of this approach are the Potomac Subregion Master Plan and the Agricultural Reserve. One of the distinguishing features of these two master plans is their establishment of environmental and rural open space protection as the prime objective. For example, the Potomac Subregion Master Plan states, *“This Master Plan strongly recommends that sustaining the environment be the preeminent policy determinant in a subregion so defined by its natural resources.”* (MNCPPC, 2002).

In contrast, while the staff draft for the Ten Mile Creek Limited Master Plan Amendment (LMPA) notes the importance of protecting Ten Mile Creek; discusses protection of key pieces of land and addresses limits on hard surfaces, these are insufficient to protect the creek, as the staff draft itself acknowledges. The problem is that the staff draft attempts to maintain the balance of development and protection objectives contained in the 1994 Clarksburg Master Plan -- despite substantial scientific and public input urging that environmental protection be the preeminent function of the Ten Mile Creek LMPA.

The fundamental problem of the staff draft is that the purpose of Ten Mile Creek and its watershed – and thus of its Master Plan – is not appropriately and clearly defined as environmental protection and drinking water supply protection. The staff draft does not place – as the preeminent role and function of this Master Plan -- the continuation for generations to come, of Ten Mile Creek as a reference stream and as a crucial surface and groundwater drinking water source. This failure to affirm as preeminent, and to establish permanent protection for, Ten Mile Creek’s environmental and drinking water purpose - leads in turn to other problems, such as increases in imperviousness, hilltop grading, sewer line placement, and other forms of development and degradation.

We acknowledge that the planning staff have worked to reduce the development footprint in Ten Mile Creek, particularly in the portion West of I-270, yet the level of proposed development would degrade Ten Mile Creek and its most sensitive and ecologically important tributaries, as the staff Draft itself states.

#### *Prior Experience*

##### *Clarksburg area streams and Watts Branch – degradation and broken promises*

Creek systems in Clarksburg and Watts Branch were destroyed by over-reliance on environmental site design similar to those offered in this plan.

- In the early, rapid development of Clarksburg many different stormwater controls were used such as swales, permeable pavements, and rooftop disconnections. Developers promised that

these environmental site design techniques would be sufficient. However, critical areas were not fully protected and hard surfaces were not subjected to strict limits. Thus the creeks' quality declined. Longtime residents of the greater Clarksburg area turned on their taps, only to find that their wells had gone dry, or well water had turned muddy.

- In the 1990s, Montgomery County and the City of Rockville encouraged extensive urban and suburban development projects in Watts Branch watershed, included King Farm in the Watts Branch headwaters and Travilah in the formerly-high quality Piney Branch tributary in Potomac. Developers promised "the most up-to-date, next-generation stormwater treatment technologies" including naturally vegetated stream channel buffers, sand filters, micro-bioretenention and extensive stream channel retrofits. Yet Watts Branch has been shut down as a drinking water supply due to development, because of its excessive sediment, turbidity, fecal coliform, and other pollutants.

#### *Amount of Hard Surfaces*

Simply stated, hard (impervious) surfaces such as pavement, buildings, roofs and shingles must be avoided in critical areas, such as headwaters of fragile creek systems. This is so because of a whole syndrome of problems – called the Urban Stream Syndrome – occurs when forests and farms are cleared, graded, and built-over for residential, commercial, and industrial developments.

If the July 18, 2013 staff draft is approved, it will almost double the current area of pavement and roofs, from the watershed's current pavement coverage of four percent of total land area covered with imperviousness, up to seven percent coverage with pavement and roofs, (allowing developers to build roughly 90 to 100 additional paved acres).

Every one-percent increase in imperviousness in Ten Mile Creek's watershed adds roughly 30 acres of paved surfaces. The staff draft proposes a seven percent imperviousness target for Ten Mile Creek, although, as noted above, it also allows pavement levels as high as 25 percent in certain areas (e.g. the Egan and Miles-Coppolla parcels – see table above). The staff draft acknowledges that this additional development will degrade the creek, affecting water quality and making it no longer useful as a reference stream.

#### *Why Ten Mile Creek is Important*

##### *Emergency Drinking Water Supply for D.C. Metro Area*

Ten Mile Creek is the cleanest tributary flowing into the Little Seneca Reservoir, which is a backup drinking water supply and an important contributor to the mid-Potomac River, which serves over three million people in the metropolitan Washington, D.C. area. This backup supply has been used twice in

recent years, and was prepared for use a third time. Due to increasingly severe drought cycles, the Little Seneca Reservoir is more important than ever before. As noted above, the other two tributaries to this reservoir (Little Seneca Creek and Cabin Branch) have already been degraded by recent development, making it even more essential that we preserve Ten Mile Creek. The future reliability of the mid-Potomac drinking water supply thus depends on the continued health of Ten Mile Creek and the Little Seneca Reservoir.

#### *Protecting Regional Groundwater*

The Ten Mile Creek watershed is critical to the region's groundwater supply, the federally-designated Piedmont Sole Source Aquifer. According to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Federal Register Notice announcing the designation of the Piedmont Sole Source Aquifer, this groundwater resource is the "sole or principal source of drinking water for such parts of these counties and that such portion of the Piedmont aquifer, if contaminated, would create a significant hazard to public health." (EPA, 1980). In making this designation, the EPA estimated that 62% of the population in this area relies solely upon well water. Ten Mile Creek, its headwaters, and Clarksburg are all centrally located in the groundwater recharge area. Unwise development jeopardizes this irreplaceable water resource and the 62% of the population in the UpCounty area who are dependent on well water.

#### *Ten Mile Creek as a Regional Barometer of Environmental Health*

The staff Draft states that if its recommendations are followed, Ten Mile Creek will no longer be able to serve as a reference stream. Currently, Ten Mile Creek is the healthiest creek left in the Montgomery County, against which the health of all other streams is measured. Without this invaluable barometer of environmental health, we cannot accurately gauge the cleanliness of our other waterways. In 2010, the Ad-Hoc Water Quality Working Group, charged by the County Council with making recommendations for the future of Ten Mile Creek and Clarksburg Stage 4, wrote in its Fact-Finding Summary, "*The water in Ten Mile Creek flows clear, cold, and steadily, and supports one of the most diverse aquatic life communities in Montgomery County, including species of fish, aquatic insects, and amphibians that are found rarely (if ever) elsewhere in the county.*"

#### *What is the Cost of Destroying Ten Mile Creek?*

As one example of the consequences of Ten Mile Creek's degradation, consider the example of Watts Branch. The latter creek system relied on similar Environmental Site Design and other engineering measures alleged to mitigate damages from developments proposed for Ten Mile Creek. Sadly, Watts Branch was severely degraded.

In 2006, WSSC announced that it was abandoning Watts Branch as a drinking water supply source, and would have to build a new raw water intake pipe for its Potomac Filtration Plant, in order to avoid the dirty water from Watts Branch. WSSC's report indicated that Watts Branch caused unpredictable fluctuations in, and high levels of sediment and bacteria (fecal coliform).

These fluctuating, high levels of sediment and bacteria caused extra expense at the Filtration Plant, as workers had to add more treatment chemicals, and otherwise adapt to the additional pollution in the raw intake water. These fluctuating pollution levels could also potentially cause public health problems, since the Filtration Plant's operation depends on a relatively steady supply of intake water with a predictable level of pollutants to be treated at the Plant.

Early estimates of the cost of this project, which amounts to building a longer straw to draw water from the middle of the Potomac River rather than closer to the Montgomery County shore, were in the range of \$15M to \$20M. More recent estimates put the capital cost of this project higher, at about \$25M. WSSC ratepayers are now footing this bill.

Should the Little Seneca Reservoir become similarly degraded as its tributaries succumb to poor development choices, the costs would likely be much higher – and the consequences more extreme for metro area residents.

### ***Conclusion***

Ten Mile Creek is central to the health of Montgomery County and the entire D.C. metro region. It is possible to provide the services Clarksburg residents need without jeopardizing this creek and our region's drinking water supply. We call on the Montgomery County Planning Board to pursue a land use planning approach that is proven to protect the creek, rather than relying on another failed experiment in stormwater management and Environmental Site Design.

The science and our County experience are perfectly clear: only by completely protecting environmentally sensitive areas can we maintain the health of Ten Mile Creek, the County, and the water supply of the region.

The Planning Staff and Board must revise the Limited Master Plan for the Ten Mile Creek Watershed in order to make water quality protection its preeminent objective. This includes protection of the Little Seneca Reservoir and particularly of the Ten Mile Creek Watershed as a critical regional drinking water supply, and protection of Ten Mile Creek as a reference stream of countywide significance. Setting this preeminent objective of water quality protection will then lead to the necessary land use planning steps and tools that will protect vital headwater areas.

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**Testimony Presented by Caroline Taylor  
Clarksburg Stage 4 Minor Master Plan Amendment  
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Dear Chair Carrier,

Attached is a letter transmitting data supporting my testimony on September 12.

Best,  
Cathy Wiss

Dear Chair Carrier and Commissioners of the Planning Board,

Thank you for the opportunity to address you the other night. I just wanted to follow up with the data in support of my testimony and to explain one of the slides.

On the graph showing the severity of 15 floods, there are three listings for June 10, 2013 with corresponding rainfalls. This is because there were three high peak discharges associated with three intense periods of rain. After each peak, the water subsided, only to rise again with the next shower. The rain gage at Little Bennett Regional Park measured 3.19" of rain during a 24-hour period. This gage is at the top of the Ten Mile Creek watershed, just behind the houses in the picture of the infiltration trench. This amount corresponds to a 2-year storm. The rain gage at Black Hill Regional Park measured 5.04" of rain, the equivalent of a 10-year storm. This rain gage is about a mile east of the Ten Mile Creek watershed. This difference is also why I could not be specific about the number of 10-year storms at Ten Mile Creek in the last two years.

I believe that ESD devices cannot be counted on to save the watershed because they will function in the same way as the creek, and more specifically in the same way as the creek in winter because the trees will have been removed for construction and the devices themselves. ESD devices do not operate in a vacuum. The ground may be saturated from previous rains, or it may be dry if there has been a dry spell. The USGS stream gage confirms that peak discharge is greater if previous storms have left the ground saturated:

April 16, 2011

Peak discharge 697 cfs  
Almost 2" rain in previous week  
3 periods of heavy rain = 1.20"  
Base flow 6.8 cfs  
(Trees not leafed out)

December 22-23, 2011

Peak discharge 211 cfs  
0.10" rain in previous 2 weeks  
2 periods of heavy rain = 1.45"  
Base flow 4.7 cfs  
(Trees not leafed out)

A corollary is that peak discharge is greater if base flow is higher when rain begins:

December 26, 2012

Peak discharge 316 cfs  
Base flow 3.1 cfs  
Steady rain of 2.13"

August 27-28, 2011

Peak discharge 25 cfs  
Base flow 0.55 cfs  
Steady rain of 2.20"

Base flow for these storms was fairly typical for winter and summer at Ten Mile Creek. Base flow is higher in winter, when the water table is higher and closer to the surface. ESD devices will be slower to drain when the water table is closer to the surface.

Stormwater devices will also not be able to provide the important service of evapotranspiration that trees provide. Evapotranspiration tempers the effects of storms. Hydrographs show that peak discharge is higher if trees are not leafed out and providing evapotranspiration services:

December 22-23, 2011

Peak discharge 211 cfs

No leaves on trees

Base flow 4.7 cfs

1.45" rain, 2 heavy periods

May 14-15, 2011

Peak discharge 102 cfs

Trees leafed out

Base flow 3.8 cfs

1.49" rain, 2 heavy periods

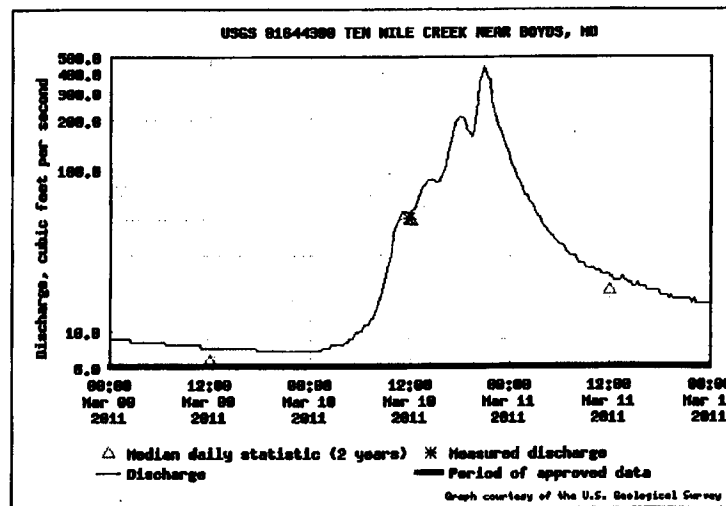
In the appendix, I am providing the hydrographs for the comparative 1.5", 2", and 2.6" (one-year) storms. These prove false the assumption in the Maryland Stormwater Design Manual that "there is little difference in the amount of runoff from most sites in undeveloped conditions" for storms of less than 2-3". The amount of runoff varies greatly for these storms in this mostly undeveloped watershed. What makes this important for the master plan amendment is that ESD devices designed for the Ten Mile Creek watershed will be inadequate because they are based on this false assumption. We should not allow this to happen to our last best creek.

Best,  
Cathy Wiss

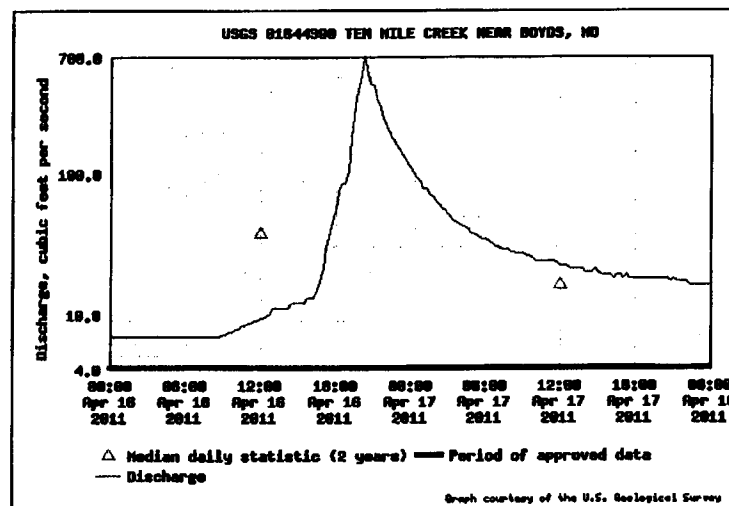
## Appendix

Here are the hydrographs for the storms I discussed at the hearing. Contrary to the assumption in the Maryland Stormwater Design Manual that runoff will be similar from storms of the same magnitude, the USGS stream gage at Ten Mile Creek shows that in fact, they produce widely varying peak discharges. Please note that the y-axis changes in the hydrographs depending on peak flow.

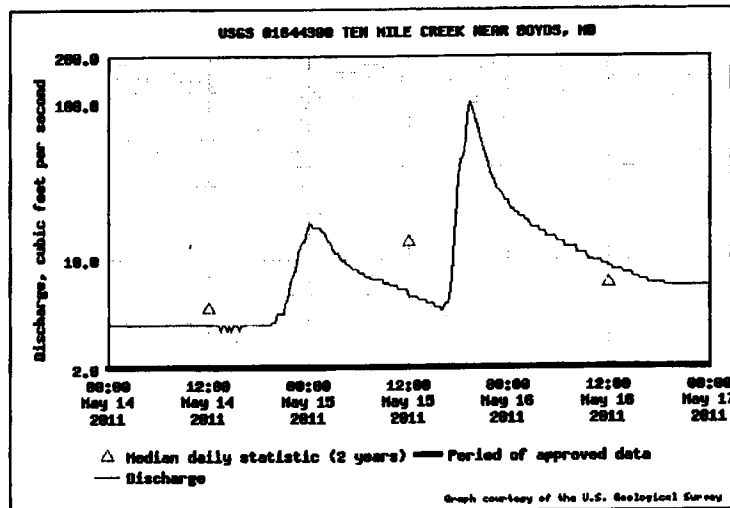
Peak discharge from 1.5" storms varied between 102 cfs and 697 cfs:



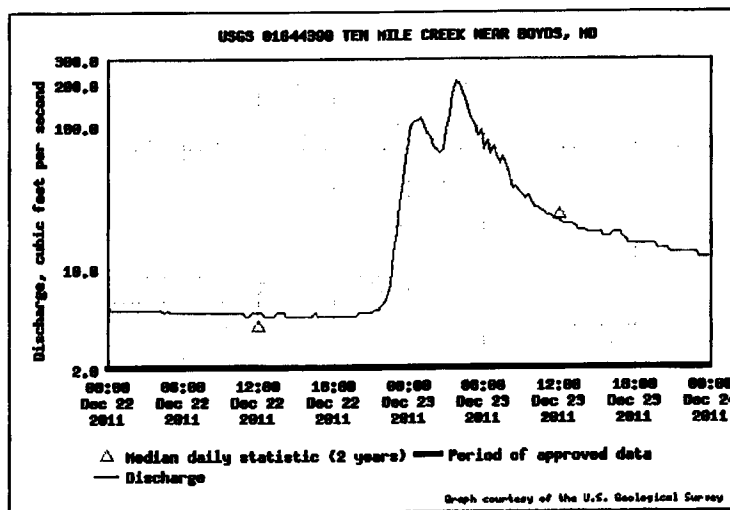
March 9-10, 2011 -- 431 cfs (bankfull)



April 16, 2011 – 697 cfs (flood damage)

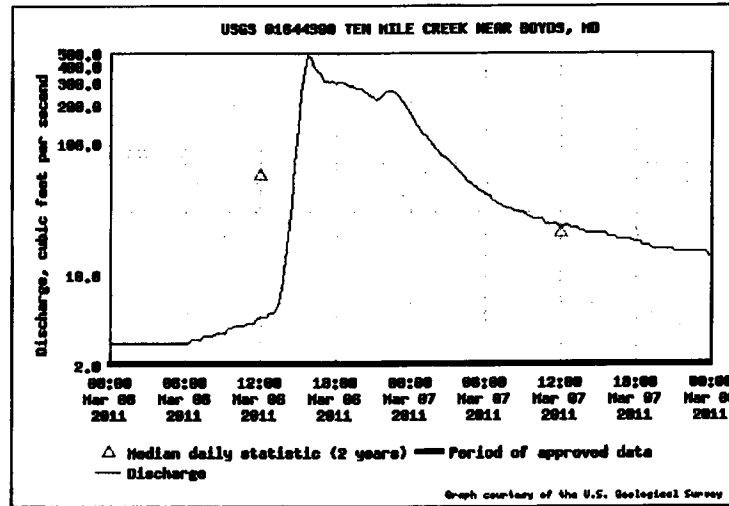


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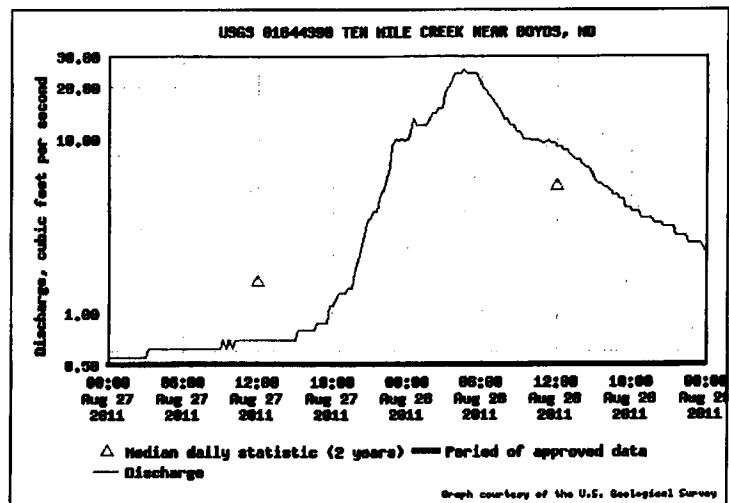


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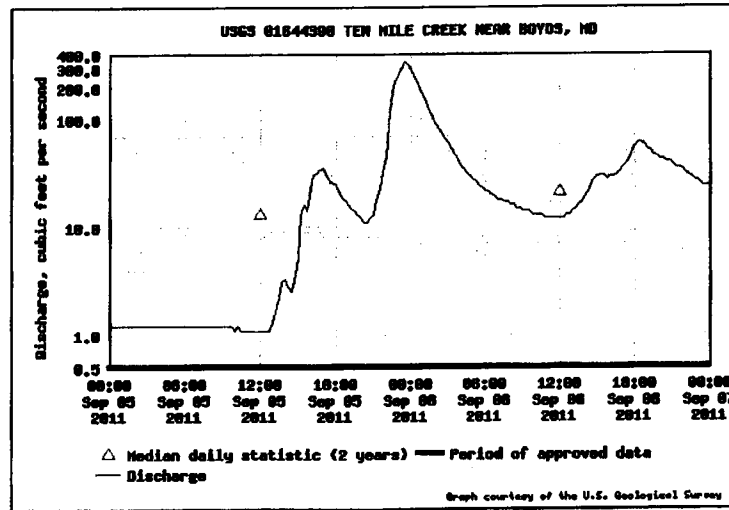
Peak discharge from 2" storms varied from 25 cfs to 2,180 cfs:



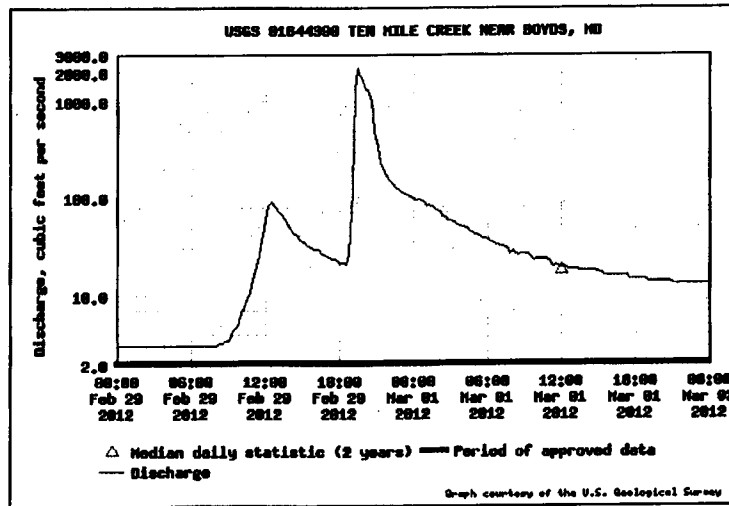
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August 27-28, 2011 – 25 cfs (Hurricane Irene)

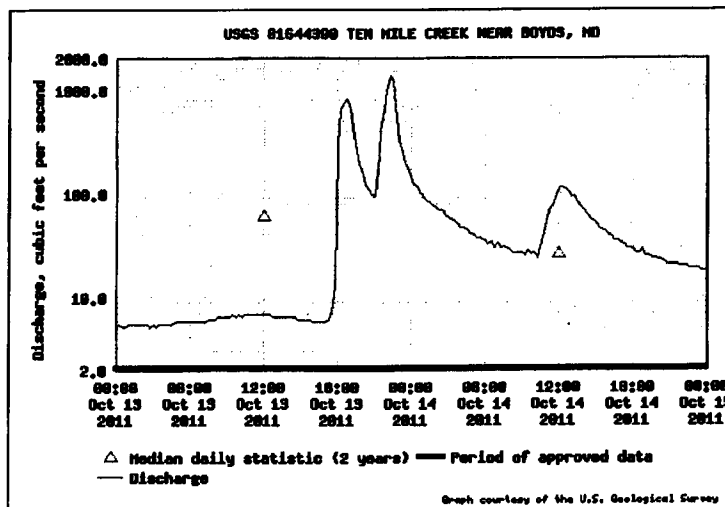


September 5, 2011 – 344 cfs (First day of Tropical Storm Lee)

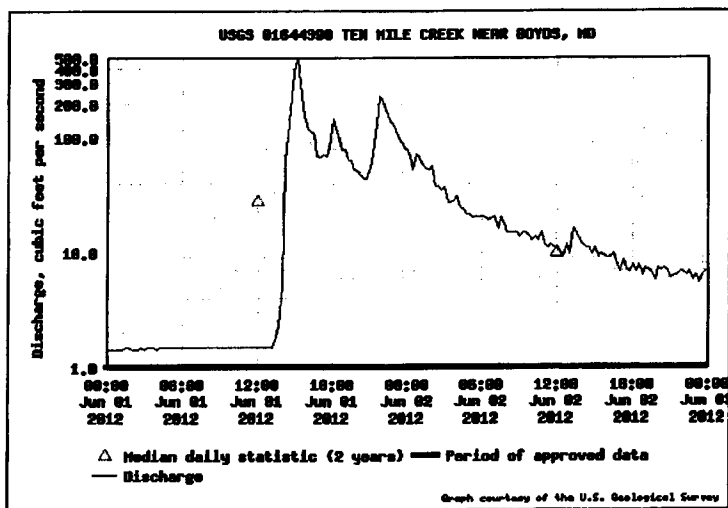


February 29, 2012– 2,180 cfs (flood damage)

Peak discharge from one-year storms (2.6") varied from 110 cfs to 1,360 cfs

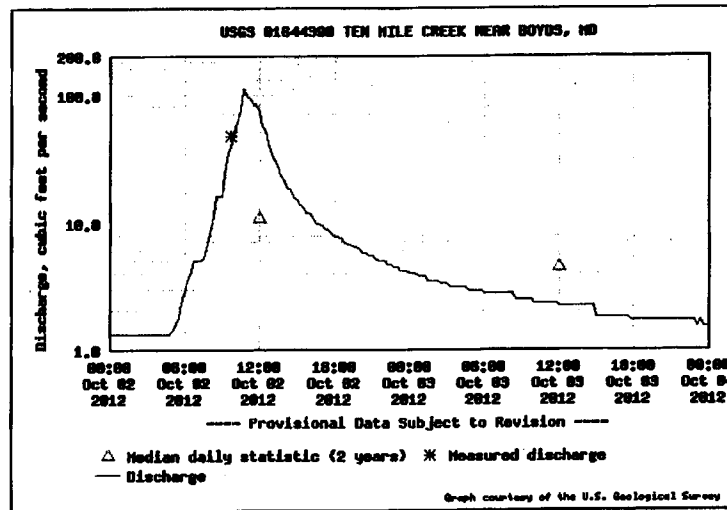


October 13, 2011 (2.45") – 1,360 cfs (flood damage)



June 1, 2012 (2.55") – 494 cfs





October 2, 2012 (2.64") – 110 cfs

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Mr. Isiah Leggett  
County Executive  
101 Monroe St.  
Rockville, MD 20850

November 26, 2012

Dear Executive Leggett:

The Water Quality Advisory Group (WQAG) has been actively reviewing progress made by our county to meet obligations and requirements of the MS4 permit, as well as other water quality regulations. To further this progress, we believe that the county should review and update the Clean Water Act's "Tier 2" stream designation – a critical tool for protection for future generations of high quality waters at risk of degradation. Although Montgomery County has taken actions through the MS4 permit to enhance our position in the state as a leader in water quality protection, several of our highest quality streams could warrant Tier 2 designation and benefit from the additional protection it confers.

Maryland Department of the Environment, as a delegated state agency, is required by the Clean Water Act to develop and implement policies to protect and maintain existing high quality waters and prevent those at risk of degradation from degrading. Any future growth or development in watersheds with Tier 2 waters will need to be planned and managed to prevent degrading the water resource below that high quality level—which is well above merely "fishable-swimmable". At this time, only two stream segments in Montgomery County are designated as Tier 2: Goshen Run Upper Tributary #1 and Patuxent River Upper Tributary #1. In comparison, there are currently 235 Tier 2 stream segments in other areas of Maryland, with 15 in neighboring Prince George's County.

The WQAG recommends that the County Executive and Montgomery County DEP undertake two actions:

1. Perform a timely review and develop a report with recommendations on additional Tier 2 designations that should be made in our county. This report could be shared with the Maryland Department of Environment, DNR, the Council, and the public.

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2. Request that MDE provide its own evaluation of streams based on the county's report, an assessment of streams in parkland by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, and input from our network of volunteer watershed stewards to identify if there are indeed other streams in the county worthy of Tier 2, and perhaps even Tier 3, protection.

We believe that these two progressive steps will put the county in a better position when dealing with planning issues, or when planning future expenditures for MS4 permits. Thank you for your attention to our recommendation. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions related to this information.

Sincerely,

Danila S. Sheveiko

Co-Chair

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Isiah Leggett  
*County Executive*

February 28, 2013

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Mr. Danila Sheveiko, Co-Chair  
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Dear Mr. Walsh and Mr. Sheveiko:

Thank you for your letter regarding the designation of Tier II Watersheds in Montgomery County. I appreciate and share your desire to protect the County's high quality streams. In fact, the County is committed to protecting all of its stream resources from degradation, not only those designated by the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) as Tier II.

The County comprehensively monitors the biological and physical characteristics of county stream resources, focusing on one-fifth of the county's watersheds per year. All data collected during the watershed assessment monitoring is submitted to MDE for their review. It should be noted that MDE is required under the Clean Water Act to prepare triennial Integrated Water Quality Monitoring and Assessment Reports, which includes the 303(d) impaired streams listing, streams with TMDLs, and 305(b) water assessment and designated use determination.

I have asked the Department of Environmental Protection to draft a letter requesting that MDE use all readily available County data in the next 305(b) water quality assessment and designated use determination. Montgomery County has worked with MDE before in the review of Tier II designations and looks forward to continuing this working relationship. In addition, the County is currently conducting analyses to better characterize fragile and sensitive streams for the Clarksburg Limited Master Plan Amendment. Once our evaluation is complete, we will also include suggestions for Tier II streams in Montgomery County in our letter to MDE. We anticipate that the stream evaluations will be complete within two to three months.

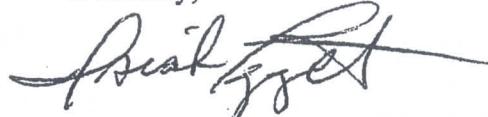
According to MDE, waters designated as Tier II may require additional regulatory protections such as environmental site design, stream buffers, special permit conditions, pre/post project monitoring, and/or other appropriate measures to make sure biological integrity is maintained. Montgomery County has independently and proactively implemented all of these measures in the planning, zoning, and subdivision review process, and through stormwater management planning and implementation.

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All of the county land zoned for development and available for new development is subject to the protective measures listed above. The remainder that is undeveloped, almost one-third of the county, is otherwise protected through agricultural reserve zoning and easements. To meet long term water quality goals, and to meet the stringent provisions of the County's current MS4 permit, we are focusing resources on restoring our many urban and suburban streams, which are suffering from past development without adequate environmental protection.

Thank you again for your suggestion. I appreciate your support and insight into county water quality concerns. For additional information, contact Pam Parker at 240-777-7758 or [Pamela.Parker@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:Pamela.Parker@montgomerycountymd.gov).

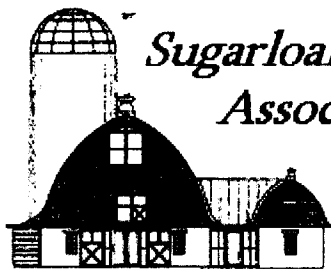
Sincerely,

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Isiah Leggett  
County Executive

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Good Evening. My name is Beth Daly and I am testifying on behalf of the Sugarloaf Citizens Association. Sugarloaf is a not-for-profit volunteer organization that has a 40-year history of work to preserve the agricultural tradition, environmental health, and the viability of Montgomery County's Agricultural Reserve.

With that mission in mind, I am here today to register our concern over the Public Hearing Draft of the Ten Mile Creek Area Limited Amendment. We appreciate the staff's hard work to reduce the development footprint—especially on the West side of I-270—in order to mitigate degradation of the Ten Mile Creek. Unfortunately, though, the current proposal does not do enough to protect our critical drinking water supplies both in Little Seneca Reservoir and in the Piedmont Sole Source Aquifer.


The plan continues to call for exponentially increased pavement in two headwaters --sub-watersheds 110 and 111—critically endangering the Creek.

**The Planning Staff and the Board should make protection of our regional water supply its primary goal—and not try to balance its protection with the interests of developers.**

Ten Mile Creek is the last clean tributary flowing into the Little Seneca Reservoir—the source of emergency drinking water for over 4.3 million residents in the metropolitan region—including the citizens of Montgomery County. The Little Seneca Creek and Cabin Branch tributaries to this reservoir have already been degraded by

- clearing and grading
- active construction
- post-construction stormwater runoff
- bridge construction





All key factors contributing to stream quality decline. The resultant silt pollution of Little Seneca Reservoir is visible in the attached aerial image. The muddiest tributary is Little Seneca and that's the one on the right; the second most polluted tributary is Cabin Branch and that's the one in the center of the image.

In fact, the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) just conducted a water supply release test from the Little Seneca Reservoir a couple weeks ago as part of their annual drought exercise. In 1999, 2002, and 2010 this measure was taken not as an exercise: we needed the water because our region was suffering from a drought. And we need this water to be clean.

In addition to emergency water supply, Ten Mile Creek's watershed is a groundwater recharge area for the Piedmont Aquifer—the sole source of drinking water for residents in the Ag Reserve who get their water from underground wells. The increased imperviousness—roughly 100 acres of pavement in just Stage 4-- impacts the quality and quantity of the underground water.

- The heavy earthmoving equipment disrupts the aquifer's bedrock—fragmenting the fragile layers of Ijamsville Phyllite
- The landscaping chemicals and road salts seep into and through the pervious pavement.
- The increased pavement causes the water to flow quickly—affecting the rate of recharge of the aquifer.

As the Council discussed in October 2012—leading to this Limited Amendment-- it is imperative that a comprehensive study be completed by an independent hydrogeologist to analyze the impact of all four stages of Clarksburg development on the underground water supply—especially given that Clarksburg development sits atop the Piedmont Sole Source Aquifer and is adjacent to the Ag Reserve and other communities reliant on underground wells. It's just not worth the risk.

Yes, Sugarloaf wants the walkable, livable community that Clarksburg residents were promised. But this proposal for Stage 4 is not the answer. If developed as planned—even with the Staff Report's reduction of total units from prior

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September 5, 2013

Dear Chairman Carrier, Park and Planning Board members, President Navarro and M.C. Council Members,

Members of the Sugarloaf Citizens' Association have long appreciated the difficult work you do as you try to maintain a balance in your stewardship of Montgomery County.

The potential amendment for the Clarksburg Master Plan poses many old, some new, challenges.

SCA members think that it is quite clear that Ten Mile Creek was, years ago, presented as a necessary source for the drinking water of the DC Regional Area. The reservoir into which it fed was created for that reason. The creek and reservoir are presently serving that function and Ten Mile Creek is the only "good/excellent" water source for that reservoir.

It is difficult for the association to understand a new perspective, if indeed there is one. SCA thinks that the scientific evidence (including that given by your own staff) clearly states: there is no degree of development on the Ten Mile watershed which will not be harmful to the integrity of Ten Mile Creek and the reservoir. Until there is scientific data to support otherwise, SCA finds it prudent to act on data now extant.

The quality of drinking water is not worth "selling" to development interests! As we all know, water has become the new gold.

Many people in the Ag Reserve rely on well water. Their wells tap into the Piedmont Sole Source Aquifer. Development of 17 houses has been rejected because of the threat to the area's wells and the preservation of Ten Mile Creek. A very large parcel of land proposed to be a golf course was bought by the county primarily because of the threat to the creek and to neighbors' well water. That seemed to be the course the Planning Board was taking.

SCA urges you to WAIT for more data; to WAIT to see what development in other areas will bring; to WAIT to see if there will be appropriate infrastructure. During this waiting period, keep these headwaters as they are.

SCA urges you to protect, firstly, the needs of the vast majority of Montgomery County and the metro area citizens. Is this not, indeed, the point of the land stewardship to which you have been elected?

Respectfully yours,

Sugarloaf Citizens' Association

## **MCP-CTRACK**

**From:** Jack Lebowitz <jacklebow3e49@earthlink.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 06, 2013 2:46 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Cc:** Charlotte Moser; Walter Weiss; Marney Bruce  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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Dear MCP-Chairman,

The Environmental Task Force of the River Road Unitarian Universalist Congregation (RRUUC) has been focusing on water issues in Montgomery County and is deeply concerned that the current development proposals for the Clarksburg area will seriously degrade the Ten Mile Creek. Keeping Ten Mile Creek healthy is essential to our quality of life and safety of the entire region's water supply. Consequently, we fully endorse options 6 and 7 proposed by the Save Ten Mile Creek Coalition report of June 6, 2013 written by Diane Cameron. These options will protect Ten Mile Creek by controlling the level of development in a fair way and by conserving lands most critical to the health of the Creek. This will insure that our drinking water supply will remain clean and that we will protect the biodiversity of the Creek. We sincerely request that you adopt options 6 and 7 for the well being of our water supply and the environmental quality of Montgomery County.

Sincerely,

The RRUUC Environmental Task Force Steering Committee: Jack Lebowitz; Charlotte Moser; Marney Bruce and; Walter Weiss.

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**From:** sharondooley@comcast.net  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 07, 2013 10:57 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Cc:** Sharon K Dooley  
**Subject:** Clarksburg Master Plan revision  
**Attachments:** ten mile creek ltr.doc

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Please see the attached letter for the comments from Upcounty Action on Ten Mile Creek and the Clarksburg MP revision.

Thank you,  
Sharon Dooley

Upcounty Action  
PO Box 132  
Brookeville MD 20833  
September 7, 2013

MNCPPC Chair Francoise Carrier  
Re: Clarksburg Limited Master Plan Revision  
by email

Sent

Attn: Planning Board Chair and Members:

Along with many members of the upper Montgomery County communities, members of this 7 year old group (Upcounty Action) have attended several informational sessions held by the Planning Board and Staff. Previously some have attended meetings of civic groups and of the Water Quality Working Group. We have read reports from many august committees on these complex concerns and intricate maneuvers where each stake holder has unique and often contradictory ideas. We are now at the final phase where issues are to be decided. What is the future vision for the Clarksburg area? What should the residents expect to see as the final and most definitive blueprint for their area? Back in the 90's, when these plans were being set, many people looked at land use differently. This tract, a planned community on the edge of the Agricultural Reserve, was to be the last commercial and residential development along the northern border of the county; and although transit was in the back of some minds, most planners were thinking of roads.

Well, now some twenty years later we are seeing Clarksburg through wiser and different eyes. We have seen how plans went awry, promises were not kept, the environment was not protected and much still remains to be done – on the Eastern side of the development and the Town Center. We are in agreement with completing this original retail development and completion of necessary roads. As a county, we however, are poised at the precipice of repeating earlier mistakes or creating a community which reflects a prescient environmental vision. There once was a plan which allowed maximum development of an area currently consisting of rolling hills with forests and natural headwaters; this is the imperfect plan which all recognized needed to be reconsidered and which is what we are trying to accomplish now. There is now another plan to take what would have been an economic engine of high tech companies for a "live where you work community" into yet another outlet mall – filled with low wage service oriented jobs not paying enough for the employees to live in the community, creating need for additional transportation and transit. Was this the Clarksburg vision? Should there be another option? We think yes, and it can still be good for the town. The development should be scaled back and created with safeguards.

We have already seen the degradation of watershed in the Seneca Creek areas along the eastern borders; the last pristine waterway in the entire county is now threatened with the same fate. Ten Mile Creek which currently flows freely, collects water from this proposed development area. Studies done by your contracted consultants remarked how beautiful and how fragile this eco-system is; they further noted that it supports a vibrant and healthy variety of aquatic life. This creek flows into the man made Seneca Lake which is the back up water supply for this county in case of drought or system malfunction. This drinking water supply should not be threatened or compromised. But

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we know that you and your staff are aware of these concerns. It is understood that the planners reduced the total numbers of homes on the Pulte property and tried to set up a buffer to protect the Ten Mile Creek area. We have heard that the developer is promising all kinds of safeguards, many of which have never been tested on such a grand scale. This should not be an area where unproven standards are accepted.

The decisions which you make here will have consequences. These consequences can be detrimental or visionary. We request that you do not see this modification of the Master Plan as a way to increase development to its' maximum, but see rather, an opportunity to protect and preserve a natural stream valley and its' habitat and allow the most minimal disturbance of this fragile environment. We seriously suggest that you not fall for the subterfuge of permeable pavement substitutions, or unproven site design plans, but instead hold each permitted development accountable for maintenance of the watershed status quo with independently determined measurable standards and steps to be followed throughout each stage of the development process. There should be no allowed degradation with promises of later restoration. We have already seen what has happened down county where millions of dollars were required to rebuild damaged waterways and restore aquatic life to polluted and overheated streams after careless development practices were permitted. We cannot allow this Master Plan modification to threaten our last Class A stream with a similar fate. Please protect Ten Mile Creek and its' watershed area.

Thank you for consideration of these remarks.

Sincerely,  
*Sharon Dooley*

Sharon Dooley,  
Legislative Director – Upcounty Action

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**From:** LWV of Montgomery County, MD <lwwmc@erols.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 09, 2013 12:07 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Testimony on Clarksburg Stage Four Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek  
**Attachments:** 2013-09-10 Testimony to Planning Board re TenMileCreek.pdf



THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS  
of Montgomery County, MD, Inc.

To: Planning Board Chair Francoise Carrier and other Planning Board Members:

Please see our testimony below and attached regarding the Clarksburg Stage Four Limited Master Plan Amendment.

The time to protect our water resources is now. The League of Women Voters of Montgomery County urges you to ensure that this master plan amendment fully protects Ten Mile Creek, which the current Planning Department proposal does not do. Stronger protection makes both economic and environmental sense.

Reasons for protection. Besides reminding you that Ten Mile Creek drains into Little Seneca Reservoir – part of our region's **backup drinking supply** -- the League hopes that you are also aware that the adjacent land acts as a **recharge area** for the Piedmont Sole-Source Aquifer that serves Montgomery County's rural communities. Thus, Ten Mile Creek is an integral part of the drinking water supply for three million people in the Greater Washington region.

Caution about development. We understand that development plans now being considered by the Planning Board could add more than 100 acres of hard impervious surfaces to this fragile watershed – or (referring to bill 13-13 and zoning text amendment 13-03) would substitute pervious pavement inadequate to the task.

Runoff from hard impervious surfaces regularly contaminates streams. Regarding the pervious pavement alternative, the federal Environmental Protection Agency suggests that *until more scientific data are available, it is not advisable to construct porous pavement near groundwater drinking supplies or in areas of sole-source aquifers*. Please also note that EPA estimates the high failure rate of porous pavement at 75%: this failure rate leads to concern for water quantity as well as quality.

Recommendation. We therefore ask you to put the right kind of development -- including transit -- where it is needed in Clarksburg Town Center. Do not place the development in the Ten Mile Creek watershed where development would degrade water quality.

Linna Barnes, President





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Testimony on Clarksburg Stage Four Limited Master Plan Amendment  
for Ten Mile Creek  
Montgomery County Planning Board  
September 10, 2013

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Linna Barnes, President

Linda Silversmith, Action Vice President

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**From:** Marcia Bond <marciadbond@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 04, 2013 7:38 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Fwd: LWVMC Action Alert: Write/Call in Support of Ten Mile Creek

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> Thank you, Marcia Bond, 502 King Farm Blvd, Rockville, Md 20850  
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**From:** Ken Bawer <kbawer@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 09, 2013 9:03 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair; MCP-Chairman@mnppc-mc.org  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek Public Hearing  
**Attachments:** MNPS\_Ten Mile Creek\_Planning Board Letter\_FINAL\_09\_09\_2013-1.doc

**Dear Madam Chairman:**

**Please see the attached letter from the Maryland Native Plant Society.**

**Thank-you.**

**Ken Bawer  
MNPS**



**Maryland Native Plant Society**

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September 10, 2013

**Item 1: Clarksburg Limited Master Plan for the Ten Mile Creek Watershed - Public Hearing**

Dear Members of the Planning Board:

The Maryland Native Plant Society urges the Planning Board to protect the Ten Mile Creek watershed which supplies a backup drinking water supply for 4.3 million people. This protection requires making science-based decisions on where to allow development. The science (provided to you in a report from the Save Ten Mile Creek Coalition) tells us that any development in the Ten Mile Creek watershed will have a negative impact on the water quality that Ten Mile Creek feeds into Little Seneca Reservoir.

The Maryland Native Plant Society is a state-wide organization dedicated to promoting appreciation and conservation of Maryland's native plants and their habitats. A large number of our members live in Montgomery County.

Yours truly,

Kenneth A. Bawer  
Maryland Native Plant Society

Testimony of Christopher Arndt, President, Boyds Civic Association  
Regarding Ten Mile Creek Master Plan Amendment  
September 10, 2013

My name is Christopher Arndt. I live in Boyds, and I am here on behalf of the Boyds Civic Association where I am president. The BCA requested that I testify at tonight's hearing. At our last meeting, on August 15, we had a long debate about the Ten Mile Creek Master Plan Amendment, and from that meeting we agreed to send a resolution to the Planning Board with our position.

The resolution was by two motions:

FIRST MOTION:

The BCA by unanimous vote expressed our opposition to the development of the Pulte Property\* which is located in Boyds. This property should not be developed. Instead, this property should be returned to the Agricultural Reserve.

Reluctantly, but only as a second option, the BCA would support the Park and Planning Staff Report to limit development of this property to less than 200 units with sewer and water provided by Pulte. The BCA strongly maintains that the proposed development would cause irreversible damage to Ten Mile Creek, the last creek in Montgomery County with the highest water quality rating and a vital source for drinking water to the Washington DC area. The proposed development would also challenge the integrity of area wells and the quality of Little Seneca Lake.

\*the 529 acres along the north side of Rt. 121, and south and west of I-270.

SECOND MOTION:

The BCA again by unanimous vote expressed our opposition to the proposed development of the Miles Coppola property.\*\* The BCA strongly maintains that the proposed development would violate the sensitive headwaters of Ten Mile Creek resulting in irreversible damage to the terrain that provides drinking water to the Washington DC area. The proposed development would also challenge the integrity of area wells and the quality of Little Seneca Lake.

\*\* the 101 acres along the north side of Rt. 121 (Clarksburg Rd.), east of I-270 and west of Rt. 355.

In short, we, the citizens of Boyds are extremely concerned about these developments and their impact on Ten Mile Creek which is in Boyds. We live around this unique creek and depend on it for our drinking water and as a last wildlife refuge not found anywhere else in the county. As the Planning Staff notes in their report, no development has ever been done before where an entire waterway of such unmatched quality was impacted. The proposed abatement measures have not been proven on such a scale, and now it not the time to test their effectiveness. Too much is at stake if those measures fail. There is no going back.

Accordingly, we, the citizens of Boyds, strongly oppose development on the Pulte Property, and we urge the Planning Board to re-examine the development of the Miles-Coppola property for ways to eliminate any threat to the headwaters of Ten Mile Creek.

Thank you.

# Boys Civic Association

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P. O. Box 285  
Boys, Maryland 20841

Christopher Arndt, President  
Maggie Bartlett, Secretary

David Fraser-Hidalgo, Vice President  
Steve Gibson, Treasurer

September 5, 2013

To: The Montgomery County Planning Board,  
M-NCPPC, 8787 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

Re: Motions by the Boys Civic Association concerning the Clarksburg Limited Master Plan for  
the Ten Mile Creek Watershed.

## FIRST MOTION:

The Boys Civic Association (BCA) by unanimous vote hereby express our opposition to the development of the Pulte Property (529 acres) located in Boys along the north side of Rt. 121, and south and west of I-270. The BCA proposes that Pulte Homes not develop the property. Instead, the property should be returned to the Agricultural Reserve.

Reluctantly, but only as a second option, the BCA would support the Park and Planning Staff Report to limit development to less than 200 units with sewer and water provided by Pulte. The BCA strongly maintains that the proposed development would cause irreversible damage to Ten Mile Creek, the last creek in Montgomery County with the highest water quality rating and a vital source for drinking water to the Washington DC area. The proposed development would also challenge the integrity of area wells and the quality of Little Seneca Lake.

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As the officer duly charged by the BCA, I hereby present these motions.



Christopher Arndt  
President

Home address:  
21090 Sugar Ridge Terrace  
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cc: Montgomery County Council

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**From:**  
**Sent:**  
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**Subject:**

Michele Wolin <michwolin@gmail.com>  
Friday, September 13, 2013 4:58 PM  
MCP-Chair  
Protect ten Mile Creek

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Dear Ms. Carrier,

Please reject the sprawling development plans that threaten Ten Mile Creek. We desperately need to protect our drinking water supply. Ten Mile Creek feeds Little Seneca Reservoir, which supplies emergency drinking water for DC area residents. We also protect the Ten Mile Creek Watershed, which is critical to our region's groundwater supply and home to varied and diverse wildlife. We've already lost so much to development. Please protect what we have left.

Thank you,  
Michele Wolin

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**From:** karina.peterson@gmail.com  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2013 2:11 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair; County.council@montgomerycountymd.gov; Russ, Gregory; Dolan, Mary, Lazdins, Valdis; councilmember.andrews@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.berliner@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.ervin@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.floreen@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.leventhal@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.navarro@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.rice@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.riemer@montgomerycountymd.gov; Melane K Hoffmann; Dorothy Carpenter; Kathie Hulley  
**Subject:** On the Clarksburg Master Plan Amendment...

Hello All,

I am writing today to let you know that I am okay. I will be just fine. I am watching the Public Hearing on the Amendment and for some reason, the Pulte people think the residents of Clarksburg are screaming out for their help. Sorry Pulte if you got the wrong impression. While I am at it, let me clear up a couple other things.

1. I am not "engaged by" anyone as Pulte referred their PAID experts. I am writing because I care. Because I am trying desperately to be a knowledgeable member of the community. It struck me watching the hearing that the Pulte/ Peterson team had national experts, they worked here and there, they studied this and that. Its nice that they learned something in school and they are good at theirs jobs, but the supporters of the Creek are knowledgeable because they are residents. They have put their heart into their home and showed that they cared. They learned about their surroundings and appreciated its beauty, its uniqueness. How can you go back and tell these people that caring about where they live is not good enough?
2. I have a 3 bedroom home. Pulte did not build it.
3. We HAVE a family community. What we NEED are more roads and schools.
4. If Clarksburg is such a special place, why don't all of these Pulte people actually live here?
5. From some Clarksburg Realtor's website "A total of \$13.6 million worth of homes sold and closed in Clarksburg during August 2013, compared to \$8.4 million in August 2012 – a leap of 61.6 percent. The median sold price during August was \$435,000 (up 26.1 percent compared to August of last year), and the number of homes sold and closed was up by 34.8 percent. Additionally, the average days on the market for homes that sold in Clarksburg dropped by 44.4 percent, meaning that homes are selling much more quickly than last year. I think we have freed ourselves from the recession. Sorry, Pulte we don't need your help after all.
6. My home will go DOWN in value if my well is polluted.
7. The only people that have come knocking on my door are several people offering replacement windows and one guy selling meat. No one mentioned the creek.
8. No one really explained how an outlet mall is suppose to COMPLIMENT a historic district.
9. Bennigan's could probably improve their business a lot more my improving their menu selection rather than relying on a stream of new customers. Regulars are what builds a restaurant business.



10. It is shady that the Save Ten Mile Creek formed their group and the developers went and named theirs in order to confuse people. That is how the spammers on the internet work to steal your bank info. Not nice Pulte. If they have such a good product, why do they need to resort to such trickery?
11. Is Pulte going to "engage" some sort of new backup water supply once they ruin Ten Mile Creek? Its always a good idea to have a backup plan.
12. The traffic in Clarksburg is not a inconvenience, it is a safety hazard. It may very well kill me.

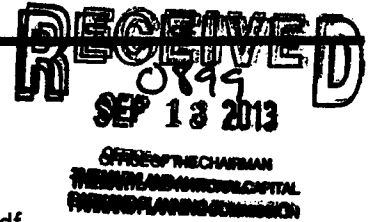
In all I want to reassure you that I am ok. I am not against all development, but I am against all of this development all at once. When my children have a problem doing something (as Montgomery County has had a problem building Clarksburg), I tell them to slow down. Take it step by step. Do one thing at a time and make sure it is done correctly. I think that is good advice. It is a lot easier to build a road that people aren't already driving on.

Thank you for your time,  
Kari

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**Garcia, Joyce**

**From:** Laura Mol <lauramolmail@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2013 3:32 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Public Hearing Draft re Ten Mile Creek - Clarksburg  
**Attachments:** Mol to Planning Bd re Ten Mile-Clarksburg 9-12-2013.pdf



Please find attached a four-page PDF to be entered into the public record concerning the Public Hearing Draft of the Ten Mile Creek Area: Limited Amendment to the Clarksburg Master Plan and Hyattstown Special Study Area.

Thank you.

Laura Mol | phone (301) 681-9686  
1013 Robin Road, Silver Spring, Maryland 20901

LAURA MOL  
1013 ROBIN ROAD | SILVER SPRING, MARYLAND 20901

September 12, 2013

TO: Montgomery County Planning Board  
Chair Françoise Carrier and Commissioners Marye Wells-Harley, Amy Presley,  
Norman Dreyfuss, and Casey Anderson

RE: Public Hearing Draft of the *Ten Mile Creek Area: Limited Amendment to the Clarksburg Master Plan and Hyattstown Special Study Area*

I offer this written testimony based on my observations as a down-county homeowner, resident, and citizen of thirty years standing in Montgomery County.

#### THE VIEW FROM DOWN-COUNTY

a) Silver Spring has a stake in Clarksburg

We in Silver Spring have excellent access to urban employment and culture, as well as good access to public transportation. We have a wide diversity of options for housing and commerce, with a Smart Growth focus for further development. We have high density and highly degraded and limited green space.

We also adhere to a county-wide context for our situation: our down-county density is balanced by up-county preservation. This balance goes back to our planning foundation, the *Wedges and Corridors* of the 1964 *General Plan* articulating the "lungs" concept of how up-county preservation would serve all-county needs, even then understanding that Montgomery County is (part of) an ecological whole.

Yes, we in Silver Spring have a very real stake in what the Planning Board and County Council decide about Clarksburg area development, particularly including the headwaters of Ten Mile Creek.

b) Once impervious, always impervious

Speaking specifically from the experience base of my own local watershed, we have the sad knowledge that we can't, in most respects, undo the damage of the past. This watershed is 33% impervious surface<sup>1</sup> and thus, in short, my creek is essentially doomed to poor water quality in perpetuity. About a decade ago, the local watershed group here began to study the situation of

<sup>1</sup> Of this, 60% is car habitat (roadways, parking lots, and driveways) and 40% is human habitat (residential and commercial rooftops and sidewalks). There is a range of land use within this watershed, with 55% imperviousness in the most commercialized sub-tributary, moderated by the 15% of the watershed in forest cover—mostly in our linear stream-valley park.

our degraded ecology, and we learned to our sorrow that percentage of imperviousness is a fully reliable shorthand for environmental quality. Many expensive projects have been conducted here, and more are even now in progress, all aiming to improve stormwater management, particularly now in compliance with current state and federal requirements; but the basic reality persists. What *has* been done can't easily—or even ever—be *undone*.

In our M-NCPPC stream-valley park, we can reliably get 400 people twice a year to come out for an all-Creek event to pick up litter, and we have scores of people beavering away year-round at invasive weeds in the park. Yes, we can make things look better, and we can build the community's use and deep affection for the creek and its park—but we really can't make it very much healthier. Imperviousness trumps effort, even love.

c) Restoration doesn't work very well

A proposed requirement for "restoration of streams and wetlands adversely affected" (Public Hearing Draft, page 21) doesn't, in reality, work. Eco-systems are exactly that—intricately interconnected parts of a whole, which we lack the knowledge-base or time (i.e., centuries) to restore to health and function. Despite very expensive and extensive "restoration" work in the Sligo Creek stream valley—conducted by local, regional, and even national agencies—aspects of the fundamental, original damage continue to reveal themselves, even decades after the damage was initially done.

Here in my down-county watershed, we have seen first-hand that "restoration" is analogous, in the ecosystem of the human body, to physical therapy following a massive stroke; the damage can't be fully undone, though partial success of the efforts has real value.

When there is damage, degradation, or destruction to an eco-system of nature, we lose forever much of the natural capital (the current and future function) of that system, with all the "services" that system did in the past and could in the future provide. From this vantage point, it seems the better part of wisdom to acknowledge fully the potential loss when increase in imperviousness is proposed, in order to weigh with accuracy the real cost of proposed damage. Minimizing or placing hope in newly emerged technologies that lack documented records of success seems, from a down-county perspective, to be a sadly familiar road to failed expectations.

#### CURRENT SHIFTS IN PUBLIC PERCEPTION

I have waited to submit written comment on the current Ten Mile Creek draft amendment, wanting first listen to the oral testimony given by many at last Tuesday evening's Public Hearing. It was unremarkable to observe "the development community" and "the environmental community" to be in significant opposition to each other. And it was also familiar to feel that the Planning Board has an almost impossibly challenging role in achieving wisdom, given the complexities of matters before it.

I believe there is at the present moment, however, an additional layer to the diversity and intensity of views that are at play in the present Ten Mile/Clarksburg issue. It is the overlay, as I see

it, of a shift that is right now going on in the national public discourse: we are in the midst of significant changes in circumstance and thinking that have not yet settled into civic consensus.

d) A catastrophic future?

The first current shift is around implications of global warming. Climate-change denial has pretty well evaporated in our region, but there's still not anything near consensus on the implications of this change—certainly not a shared set of possible scenarios. The utility or the irrelevance of an “emergency back-up water supply” is very hard to assess, even to imagine. It's a truism that the rate of social change profoundly affects us, but now we are experiencing an accelerating rate of change in the natural world and that naturally constrains the horizon for envisioning our future. Can the Planning Board plan for a 50-year horizon? for 75 years?

e) The meaning of “natural capital” and relevance to Ten Mile Creek/Clarksburg

The second shift impinging upon the matter currently before the Planning Board is the growing public realization that our human cities and agriculture can't work unless the natural systems work. We laugh at hearing a third-grader answer the question, “Where do carrots come from?” with the reply, “From the Safeway.” But most of us adults are only now beginning to grasp that breathable air must come from somewhere and that where it comes from is *plants*. (What plants? Where? How many does it take?)

Where does our tapwater come from? “The kitchen faucet” is the third-grade answer, but a Montgomery County adult's reply of “WSSC” isn't too much more sophisticated. A few will know that (in my watershed here in Silver Spring) some 90% comes from the Potomac River and ~10% from the Patuxent. Some might know that the majority of the Potomac water is actually from Pennsylvania, and that Pennsylvania water quality is directly related to how much of the Potomac watershed in that state is forested.

More people, however, will be aware that Pennsylvania is hotly contending over horizontal hydraulic fracturing as a new technology for natural-gas extraction. *No one* on the planet, however, knows whether fracking conducted in Pennsylvania on a large scale, as proposed, will impact the safety of waters flowing into the Potomac River. Thus, none of us can guess whether preserving water quality in our county's own Ten Mile Creek will add in any measure at all to the health and security of Montgomery County citizens of the future.

## DECIDING FOR THE FUTURE

In this very long-term context of enormous uncertainties, the “precautionary principle” commends itself. This conservative course would reject proposals that would result in certain damage to a water system with very good natural function. Degrading a working system—particularly one that is rare, if not unique—cannot be in the interests of the Bay, nor of our children unto any number of generations. It's only in the short-term that it can be attractive to accept a level of damage to an irreplaceable resource.

Our judicatories are signatory to agreements about how to maintain Potomac River water levels, as indeed they are to Chesapeake Bay pollution reductions. But, unlike the certain trajectory of drops of water falling onto the ground, there's *not* a working trickle down to these overarching agreements and goals: we may have promised ourselves to the very-wide goals, but we don't necessarily assume their implementation when taken to a point-by-point, acre-by-acre scale.

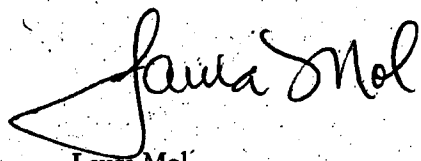
At Tuesday's hearing, a telling moment was when one of the group of developers seated at the front made a spontaneous objection in one of the exchanges, referring to the waste of "all that vacant land." His descriptor is only reasonable to a perspective that perceives human activity without its context of natural systems. Objection to development, from that view, can hardly be more than eco-sentimentality. That "vacant land," however, is working land—doing what few of us have sufficient ecological literacy to really imagine or understand. Such understanding is not yet settled into public consensus.

#### SUMMARY

So here you are, as Commissioners of the Planning Board, necessarily now serving as guardians of our water supply and its quality, holding all this responsibility, when there isn't yet a public understanding of how one Piedmont stream is part of the larger picture, nor of the very-long term.

In this specific situation, I urge the Board to be genuinely conservative: to protect the natural capital of the Ten Mile Creek headwaters by refusing any proposals to increase imperviousness west of I-270 beyond its current level of ~4.1% and to direct development instead to completion of the Clarksburg Town Center.

Respectfully submitted,



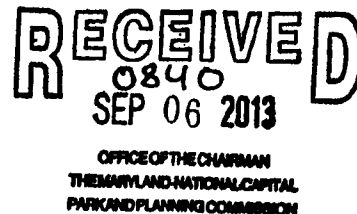
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Re: Testimony for Public Hearing Draft Clarksburg Limited Master Plan  
for the Ten Mile Creek Watershed

Françoise Carrier, Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board

Dear Chairperson,

As a church congregation concerned about the future quality of life in Montgomery County, we at Dayspring Church have a vital interest in the preservation of the remaining streams and natural watersheds in the Germantown and Clarksburg areas. We strongly support doing everything possible to protect and preserve Ten Mile Creek and its watershed.

We believe that having healthy communities in this County demands that we insure that the water in our streams remains clean and that we preserve natural stream valleys by protecting them from stormwater runoff from adjacent watersheds.

For over 20 years we have been closely monitoring the quality of water in the Dayspring tributary of Great Seneca Creek in Germantown, only a few miles away from Ten Mile Creek. We have seen substantial degradation of water quality over that time as a 450 unit residential development was built in the watershed of Dayspring Creek. This degradation happened despite assurances that environmental engineering practices could prevent the massive stormwater runoff, siltation, erosion, and loss of diversity that has occurred since the development was built.

Ten Mile Creek is arguably the best natural and ecologically diverse stream left in Montgomery County and we strongly support doing everything possible to protect and preserve it.

Based on what we have seen happen before to water quality when even the best engineering practices were used to try to protect our creeks from the impact of development, we do not believe that the proposed environmental site design for Ten Mile Creek will protect it. The proposed environmental site design engineering practices for this project have never been tried before in Montgomery County on the scale envisioned in the Ten Mile Creek proposed development. Don't experiment with this, the last best natural creek in Montgomery County.

As an alternative we support

(1) substantial scaling back of proposed development in the Ten Mile Creek watershed with an impervious cap of 4% and putting much of the still rural land in the Ag Reserve. Only these actions will fully protect this fragile and sensitive area.

(2) re-siting of development projects to the Town Center - projects that will serve and enhance that model of development - the right development in the right place to best serve the people of Clarksburg and all the rest of us in the County.

The track record of using environmental engineering practices to protect water quality in Montgomery County is poor. Using unproven engineering practices to protect the best remaining natural stream in the County from massive development is not going to work. To protect this creek we need a different approach -- the alternatives described above. May we have the courage to do it.

Sincerely,

Jim Hall, for Dayspring Church  
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**Reference: Testimony for Public Hearing Draft Clarksburg Limited Master Plan  
for the Ten Mile Creek Watershed  
September 10, 2013**

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Chair Francoise Carrier  
Montgomery County Planning Board

Dear Chair Carrier:

As a wildlife rehabilitator that does rescues, I am frequently called to several of the watersheds in Montgomery County. Although I am not trained to determine healthy creeks v/s those creeks in various degrees of degradation, I am keenly aware that Ten Mile Creek is one of the most beautiful creeks I have been to in this region. I have witnessed the vibrant wildlife living in its watershed and even seen small fish swimming in it, which is almost unheard of anymore for this region.

I have lived in this State now for 21 years and although you on the Planning Boards and County Councils pride yourselves on all the development, I have watched the environments degrade and in some areas watch acreages disappear to large tracks of shopping malls and cookie cut houses.

I have followed the saga for Clarksburg now for several years and am appalled to read that more than 100 acres of hard impervious surfaces are actively being considered for this fragile watershed. You cannot put that kind of surface in this fragile environment without destroying it. Man cannot create, or relocate what nature has made. The developer does not have a good track record in spite of what they are claiming. This is the only pristine watershed we, in Montgomery County, have and it is a crucial part of the drinking water source for many millions of us living here.

As a side-bar what happened to the fine that was imposed on the developer for all his violations in Stage 1? I think the answer is nothing. What happened to Stages 1 & 2? Have they been mitigated? And do I understand that Stage 3 involved two separate outlet malls? Outlet malls are not needed and will only bring on more impervious surfaces.

Please ensure protection for this unique and last of its kind watershed as your staff work on the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek.

Sincerely,

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**Call from David Alexander Dunnell regarding Ten Mile Creek Watershed and  
Clarksburg Development on 8/26/13**

Dunnell hopes that there is not more development, as his understanding is that there is more need for re-infrastructure for farming and agriculture. He stated, "I find it disturbing that without new energy sources, a lot of American farms won't have the proper money to stay in business" and that this type of development does not help with this problem for local farmers.

Dunnell works on the watershed and does a lot of work with ecology and the environment. Dunnell is also a member of a local nonprofit the Audubon Naturalist Society.

**Dunnell can be reached at his cell phone: 605-415-6808**

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Attn: Ms Carrier,

I too share the many misgivings that concerned citizens have about the plan to pave over part of this last undisturbed watershed.

Pavement begets pavement. Clarksburg needs a walkable Town center, as promised first.

Please take the long range view and do not act in haste.

Respectfully,

Lenore Larson, longtime resident of Montgomery County.

# What if we don't protect Ten Mile Creek?



Aerial photo of Little Seneca Reservoir Note Sediment Pollution In the Right and Middle forks. (Little Seneca and Cabin Branch streams)

**On the left is Ten Mile Creek –  
it's still clean!  
will we keep it this way?**

Right: Algae growth on detention pond in upper portion of Ten Mile Creek watershed



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In 2008 Natelli Development tried to push for an Outlet Mall in Urbana. It didn't fly. Now we have two other prominent companies vying for rights to place malls where 270 goes from 3 lanes to 2 lanes. It doesn't make sense.

There are outlet malls in Hagerstown, Potomac Mills and Leesburg. We don't need or want this type of development near to our EPA designated sole source aquifer, Ten Mile Creek. It currently provides drinking water for over 500,000 people without problems or pollution from the farming and natural land elements in place.

I would like to cite from the July 13th article in the Gazette where Lewis Birnbaum of Pulte Homes, says environmental concerns about his development are unwarranted.

"A lot of the land that we're proposing to development is currently farmland, so the impact to actual trees and forested areas is minimum," so there should be less pollutant runoff from its development than there is in its current use."

SO: I would like to see figures on the amount and kind of pollutants that have historically applied to the land by agriculture. Compared with the amounts of what pollutants would be generated by X amount of construction vehicles/materials/personnel  
X amount of road building vehicles, materials, personnel

x amount of incoming residents, employees, visitors, maintenance personnel etc etc etc and tell us there "Should be LESS pollutant runoff from 900 homes 365 days a year forever  
compared to seasonal growing ?????

I think about our drinking water foremost but also eagles, herons and so many other birds I've seen on the lake - will they stay in the area if we have houses and a mall sitting on the headwaters of the creek that feeds into it, changing their food and water resources?

We need local development that helps with local needs - not money that goes into corporate companies pockets after coming out of ours. The types of jobs malls will create will not permit their employees to live in the housing being built - it will be too expensive. Therefore they will have to live further out and commute. The roads are already congested. There is no public transportation serving our area nor is any planned in the near future.

The county spends money to do studies to help out of county developers keep down their costs. And the county taxpayers get stuck with the costs of the supporting infrastructure: public services such as safety personnel police, fire and health teams; over-burdened education systems - schools are built and immediately have permanent 'temporaries' attached to them to handle overcapacity that was underestimated and not to mention again but I will roads, roads roads - we're all stuck on them morning and evening and increasingly even before Phase 3 of Clarksburg is built.

Weekends are stressed along the stretch of 270 between Frederick and Gaithersburg; along Father Hurley Blvd from Germantown to Damascus; along Rt 355 from Bethesda all the way to Frederick sometime, it seems. And still no progress is made to allieviate transportation woes - but building more- sure why not? Where is the balance of what works and what doesn't? A drawing board or a computer algorithm isn't coming up with the actual amount of impact we're already seeing - how much more is viable, sustainable, conscionable?

Because we're running out of places to develop. Let's not ruin this last best place in the county, this beautiful pristine buffer to the Agricultural Reserve.  
Let us have a reasonable answer to the Master Plan.

Please consider supporting the proposal by Staff to extend Legacy Open Space designation to the area west of 121 closest to Ten Mile Creek. And reject all proposals to put outlejt malls with their traffic congestion and pollution on these headwaters as well.

**The Bay Starts at the Creek - Save the Bay - Keep the Creek!**

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**Testimony of Cathy Wiss**  
**Draft of the Clarksburg Limited Master Plan for the Ten Mile Creek Watershed**  
**Planning Board, M-NCPPC**  
**September 10, 2013**

Good evening Chair Carrier and Commissioners. My name is Cathy Wiss. Since 1997, I have monitored Ten Mile Creek. In April, I spoke to you about its high biological diversity and the effects of recent flooding. Tonight I will talk about false assumptions underlying the claim that ESD practices will protect or enhance Ten Mile Creek.

The draft plan puts too much faith in the promise that ESD devices will cure the effects of development. No studies have proven that ESD can prevent degradation of stream conditions or biology. This recently-installed infiltration trench along Route 355 in Clarksburg shows how an ESD device handles a 0.6" summer storm. A torrent of water more than a foot deep flows down the trench and under the road. Across the road, water in another trench pours swiftly into a drain. The result is muddier, higher runoff volume and flow than would occur in "woods in good condition". In comparison, a forest would have reduced runoff by intercepting rainfall, slowing down and absorbing it, and releasing water back into the air through evapotranspiration.

The consultants used generic modeling to predict post-development stream conditions, even though actual data from the USGS stream gage and DEP's two rain gages in the watershed would have produced more accurate results. The consultants further underestimated peak flows because developers requested these be reduced in the model. Yet, rain and stream data show that peak flows in Ten Mile Creek are high and frequent. Ten Mile Creek is steeply-sloped. In three miles, its elevation drops 300 feet, leading to rapid runoff.

Data from these gages also show that at Ten Mile Creek, storms of the same magnitude produce widely different amounts of runoff, contrary to the assumption in the Maryland Stormwater Design Manual that runoff will be similar. For instance, one-and-a-half inch storms have produced peak discharges ranging from 102 to 697 cubic feet per second. Peaks from 2" storms have ranged from 25 to 2,180 cubic feet per second. Peaks from one-year storms range from 110 to 1,360 cubic feet per second. The chief reason appears to be that short, intense rains produce higher peak flows than steady, lighter rains of longer duration. Yet, stormwater devices are best at handling steady inputs of rain. Other factors influencing peak flow are differences in evapotranspiration between winter and summer, and the amount of baseflow in the creek at the start of the rain. Under these circumstances the efficacy of ESD practices is hard to predict.

Finally, even if ESD devices were built to State and County standards for a one-year storm with a maximum infiltration rate of 2" per hour, we know that they could not have handled many of our recent storms. During the last two years, we have had 3-4 ten-year storms. Three have exceeded the 2" maximum. Add to that the expectation that runoff volume and peak flow will increase with development despite use of ESD devices and you can only conclude that our last best creek – the County's reference stream – deserves better: the greater protection afforded by forest conservation, not buildings and pavement armored with ESD devices that might be able to handle some, but certainly not the most destructive storms.



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Thank you for accepting this letter on the Clarksburg Plan.

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Francoise Carrier, Chairperson  
Maryland National Capital Park & Planning Commission  
Montgomery County Planning Board

Re: The Limited Master Plan Amendment for Clarksburg

Chairperson Carrier:

Thank you and members of the Planning Board for having held a lengthy hearing on the future of drinking water for the DC Metro area, water quality in Little Seneca Reservoir, Ten Mile Creek and the livability of Clarksburg. I am sure it was hard to sit there immobile for hours.

I served in the late 1980's and early 1990's on two separate Citizen Advisory Committees to the Silver Spring CBD Sector Plan process and one Citizen Advisory Committee on the County's Growth Plan. At the time I lived just north of Spring Street in Woodside Park where for a decade I was intimately involved in efforts to redevelop downtown Silver Spring. I advocated for the style and level of development that now makes downtown Silver Spring such a vibrant place as opposed to a series of office towers and huge enclosed regional mall. For over 20 years I served on the board of a national water quality and drinking water nonprofit called Clean Water Action, an organization working on these issues in approximately 14 states including Maryland.

In the summer of 1977, I was responsible for a report on the WSSC about trihalomethane levels (a weak carcinogen from overly chlorinated water containing too many organics) in our drinking water that helped to draw attention to this issue and eventually resulted in modifications to their treatment technology. I recount these things to show you that I've been committed to the quality of our land use, water quality and drinking water for quite some time.

I have lived in this County since 1980. Since I currently live in Chevy Chase, I cannot be labeled a NIMBY trying to keep development out of my backyard in Clarksburg. Rather I am trying to help you see the critical importance of preserving as much as possible of the Ten Mile Creek watershed in its current forested and farmed state, rather than being rather intensively developed for housing and commercial purposes.

The purpose of my letter is to remind you what the 1994 Clarksburg Master Plan (the Plan) says and doesn't say because many people made assertions at the hearing about what the Plan contains. Specifically, former Planning Board Chair Gus Bauman and others asserted that they invested heavily in the Ten Mile Creek watershed relying on the Plan and that you and the County must not change the Plan's basic outline to lower densities and preserve Ten Mile Creek because that would be breaking a special 'trust'.

Once land use decisions are embedded in plans, government bodies should not change those plans or they risk breaking that trust even if the plan says those decisions are contingent on preserving the health of local streams, forests, and providing for livable communities.

In other words, the development community says, 'forget the contingencies clearly embedded in the 1994 Plan and focus on the tables and maps that show large development capacity.'

In sum, the development interests asserted that the old 1994 Plan supports their proposals and that you must follow through on a 19 year old plan in order to guarantee their anticipated profitability. Gus Bauman essentially asserted that when he lambasted the staff draft for having reduced his client's property value to 'nothingness' that constituted a taking of private property. Oh yes, and lack of 'due process', as if multiple public hearings and lobbying Planning Board members don't constitute due process. I am not sure why he complained so strenuously since he told you and the other members of the Planning Board that the County Council would fix your errors anyway at his behest.

***My reading of the 1994 Plan is that it pre-supposed or assumed that the Plan might change midstream. It explicitly says that new evidence, evidence developed after the 1994 adoption, will affect the Plan and its recommended development densities.***

Leaving aside the obvious fact that you are NOT responsible for guaranteeing the Pulte's or anyone else's profitability on their investment decisions, I believe the development community fundamentally misread the 1994 Plan. In almost every section of every chapter the 1994 Plan calls for revisiting its conclusions after the first three stages of development are completed in Clarksburg and the County has had the opportunity to assess the impact of that development on water quality in local streams and on Little Seneca reservoir and of any new technologies to handle stormwater.

***So to assert, as they do, that those effects from stages 1 to 3 or studies should have no impact on revisions to the 1994 Plan is absurd and a profound misunderstanding of the 1994 Plan's staging provisions.***

There are numerous references to the need for environmental precautions in the 1994 Plan when it discusses future development. Yes, the Plan does include areas to be developed and the zoning map to enable development. To be sure, the Plan includes a table that shows a "Maximum End-State Development Potential" of 1,240 dwelling units and almost 1 million sq. ft. of commercial & retail space for the Ten Mile Creek Area (pg 40, Table 2, Chapter 3) BUT this was supposed to be subject to a critical constraint, the constraint that the creek and reservoir be protected.

From the Introduction, Chapter 1 of the Plan:

"The key natural features of the Clarksburg Study Area are shown in Figure 2. Water-related features are the most prominent. The Study Area lies almost entirely within one

watershed (Little Seneca Creek) and includes many streams flowing in a north-south direction. The streams, which flow to Little Seneca Lake, generally have good water quality; continuing the good health of these streams is a key concern of the Plan.” (pg.4, Chapter 1).

From the Chapter 2, Vision for the Future, the Plan lays out 10 key policies that guide the whole 1994 Plan. Given it’s placement as policy number 2, the Planning Board and Council placed a very high priority on this one:

“Policy 2 – Natural Environment. This Plan recommends that Clarksburg’s natural features, particularly stream valleys, be protected and recommends Ten Mile Creek and Little Seneca Creek be afforded special protection as development proceeds” (pg 18, Chapter 2)

From the next chapter of the Plan comes this proviso:

“This Plan recommends an extensive level of environmental mitigation because all the environmental studies done as part of this Master Plan process have identified Ten Mile Creek as a fragile stream due to its delicate ecosystem, low base flow, and highly erodible stream banks. In this respect, Ten Mile Creek differs from other streams in the Study Area and merits special consideration.” (pg 89, Chapter 3).

From the staging chapter of the Plan comes this proviso and requirement for what happens at Stage 4:

“The Plan presents seven guiding staging principles related to critical concerns and opportunities in Clarksburg.....Principle #6: Water Quality Protection. The timing and sequence of development in Clarksburg should respond to the unique environmental qualities of the area and help mitigate, in particular, development impacts to the environmentally sensitive stream valleys in the Ten Mile Creek watershed.” (pg 191, Chapter 9).

Stage 4 of the Plan requires “Baseline Monitoring”, aka baseline biological assessment, of the aquatic ecosystems of the Little Seneca Creek and Ten Mile Creek watersheds for a minimum of three years to measure and report changes to the biological integrity of the two watersheds. (pg. 197, Chapter 9). An additional trigger for State 4 was to be “Eastside BMP’s Monitored and Evaluated: The first Annual Report on the Water Quality Review Process following the release of 2,000 building permits on the Newcut Road and Town Center sub-areas is completed. This report will have evaluated the water quality best management practices (BMPs) and other mitigation techniques associated with Town Center/Newcut Road development and other similar developments in similar watersheds where BMPs have been monitored.” (pg. 198, Chapter 9).

What have these studies found? Well, they find that the BMPs mostly operate as engineered BUT there is enough polluted storm water runoff from these areas that the development has actually degraded Little Seneca Creek and its arm of Little Seneca reservoir (see attached picture) DESPITE the best engineering efforts of the developers, the best permitting and oversight efforts of the County’s DEP and everyone’s expectation that things would turn out for the better.

The 1994 Plan is very clear on what to do after the Eastside BMPs are monitored and evaluated. It says the County Council may:

1. Grant water and sewer category changes without placing limiting conditions on property owners.
2. Grant category changes subject to property owners taking additional measures to protect water quality.
3. Defer action pending further study.
4. *Consider such other land use actions as are deemed necessary [emphasis added by witness].*

(paraphrased from pg199, Chapter 9)

Hence, the County Council, and by reference the Planning Board, may decide to recommend any of these courses of action including actions that would change aspects of the 1994 Plan such as density, placement of development, etc. in order to protect the local creeks better than was occurring in the build out of stages 1 to 3.

### **Conclusion**

Our community....Montgomery County and all its citizens.... have entrusted you with the role of Stewardship. Think about your roles as Stewards. You are Stewards for the people, for the community, for the land, and for our environment. Those are very important responsibilities.

So, I ask you this question: Why degrade this creek with 1,000 housing units, an outlet mall, and shopping/office complex when the development is more suited elsewhere? Why rely on unproven water quality prediction models and environmental site design ideas that have never been applied at this scale before and where there are NO, NONE, NOT ONE example of where these techniques have preserved a high quality drinking water source creek before?

Why take that risk with the LAST, BEST CREEK in our county? Are you so sure it will work? Is staff positive it will work? Is our last, best creek the right place to run this EXPERIMENT? Aren't we smarter than that?

For you see there is no turning back and fixing the creek after the bulldozers start pushing over the trees, ripping up the soil, blasting through fragile rock to cut roads and building pads. When the sediment starts moving into the creek, when the stream bugs start getting smothered by silt, toasted by the higher temperature water, and flushed out by the increased floods that will come, where will you be? Will you wring your hands and say we were promised a different outcome? The consultants and the staff and the developers all told us it could be done without damaging the creek too much? Or more absurdly that development would actually improve the creek? That one is a laugh. Where will you be when Little Seneca takes yet another hit in water quality and the WSSC has to backflush its filters more often, turn up the chlorine a little higher because the Potomac has more sediment and organics in it, and our children ask why the water tastes and smells so bad?

I hope you will be watching and learning. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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Source: USGS image via Google Earth taken 4/2008. Showing developed subwatersheds polluting reservoir. Water is lighter from sediment and algal growth.



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Dear Chairman Carrier,

Because water is essential to life I write you regarding Ten Mile Creek. Ten Mile Creek feeds Little Seneca Reservoir a key water supply for over 3 million Washington area residents.

Plans for sprawl development near Clarkburg, past Germantown, threaten the creek. The plans have to deliver on earlier promises to Clarkburg citizens for transit, shopping and schools.

I hope our Montgomery County Planning Board together with the County Council will use proven methods to give Clarkburg citizens the town center they need and that you will protect our area's drinking water.

See a detailed review of how to save the creek  
<http://bit.ly/17a50a9>,

or go on Twitter @save10milecreek.

I regret that my computer is not working. Please include & use my suggestions even after your hearing on 10 mile creek on Sept 10<sup>th</sup>.

Very sincerely,  
Charlotte Brewer

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Dear Chairperson Carrier,

Attached please find my comments regarding the above action.

Sincerely,

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Written Comments Submitted 13 September 2013 - J.R. Nuckols, PhD  
RE: Montgomery County Planning Board, Ten Mile Creek  
FOR: Caroline Taylor, Executive Director, Montgomery Countryside Alliance  
DATE: 10 September 2013

The qualifications of Dr. Nuckols are presented in the Appendix of this document.

#### Characteristics of a Watershed in the Piedmont Physiographic Province of Maryland

The hydrologic regime of a Piedmont PP watershed such as Ten Mile Creek, has been eloquently described by Hewlett and others (Nuckols et al. 1982). Hydraulically, these watersheds can be anecdotally described using a "hand". Hold your hand, facing the palm. The pattern of connecting fingers illustrates the dendritic pattern of the stream system that governs surface water discharge from these watersheds. Each finger represents a tributary to the mainstream channel (centerline of your palm through the wrist). These tributaries can be perennial (ever-flowing) or intermittent (precipitation activated) in terms of surface water flow. In either case, the length of visible flow is generally increased during and following precipitation events. The duration of this extension can be seasonal, and is dependent on the second important attribute of these watersheds, the "source area" for surface and groundwater flow.

The source area theory for describing hydrologic regime and response in watersheds of the Piedmont Physiographic Region has been well document and field validated (citations upon request). Simply, the source area can be described as a sponge composed of the unconsolidated mantle of material (soils, rocks, and associated flora: trees, shrubs, detritus) accumulated over the life of the stream atop the more solid bedrock that forms its topographic foundation. When the sponge is saturated by precipitation, the length of the active stream channel grows, thus producing higher rates and volume of surface runoff. During dryer periods, the sponge serves as a source for perennial stream flow (termed base flow) as well as recharge of underlying aquifers. The sponge also serves as a filter, whereby stream and ground water quality is a function of residence time of precipitation in the source area.

#### Impact of Modification of the Hydrologic Regime in a Watershed in the Piedmont Physiographic Province of Maryland

Any perturbation of either the stream channel or source area systems in a Piedmont watershed such as Ten Mile Creek changes the water yield and quality, both of which affect stream and watershed ecology. Unfortunately, there are few, if any, Piedmont watersheds undisturbed by human activity such as timber removal, conversion, redistribution or removal of the mantel (e.g. agricultural, urbanization, mining), and/or modification of the natural stream channel system, including filling, channelization, or replacement with storm water piping and retention basins. However, the impact of these perturbations can be measured in terms of the degree to which the hydrologic regime is in equilibrium, both in terms of aquatic and watershed ecology (diversity and speciation), and hydrologic response (e.g. rate of erosion and surface/groundwater recharge response

to rate and seasonal timing of precipitation). *Therefore, it is essential in water resource management to establish baseline conditions* through rigorous scientific field studies of stream and watershed ecology, water yield (surface and groundwater recharge), water quality, and integrity (stability; sustainability) of the stream channel and source area systems before allowing further perturbations that could adversely affect the hydrologic regime. Baseline studies should be conducted over a sufficient variation in time (season) and precipitation event types so that the data can be used to assess predictions of impact (e.g. computer modeling) and as markers of impact post perturbation (e.g. establishment of thresholds for invention or cessation of the planned perturbation).

#### Ten Mile Creek: a special case in study for protection of water resources in the Piedmont Region

Ten Mile Creek is a unique Piedmont watershed in terms of its baseline conditions regarding ecology, water quality, location (proximity to urban areas), and its role as a principle source of water for two supplies protected by the US Safe Drinking Water Act: Little Seneca Lake (District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority) and the Piedmont Aquifer.

#### Recommendation for actions by the Montgomery County Planning Board

By all rights, and because of its unique attributes, Ten Mile Creek should be granted special protected status, similar to that of other fragile ecosystems that serve as sources for water supplies up and down the Piedmont Physiographic Region, and elsewhere (e.g. Liberty Reservoir, Baltimore County). Special status should begin with establishing drinking water and aquatic life protection as the sole or preeminent objectives of this Limited Master Plan Amendment, and by establishing science-based, enforceable planning, zoning, and permitting requirements to maintain the high water quality of Ten Mile Creek and not allow any further degradation.

In addition to the Master Plan Amendment, zoning and other regulatory land use methods of stream and watershed protection listed above, further promulgation of other regulations and programs will be needed, including

- 1) Research, monitoring and periodic analyses documenting the necessary baseline information of the surface water and groundwater quality and quantity of Ten Mile Creek and its portion of the Piedmont Sole Source Aquifer, and of its living resources;
- 2) Prescribed and effective assessment for protection and restoration of the watershed in terms of its drinking water supply; ecologic; and cultural (e.g. Low impact natural area recreation) value
- 3) Prescribed and effective assessment methods for permitting any modifications of land use within the watershed, for instance there will be the need for additional layers of review of any permits submitted for projects within this watershed. We recommend that both the additional review already afforded by the Special Protection Area status remain in place, and that Montgomery County DEP partner with MDE to establish anti-degradation Tier 2 (High Quality Waters) status for Ten Mile Creek.

#### Limitations of Engineering Solutions versus Water Resource Protection

- \* Storm water management – typically designed for flood control (reduce peak runoff) at the expense of base flow and “flushing” events critical to healthy aquatic ecosystem.
- \* Rarely avoids upsetting hydrologic regime, resulting in channel erosion, destruction of habitat, tiered affect headwaters to receiving water resource
- \* When a reservoir, such as Little Seneca, is the receiving water reserve, drinking water source quality is adversely affected by increased sedimentation and contaminants from urban runoff (especially reservoir sediment as source of contaminants and precursors to byproducts of chemical water treatment). This results in not only degradation of water quality, but increase expense for water treatment, and increase potential adverse health effects associated with chemical byproducts generated by “treating” a polluted water supply. Also, pathogens such as *Cryptosporidium* are not removed by standard disinfection practices such as chlorination.
- \* No remedy for adverse impacts on source water quantity and quality of Piedmont Aquifer). Watersheds such as Ten Mile Creek are generally located in fault zones that serve as primary recharge zones for such aquifers, in this can a Sole Source Aquifer protected under the US Safe Drinking Water Act.

#### Reference

Nuckols, J.R. and Moore, I.D. 1982. The Influence of Atmospheric Influx upon the Stream Nitrogen Profile of a Relatively Undisturbed Forested Watershed. *Journal of Hydrology*. 57 (1):113-135.

**Appendix: Brief Biography – J.R. Nuckols, Professor, Environmental Health Sciences**

John .R. (Jay) Nuckols earned a PhD in Engineering from the University of Kentucky (1982), an MS in Civil Engineering [Environmental Health] from Northwestern University (1975), and a BS in General Engineering from Texas A&I University (1973). He has over 30 years of experience in research and application of environmental sciences in ecological and human health risk assessment, including 11 years self-employed as a consultant in environmental health and hydrological sciences (1980-1991). During that period he garnered extensive experience in water resource impact assessment (hydrologic and water quality; point and non-point pollution sources), design of storm drainage infrastructure, and case development/expert testimony in technical aspects of administrative and legal proceedings under the Clean Water Act, the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (SMCRA), and other environmental laws. He produced over 50 technical reports or manuscripts on these topics, and was instrumental in achievements such as the first lands to be designated as unsuitable for mining in the State of Kentucky under the auspices of SMCRA.

In 1992, Dr. Nuckols established the Environmental Health Advanced Systems Laboratory at Colorado State University, with a mission to conduct research on the development and application of computer-based technology, including simulation modeling, geographic information systems (GIS), and remote sensing technology, in exposure assessment for environmental epidemiology studies. At that time, the application of GIS and exposure modeling to the health sciences was in its infancy.

Dr. Nuckols is particularly recognized for his advocacy of collaboration between engineering, earth, and health sciences in public health research. In the late 1990s, his laboratory was instrumental in development of the exposure assessment strategy concerning water supply contaminants in the ongoing U.S. Centers for Disease Control National Birth Defects and Prevention Study. From 2002-2010 he served as a lead scientist on exposure assessment for several major epidemiology studies being conducted by the Occupational and Environmental Epidemiology Branch, Division of Cancer Epidemiology and Genetics, U.S. National Cancer Institute. These ongoing studies include chemical contamination of water supply and bladder cancer, non-occupational exposure to agricultural pesticides and childhood leukemia, and proximity to industrial releases of toxic compounds and non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. From 2009 to 2011, Dr. Nuckols was in residence at the National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland, as a senior researcher at the Fogarty International Institute Division of International Epidemiology and Population Studies, where he was lead on a project entitled "GIS-based modeling: Water supply, water use and other environmental factors associated with enteric disease and associated morbidity and mortality in children under age 5". He is currently contracted by the Unité Cancer et Environnement of the Centre Léon Bérard, in Lyon, France, to assist in development and implementation of geographic-based exposure assessment for nationwide epidemiological studies concerning fugitive environmental emissions of pesticides and dioxins.

Recently, Dr. Nuckols was bestowed the title of Emeritus Professor in Environmental Health by the administrators of Colorado State University. He continues to conduct research and consultation in applications of environmental and geospatial sciences in health and ecological risk assessment, through his faculty position at Colorado State University, and through his private practice located in the Washington D.C. suburb of North Bethesda, Maryland.

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Please find my testimony attached.

As I supplement, in response to the legal issues raised at the hearing I offer the following:

An historical note: Mr. Bauman, as associate general counsel of the planning board advised the board in the Friendship Heights down zoning, He prepared a memorandum for the board that emphasized the importance of basing decisions on careful study of the area and connecting actions to the findings of the study. Second, he warned that while down zoning could reduce the value and potential use of land, the reduction could not be so severe that it deprived an owner of all reasonable uses. The 90% reduction in allowable density resulting from the Friendship Heights plan and the subsequent sectional map amendment was upheld by the Maryland Court of Appeals and the U.S., Supreme Court denied cert. *Montgomery County v. Woodward & Lothrop*, 280 Md. 686; 378 A.2d 483 (1977); cert. den. 434 U.S. 1067 (1978).

There is nothing in the law since that time, notwithstanding several Supreme Court decisions on regulatory takings, that change that reasoning.

Maryland is a late-vesting state. An owner's right to a particular use does not vest until "substantial construction" has occurred such that a reasonable person could tell that a building was underway. *Prince George's County v. Sunrise Development Ltd. Partnership*, 623 A.2d 1296 (Md. 1993). In Maryland there is no vested right in zoning, or even an approved subdivision or site plan, if no construction has started and is underway.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Subject:** Clarksburg and ESD to the MEP

The new storm water management (SWM) requirements include Environmental Site Design (ESD) to the Maximum Extent Practical (MEP) known as **ESD to the MEP**.

Discussing ESD, a panoply of storm water management techniques, without reference to the MEP shows a lack of understanding of the new requirements and their effects. MEP means that a developer and the County must consider the most practical and most effective technique, that includes minimizing impervious surfaces, to determine the course of action to best manage storm water and protect streams, prevent flooding and minimize environmental impacts. Recent EPA studies show ESD to the MEP reflect substantial improvement over traditional SWM techniques and can, in fact, IMPROVE the existing SWM of sites disturbed by agriculture, roads, even existing, traditional regional SWM facilities.

No matter the ultimate zoning categories, development with ESD to the MEP provides the County the tools needed to allow responsible land use and protect the natural environment, minimize impacts and protect the health of our valuable water reservoirs. It works and ESD to the MEP received support from the same environmental groups that today raise doubts about the effectiveness of the approach for which they strongly advocated.

Talking about ESD without MEP is like talking about zoning while ignoring master plans. ESD are techniques, MEP is about what you are trying to accomplish.

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Attached please find a letter to the Planning Board and the Chair Francoise Carrie regarding Ten Mile Creek.

Thanks, in advance for your assistance and attention to this critical matter.

--Jed Meline

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September 7, 2013

Montgomery County Planning Board  
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Silver Spring, MD 20910

Re: Public Hearing Draft (dated September 2013)  
**Ten Mile Creek Area, Limited Amendment to Clarksburg Master Plan**

Dear Planning Board Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to contribute to public comment on the present draft amendment concerning the Ten Mile Creek.

My wife and I very much value the quality of life that is offered in Montgomery County. As parents of two children, we find the public education system an essential component, of course, and also very important to us is the county's provision of both recreational and conservation parks. As our sons grow, it is an important part of our family life to enjoy with them and to help them appreciate and understand the natural world as it is here where we live. Underlying all this, of course, is the ongoing ecology of the natural systems that provide healthy air, water, and soil in a functioning web of life upon which our family and all residents of the County depend.

We look to the Planning Board to protect crucial components of these functions in Montgomery County, to counter-balance normal development pressures with persistence in a long-term view that safeguards the function as well as the beauty of the land in this county.

I am deeply concerned about the softness of some of the Public Hearing draft language—e.g., “*minimize* disturbance,” “*minimize* impacts,” “retain [biodiversity]...*as much as possible*”—all of which suggest only a moderation of activities that will inevitably degrade Ten Mile Creek. To allow as much as 7% of the Ten Mile Creek watershed to become impervious is to allow certain and systemic degradation, and the dismantlement of a currently healthy, functioning ecosystem. While this ecosystem was once typical of our terrain, it has become rare in occurrence—and thus priceless. Its preservation should be part of the heritage we pass to the next generations of Montgomery County

While most of government/regulation rightly involves negotiation and compromise, I ask the Planning Board to regard as absolute its responsibility to exclude from damage the sensitive and significant headwaters of Ten Mile Creek. Restricting development to the Clarksburg town center will serve the interests of the whole County, as well as the needs of Clarksburg residents.

Sincerely yours,

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I am submitting my written testimony (individual) for the Sept 10th hearing on 10 Mile Creek.

Thank you,  
Rita La Porta  
Germantown, MD

**TESTIMONY:**

I consider it an honor to be able to speak directly to you tonight as an ordinary citizen and voter who respects and cares about this wonderful county in which I have lived in for over 37 years.

My previous experiences with the Planning Board left me with an eye-opening awareness of the complexities of your mission, the often-conflicting objectives you deal with, and a true appreciation for the detailed, carefully weighed decisions and recommendations that have been made on behalf of Montgomery County, and on behalf of thoughtful growth and development.

So tonight I'm here to ask for and trust in that same diligence on your part. To say that I, as a supporter of Save 10 Mile Creek do understand the ingrained conflicts presented here: development vs preservation, expansion vs environment. I understand that development and nature can and do co-exist and that environmental standards can and are wisely applied with positive results – that is, however, when the *land-use* is appropriate.

My point is this: for this particular plan – this plan to develop residentially and commercially in a watershed, all along the headwaters of a creek, a creek still highly pristine in nature, a creek that feeds a drinking water reservoir, a creek that is our last best creek and a current standard for water quality in Montgomery County, a sensitive natural watershed, with proven science stating any further impervious surface or tampering with forest buffers will definitely degrade the creek and in turn bring pollution to the reservoir – decisions about this particular plan do NOT seem complicated to me. It seems clear cut. More than that, it seems imperative!

The land-use proposed for west of I-270 is totally inappropriate. Of course we must protect 10 Mile Creek, the natural watershed, and Little Seneca Lake. We must protect and preserve this entire watershed, and still give Clarksburg the vibrant town center and appropriate infrastructure they were promised.

There are other investments here than just those of the developers. There are the investments of policy makers and residents. The policy makers invest in the future of this county with their decisions. We as residents invest our all in where we choose to live, where and how we choose for our children to grow. We invest emotionally as well as financially in our immediate environment, in balancing our needs with nature, in leaving a legacy to our children, the most obvious of which might be clean water and access to undisturbed natural environments. In case it hasn't been fully realized yet by anyone I want to affirm and underscore the incredible treasure that is rural Montgomery county, that is pristine 10 mile creek, that is the stunning, teaming-with-species mini-wilderness we call Little Seneca Lake. Targeting this particular land for houses and a shopping mall is outlandish; tampering with and degrading this precious, "last" clean water source would surely be a shameful legacy.

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**Garcia, Joyce**

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You can always develop an area, but you can never "undevelop" it. We shouldn't "spoil" *all* our land with the road pollutants, invasive plants and additional deer that somehow always come with opening up an area for buildings and roads.

Sincerely,  
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To: Chair Francoise Carrier and Commissioners, Montgomery County Planning Board

Fr: Alan Bowser

Re: Ten Mile Creek Limited Amendment comment re: Imperviousness Limits

Date: September 13, 2013

One of the developers proposing to build in Ten Mile Creek, Pulte, was right about one thing: there is no justification for unequal imperviousness limits that treat one developer and parcel different from other developers and parcels. My view as an individual is that Ten Mile Creek needs appropriately low and protective, and fair, limits on imperviousness that apply equally to all developable parcels.

The prospect contained in the Public Hearing Draft that would allow the Petersen and Egan tracts to have a 25% imperviousness limit, while Pulte has only 8%, doesn't make sense from either an environmental or a fairness perspective. The plan provides justification, based on watershed science and potential impact of development, for the 8% restriction for site-level plans, but none whatsoever for the 25% allowance. The right--and fair--thing to do is to reduce the imperviousness limit east of 270 to 8%. Below is a table comparing Hearing Draft values with a proposed watershed-wide 8% imperviousness cap that is both more protective and fair to all.

Ten Mile Creek Limited Amendment Imperviousness Recommendations			
Property	Existing Conditions and parcels	Sept. 10 Hearing Draft	Alternative Recommendation
Miles-Coppola/Peterson	100 acre parcel	25% IA cap for parcels >5 acres = ~ 25 Impervious Acres	8% = ~ 8 Impervious Acres
Pulte	540 acre parcel	8% = 43 Impervious acres	8% = 43 Impervious Acres
Egan	100 acre parcel	25% IA cap = ~ 25 Impervious acres	8% = ~ 8 Impervious Acres
County-owned	380 acres total;	8 % IA cap "should	8% = 7.52 Impervious

	Of that, two parcels of 94 acres total are undeveloped.	the County develop this land." = 7.52 Impervious Acres	Acres
<b>Ten Mile Creek watershed-wide results</b>	~3000 total acres in the TMC planning area; now at 4.1% total imperviousness.	100.52 additional impervious acres + 123 existing Imp. Acres = 223.52 total Imp. Acres =  <u>7.45% total watershed-wide imperviousness.</u>	66.52 additional impervious acres + 123 existing Imp. Acres = 189.52 total Imp. Acres =  <u>6.3% total watershed-wide imperviousness.</u>

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**From:** Carrier, Francoise  
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For the record.

Françoise M. Carrier  
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**From:** Jean Cavanaugh [<mailto:jeancavanaugh@fastmail.fm>]  
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**To:** Carrier, Francoise  
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Dear Chair Carrier,

On September 10, I testified in support of 4% impervious cap in the Ten Mile Creek area. I want to add my comments to the written record, and add information I didn't include in my testimony.

I am very concerned about clean water in Montgomery County and the entire Washington DC area. As I mentioned in my oral testimony on September 10, we, as taxpayers and residents, should be very concerned about the cost of clean water. I often feel like the man that follows the elephant with the shovel. One of those shovels is the MS4 permit, mandated through the State of Maryland by EPA under the Clean Water Act, and implemented in our County by DEP. Under the MS4 permit, which costs taxpayers millions of dollars, DEP is supposed to maintain and improve the health of our waterways.

The Planning Department's staff report foresees Ten Mile Creek's condition worsening with the development they suggest. I really don't understand, as a taxpayer and clean water advocate, how that can be allowed under the Clean Water Act.

I also want to mention the Clarksburg Master Plan. Whether it was a good idea or not to build a town in Clarksburg given the absence of public transit, the people of Clarksburg deserve completion of Phase 1-3, including their Town Center, that was promised to them. After full build out of Phase 1-3 of the Clarksburg Master Plan, clean water and our environment deserve a several year waiting period so the true environmental impact of full Phase 1-3 can be understood.

So, whether the Planning Board believes the stormwater runoff and pollutants that always accompany development the size of Phase 4 Pulte and Peterson proposals can be mitigated or not, the Planning Board, according to their charter, has the responsibility to measure and evaluate the impact of Phase 1-3 on Ten Mile Creek.

Pulte and Peterson are national developers intimately knowledgeable with Master Plan process and laws at national, state and local levels. They knew the speculative risk they took when they bought the land at Ten Mile

Creek. We cannot and should not violate and cause great harm to that land, and to the long term health of County residents, so those national companies can make more profit.

What I would like to see is Pulte and Peterson using the advantage our tax laws offer to create a tax deductible conservation area forever for the land on which they speculated.

I thank you and the Board for spending the time on this matter that it deserves.

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Dear Chair Carrier,

Attached are my written comments on the Public Hearing Draft of the 10 Mile Creek Area Limited Amendment that I am submitting for your review and consideration as part of the record for the 10 Mile Creek Public Hearing scheduled for September 9, 2013.

I will be happy to answer any questions that you or the staff may have. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Ephraim King

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## **Ephraim King - Ten Mile Creek Testimony**

### **INTRODUCTION**

Good morning. My name is Ephraim King. My family and I have lived in Montgomery County for close to 30 years. Over most of that period until December of 2011 when I retired, I have worked for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency with the majority of my time spent focusing on water management, water quality, and water policy issues. I have worked with and managed technical and scientific experts in a range of water-related areas. These include NPDES state program support and oversight, phase I stormwater implementation, drinking water public health criteria and standards, development of water quality criteria, water quality assessment, bio-monitoring, and different regulatory and non-regulatory approaches to supporting watershed and water quality protection.

I am not a scientific expert and I do not represent EPA. But I do have experience with a number of the technical water quality issues being addressed in the context of the Ten Mile Creek (TMC) Area Limited Amendment. So I am pleased to be able to testify as a Montgomery County citizen, stakeholder and water quality professional. I also appreciate the opportunity to offer testimony on the very thorough and impressive Existing Conditions and Environmental Analysis that the Planning Board, its staff and expert consultants have developed. This Analysis significantly informs the consideration of potential TMC impacts not only from Stage 4 of the 1994 Master Plan but also, and perhaps more importantly, from those associated with scenarios 3, 4, and 5. In addition to my verbal remarks, I am submitting this written testimony to the record for your review and consideration.

### **SUBSTANTIAL NEW SCIENCE AND DATA TO EVALUATE SCENARIOS 3, 4, AND 5**

The September 2013 Public Hearing Draft of the 10 Mile Creek (TMC) Area Limited Amendment and attached Environmental Analysis with numerous appendices offer substantially more in the way of data, new information, and technically-based evaluation than was previously available either for development of the 1994 Master Plan (Scenario 2) or the subsequent formulation of Scenarios 3, 4, and 5. As noted in the introduction to today's public hearing draft, the County Council directed the Planning Board to develop and assess a limited amendment to the 1994 Clarksburg Master Plan specifically "because environmental analysis showed continued uncertainty about the ability to protect sensitive resources in the ten Mile Creek if full development occurred under the original plan recommendations." With one exception noted below, much of that uncertainty has been addressed by the TMC Environmental Analysis.



### **ANALYSIS INDICATES SCENARIOS 3, 4, AND 5 WILL NOT PROTECT TMC WATERSHED**

Although Scenarios 3, 4, and 5 were formulated as alternatives to Stage 4 of the 1994 Clarksburg Master Plan, the TMC Environmental Analysis and its extensive technical record provide a strong basis for the conclusion that while these Scenarios may be less intrusive in different respects than the 1994 Master Plan, there is a high likelihood that they may not operate in practice to effectively "protect sensitive resources in the Ten Mile Creek Special Creek Special Protection Area" over the long term. To the contrary and to respectfully put it more starkly, the new scientific information, technical data, and expert evaluation offered by the Environmental Analysis record support a significant concern that deciding between Scenarios 3, 4, and 5 may simply offer the choice between a gradually protracted versus an accelerated degradation of the Ten Mile Creek watershed. There is substantial risk that this degradation will lead to the elimination of one of the few remaining reference streams in Montgomery County and result in non-attainment of the applicable designated I-P stream use currently assigned to Ten Mile Creek and its tributaries. This is not what the Council or Planning Board wants. It is not consistent with either the goals of the Special Protection Area or the existing applicable water quality designated use of I-P for TMC main stem and its tributaries. And it is not consistent with the broader interest of Montgomery County or its citizens to preserve this resource for the broader community.

### **HEAVY RELIANCE ON ESD NOT VALIDATED AND WILL NOT PROTECT TMC LONG TERM**

The concern that Scenarios 3, 4, and 5 will fail to maintain the water quality, sensitive species and the increasingly rare habitat in the TMC watershed is supported by the documented development experience in Seneca Creek and Sub watershed 206, the test comparison between the New Cut Road Tributary and Soper Creek, and the continued emphasis (found in the Public Hearing Draft, the attached Environmental Analysis, and the 2011 Special Area Annual Report) that Environmental Site Design (ESD) while "state of the art" has not been documented or validated at a watershed-scale level either in Montgomery County or in the broader related literature and research. This last point is particularly significant because the viability and protectiveness of Scenarios 3, 4, and 5 do not appear ultimately to be tied to their design so much as to a heavy reliance on the successful and comprehensive implementation of ESD as a mitigation measure. The challenge with this reliance is that the underlying documentation makes clear that ESD 1) is not 100% effective, 2) has not been validated or demonstrated at a watershed scale, 3) may be undersized if current models are relied upon, 4) has not been rigorously implemented and managed in previous contexts, and 5) is likely to be "overwhelmed" in the context of one severe or back-to-back storms because of inherent limitations related to sizing, timing and infiltration rates.

### **PLANNING BOARD NEEDS BROADER RANGE OF ALTERNATIVES TO MEET DUAL GOALS**

A further concern, but also possibly an opportunity, is that in key respects scenarios 3, 4, and 5 do not offer the Planning Board the flexibility and range of technically based development alternatives that will allow it to achieve the dual objectives of the 1994 Master Plan which are

- \* "the creation of a well-defined corridor town that provides jobs, homes, and commercial activities;

- \* and the preservation of natural resources critical to the County's well-being."

Each Scenario has similar amounts of disturbed land and continues to include significant development activity in the particularly sensitive subwatershed area west of I-270 and east of the TMC main stem. The three Scenarios appear to have comparable impervious rates west of I-270 between approximately 7 and 9 %, with impervious rates rising to 25% east of I-270. The hydrology discussion in the Environmental Analysis related to total stormflow volume, peak streamflow, and streamflow velocity indicates that "In most watersheds, the differences between the development proposed under Scenario 3 versus Scenario 4 were too small to result in any significant model response. Scenario 5 did have somewhat reduced runoff rates, but, particularly in the SPA area west of I-270, implications of the runoff rates on the ability to maintain the current TMC status as a County-wide reference stream with an I-P high water quality designated use does not appear to be addressed. In many important respects runoff rates, peak flows, and stormwater volumes have major implications for long-term maintenance of watershed health. Critical path issues include the amount of TSS and other pollutants carried off a site, pollutant loading transport downstream, downstream impacts, changes in stream morphology, and scouring of the stream bed habitat. These all will significantly affect the ability to protect and maintain a healthy watershed.

The opportunity exists for the Planning Board to request staff to develop additional scenarios. Additional development options could consider reducing the overall impervious level to 6% which would allow development of Town Center and development east of I-270 to proceed. Additional evaluation could be given to deferring development west of I-270 until the results and their downstream impacts from activity east of I-270 can be evaluated. Finally, additional alternatives could be developed that offer different density, transit, and pedestrian oriented options to more fully honor the vision of the 1994 Clarksburg Master Plan.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS DEFERS FORMAL ANSWER ON PROTECTION OF TMC**

The Environmental Analysis is impressively comprehensive, thorough and forthright with support from an extensive body of literature and research. In a number of areas, the analysis characterizes the change in impacts from the 1994 Master Plan which sometimes are significant. However, it does not appear to link such changes to central question of whether or

not the ultimate goals of the Limited Amendment can be attained which is to protect the TMC watershed and its sensitive resources while at the same time striking an appropriate balance that allows development. The analysis seems to accept core aspects of the development component of the 1994 master plan as a baseline which appropriately considers one objective of the Amendment. But as to protecting the TMC watershed resource, preserving its status as a reference stream, and assuring continued attainment of the I-P designated use, it provides analysis on comparative changes from the 1994 plan as well as extensive data on the five factors in the environmental analysis, but does not appear to provide a bottom line synthesizing this information into a technical discussion, judgement, or assessment as to the likelihood of continuing to maintain, protect and preserve the watershed under Scenarios 3, 4, and 5.

#### **SUBSTANCE OF TEXT AND EXPERT VIEWS CONVEY SERIOUS DOUBT ON TMC PROTECTION**

One way to read the report is conclude that staff and experts believe it is doubtful that Scenarios 3, 4, and 5 will be able to maintain and preserve the unique attributes of the TMC watershed, its status as a County-wide reference stream, and its current attainment of the I-P designated use. This is suggested by the repeated acknowledgment that any development will have negative impacts on the sensitive headwater subwatersheds coupled with a consistent emphasis on the main mitigation tool, ESD, as state of the Art but not validated, proven, or effectively implemented to date at the watershed scale. If the Planning Board decides to request the staff and experts for additional analysis and options, this linkage of data and technical analysis to the ability to maintain and preserve the TMC watershed would be an essential component to include. Whatever the technical assessment may be, the conversation about goals, tradeoffs, or alternative options can thereby be better informed.

#### **ESD NOT VALIDATED ON WATERSHED SCALE AND WILL NOT FULLY MITIGATE IMPACTS**

As to reliance on Environmental Site Design, current literature and research reviewed as part of the Environmental analysis do not appear to support State of the practice BMPs and ESD strategies as a proven effective watershed-wide strategies. They are clearly essential but not sufficient. Available data, literature, and experience from recent development activities in the County make clear that sole reliance on them as mitigation measures is not an effective substitute for additional development design options that reduce disturbed areas, increase density, and more significantly minimize impervious surfaces.

Page 9 and 10 of the Environmental Analysis seems to support hesitancy regarding full reliance on watershed scale implementation of ESD: "The results of the Hydrologic model indicate that ESD will not fully mitigate the impacts of development on hydrology in the watershed." The conclusion section goes on to indicate that "Given the level of development proposed, increases in stormwater runoff volume and peak flow can be expected in all development scenarios despite the application of ESD practices" (Center for Watershed Protection, 2013).

The expert discussion concludes that "ESD represents the state of the practice for site planning and post-construction stormwater runoff management. However, rigorous and comprehensive implementation across or within watersheds has not occurred nor been monitored to establish a base of literature where we can conclude that watershed impacts won't be observed." Finally, this section offers the recommendation that "While gaining watershed-based knowledge on the efficacy of ESD will be valuable, it may not be prudent to have initial experience and studies conducted in high quality watersheds."

This hesitancy is reinforced by conclusions of the 2011 Special Protection Area Annual report on page 38 which indicates that "There is the expectation that the new and more stringent SWM and E&SC laws are the best and most 'special' to mitigate impacts to the sensitive resources, but there is almost no actual data demonstrating this." The Public Hearing Draft echoes this technical uncertainty on page 16 by concluding that "... given the current lack of corroborating [ESD] studies at a comparable [watershed] scale, it remains prudent to include safeguards to help ensure that this high quality watershed will continue to be able to sustain sensitive species and achieve good stream conditions over most of the watershed." The question of what those validated and demonstrated additional safeguards might be beyond existing stormwater BMPs and components of a well-executed ESD strategy remain an essential issue. But whatever is identified, this concern underscores the level of risk and vulnerability for the TMC watershed of relying principally on mitigation measures to assure its long-term preservation and protection. In turn, this underscores the value of the Planning Board considering a request to its staff of developing additional options and alternatives for the Board's consideration along the lines noted above.

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**Attachments:** Ten Mile Creek written testimony\_Tenley Wurglitz\_9.10.13.docx

Dear Planning Board,

Please find attached my written testimony regarding the Public Hearing Draft of the Clarksburg Limited Master Plan for the Ten Mile Creek Watershed. I will also be presenting spoken testimony at tonight's public hearing.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours truly,  
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Public Hearing Draft of the Clarksburg Limited Master Plan for the Ten Mile  
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Thank you for the opportunity to testify. My name is Tenley Wurglitz and I live in Washington, D.C., but I was raised in Montgomery County and still consider it to be home. I was fortunate to spend much of my childhood living in a home in North Potomac that backed onto a stream valley park and I was equally fortunate to have parents who encouraged me to play outside. The years I spent exploring the creeks behind our house in many ways shaped the person I am today. My love of nature led me to study Biology and Environmental Studies in college and to earn a Master's degree in Environmental Management from the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies.

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One troubling impact of development that I'd like to focus on is the effect of development on flooding in Ten Mile Creek. As we know, streams are dynamic systems and flooding is a natural and periodic occurrence in response to episodes of heavy or continuous rainfall or rapid snow or ice melt. Ten Mile Creek is particularly prone to flooding from stormwater runoff due to its underlying geology and the topography of the watershed, which is characterized by steep slopes.

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The future of our region depends on a reliable supply of clean drinking water. With such a critical resource at stake, the only responsible action is to use the only method proven to protect a healthy waterway from degradation—permanent protection of the watershed.

Thank you.

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**Subject:** Clarksburg's Future

As residents of Montgomery County for over 50 years, we have witnessed many mistakes made to our precious land to only build a more robust tax income for the County. It is now time for our County officials to do the right thing and protect the land in and around Clarksburg.

We have one of the most pristine water sources in Montgomery County in Ten Mile Creek. A mall being built on top of the head waters will be an environmental disaster. Once it is gone, you can't go back. This has been proven again and again over the years with previous mistakes and bad decisions. Let's stop talking about mitigation of environmental damage as if it were inevitable. Let's start talking about not tolerating any damage.

Keeping the promise of creating a walkable Town Center for Clarksburg would be greatly damaged with building a sprawl mall a mile up the road on 355. The only ones to benefit from the mall would be the developers not the people of Clarksburg. Community building for Clarksburg is to get a Town Center with its gathering places built. Real community building will bring transit and express bus service into town. Real community building will keep development on a community-scale. And finally, real community building will connect all the disconnected parts of Clarksburg with the walkable, bikeable greenways and paths that were originally promised.

Please do the right thing for the people and environment, not the developers.

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Ms. Carrier -

I'm writing you to comment on the forthcoming Planning Board decision(s) about the Master Plan Amendment for Clarksburg.

I am a resident of Boyds and work in Germantown. I go through Clarksburg to my religious congregation or for personal reasons at least once a week.

We use well water at our home, and it's very important to me that you protect our groundwater, which to me means minimizing the impact on Ten Mile Creek and on the Reservoir.

It's also important to focus on the Clarksburg town center, where they need real stores and real services.

Finally, it's important not to approve an outlet mall. Nobody needs an outlet mall: it's the kind of place one goes two or three times a year, not a place for everyday needs. The jobs it creates will be low-end retail jobs with limited future, and the traffic it creates will be a mess.

Thank you for considering my views.

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**Subject:** Please Save Clarksburg and the Surrounding Areas!

Dear Ms. Carrier:

Please provide those of us living in Clarksburg with a sustainable development plan for the future, and ensure previous community development promises are kept.

We want and need the walkable town center that was promised to us years ago. A walkable town center will bring the community together, help eliminate pollution from cars, and will be more beneficial to Clarksburg and the surrounding areas than a new outlet center. (There is already an outlet center in Hagerstown, why do we need another one here?) A new outlet center will also increase congestion on 355 which has been problematic for years, and now with the Arora Hills development and the new Goddard School, necessary travel will be a nightmare.

Please also spare Ten Mile Creek and the reservoir. This is the last semi-clean area of water in the area and is already facing environmental problems. We live on Newcut Road and can already see changes to the creek, the creek beds, and the our land, from developmental damage. Erosion has increased dramatically, Newcut Road by the bridge is constantly filled with water (even before the recent construction began), and the creek itself appears stagnant in several areas.

Thanks to the Staff Report for recommending reduced development on the west side of 270. Please work to adopt this plan or make it even more stringent. My husband and I moved to Clarksburg 11 years ago to enjoy the promises of a planned and responsible use of land for retain and development, larger yard lots, green spaces, and biking/jogging trails. We have been disappointed in decisions made every step of the way for the last few years and implore you to save what can be saved at this point.

Thank you for your time and efforts on behalf of the communities of Clarksburg.

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Protections of stream health recommended for 10 Mile Creek.

I am a member of the Muddy Branch Alliance, an organization that is involved in local stream health activities in a stream with headwaters in Gaithersburg, not far south from 10 Mile Creek. In 2008 the County rated the lower mainstem of the Muddy Branch as "Good". It was also in 2008 that the protections of good environmental site design were being implemented for new development. Our stream health since that time has declined not just one step to "Fair", but to the lowest level possible, of "Poor", in the latest data put out by the Department of Natural Resources. In this short time, our local water quality has fallen significantly. We can only attribute this to the development pressure in our local watershed.

In the near future we will face even more development: Housing units proposed/planned and being built: 2,250 on Crown Farm, 370 on Danac property, corner of Great Seneca and Key West, 700 the former BNA property on Key West Ave, 350 on the Rickman property on Travilah Road, 2,000 on the Public Services Training Academy property (fire tower area), 400 around the corner from BNA on Omega. Number of drivers =  $6170 \times 1.5 = 9,255$  cars. Add the proposed 4.6 million sq ft of development on Belward Farm = 15,000 workers. The Belward Farm development will have parking for over 12,000 cars. Add that to the above = total new cars for these development projects = 21,255 cars.

If the County's plan is to build out areas like our Muddy Branch watershed, what is the plan to mediate the damage? How much money is going to be put into the various impacted watersheds around of the county? We ask the question, why hasn't environmental site design, required for new development, protected the stream health? Answer: ESD is not able to adequately protect our streams on its own, since ESD is about stormwater management, and has many limitations, whereas sound land use planning is proven to protect fragile high quality streams and drinking water sources

My request to the Planning Board. Keep the same degradation from happening to 10-mile Creek. Protect our remaining high quality waters. Present plans to council that provide options for protection, not just options for increased development.

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President, Muddy Branch Alliance

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Dear Chairman Carrier and Planning Board Members,

I am writing to urge you to consider the following in your decision making process on the changes to the Clarksburg Master Plan.

Developing the Town Center and protecting the integrity of Ten Mile Creek should be the two centerpieces of any changes.

Development of regional malls on Route 355 will take attention from the Town Center. The traffic alone will add to the already congested Route 355 for all local residents of Clarksburg. Keep the emphasis on completion of the promises made in the 90's for a real, walkable Clarksburg with a vibrant town center. Put your energy behind transit opportunities for the existing Clarksburg residents rather than bringing more traffic to a congested, dangerous area. Help the home owners of Clarksburg to not lose any more value in their Clarksburg homes because of unfulfilled promises.

The mall and projected development on top of the headwaters of Ten Mile Creek will ruin the only excellent creek left in Montgomery County. Surely one of the most progressive counties in the country can save the most important back up clean water source for the whole region. We brag about being such a Green County. If we sell out the only excellent creek left in the county and possibly the state, for the price of a mall and two hundred houses we can't be very proud of our environmental record. Ten Mile Creek is the only creek left that supports all the wildlife possible in terms of micro-organism and invertebrates that live in a healthy stream bed. I urge you to make the Staff recommendations even tougher by making the cap on impervious surfaces be 4 percent as recommended by scientist. Pulte has a very bad environmental record. Please do not trust them with the future of Ten Mile Creek and the future of the sole source aquifer.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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Stage 4 should not be approved until the Town Center is built and environmentally sound development is projected.

Why are the developers getting so much approval for plans that will obviously endanger local water sources, make the traffic situation worse, destroy so much beautiful land, and provide what citizens don't want? Plus they have shown they do not follow through with issues they don't want to deal with, short cut when they can, and cause problems that often are not repairable.

A town center is needed – as promised in the past developments. It should be easily and safely walkable from the houses that are already there; new houses should also have walkable access.

Ten Mile Creek is a valuable water source that should not be jeopardized by overdevelopment, poorly designed water treatment, and excess run off from too much pavement. When building, only PROVEN storm water management and water treatment plants should be used.

There should not be an outlet mall. An outlet mall requires so much pavement, resulting in massive water runoff. Plus our roads are not built to handle the amount of traffic that uses these malls. Nor will this provide needed jobs that support families for people living here. I have not seen any benefit of having an outlet mall in this area.

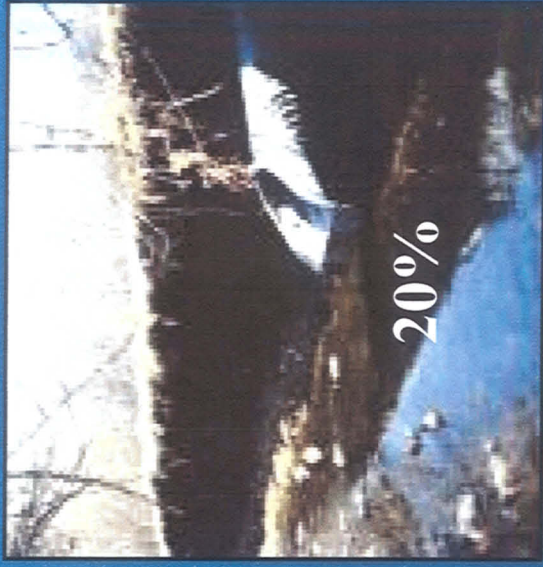
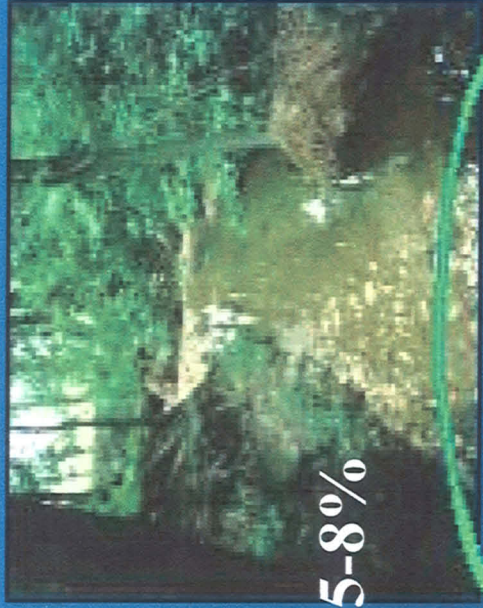
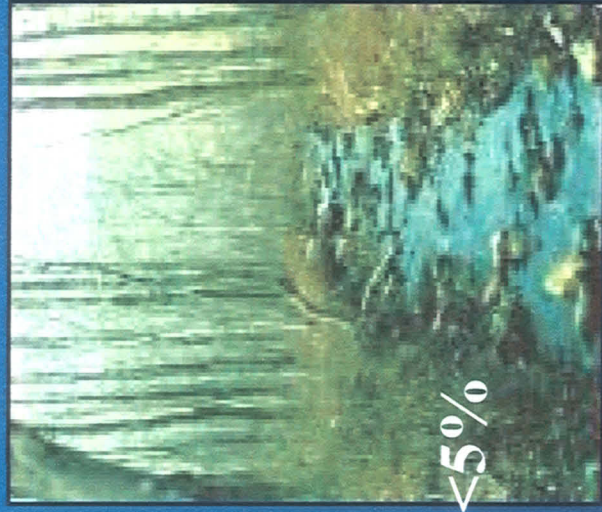
With all of the talk of development, a very integral piece of the puzzle is being left out – transportation. How are people going to get to their jobs – which don't look like they will be in the Clarksburg area, working at an outlet mall does not support a family? Will the backups on 270 and 355 go all of the way to Frederick before something is done? Then it will take years to rebuild the roads causing more traffic issues.

I grew up on West Harris Road in Barnesville, which is where I live now – my parents built this house in 1959. I have watched the sprawl move toward my house and always hoped it could be controlled. It isn't. Developers have a way of doing what they want to do, leaving the citizens with little choice except paying more for living in the area – financially and mentally (such as sitting in traffic is very stressful, as is losing green canopies of old trees).

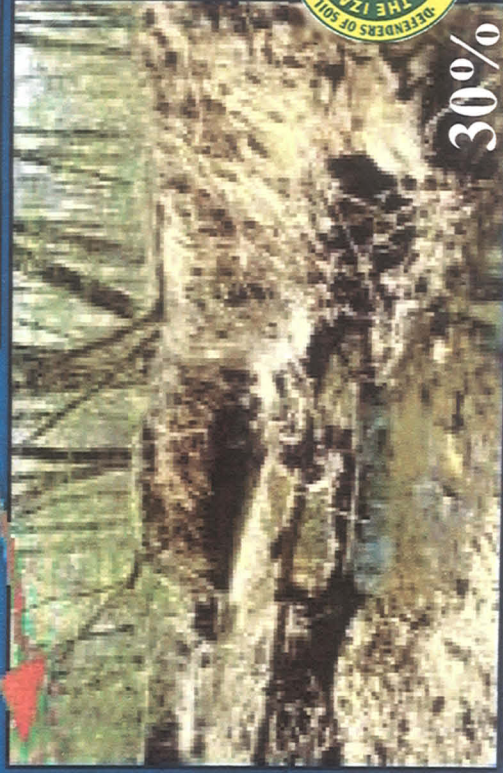
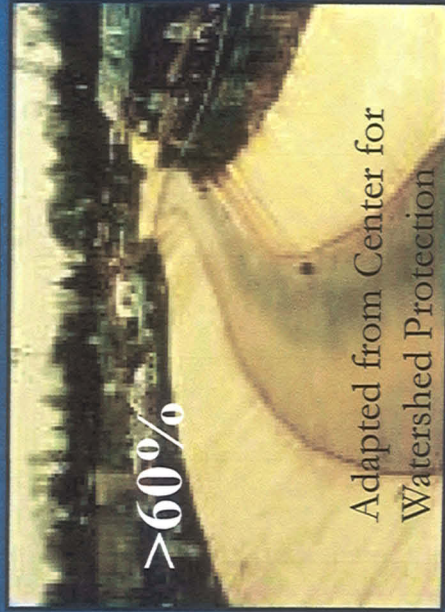
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# High Percentages of Hard Surfaces in Watersheds Damage Streams



Hard Surfaces





1994 Clarksburg amendment Testimony of Ann Smith September 10, 2013 for  
Planning Board Concerning Ten Mile Creek - September 10, 2013

Ann Smith, President of Seneca Creek Watershed Partners

“Planning Board Action” means a final decision of this preliminary plan.

Preserving Resources is what preserves a community. Seneca Creek Watershed Partners would like to preserve ten mile creek. Protect, conserve, safeguard, defend, safe, care for, and maintain.

As the largest clean source of drinking water for Montgomery County and D.C, we believe these headwaters should be preserved at a 7% or less imperviousness in order to maintain its current rating. Ten Mile Creek is a source stream for Seneca Creek.

The rating for the streams have to pass a rigorous quality control procedure by the state to give it a proper tier designation. Please see the letters submitted today concerning this; The 2013 Triennial review of water quality standards is giving advanced notice of proposed rule-making. They are accepting new and proposed revised regulations by the Fall of 2013. Stakeholders are encouraged to input information to designated use of a water body, criteria that support that designated use and ant degradation policy. Seneca Creek Watershed Partners supports the added input of county and private data toward the determination of stream rating. Save Ten Mile Creek Coalition supports the scientific evidence that is proven, and not speculative science. I thank you for reviewing all the data associated with the watershed called Ten Mile Creek, which is a source stream for Seneca Creek.

Your decision tonight will go to the county council. The Council exercises oversight over County departments and their programs.

ADVANCE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING (ANPRM) – 2013 TRIENNIAL REVIEW OF WATER  
QUALITY STANDARDS

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Click here for the ANPRM document - [ANPRM](#)

This document is also published in the May 31, 2013 edition of the [Maryland Register](#)

Comments on this proposal and on additional issues **specific to** Maryland's water quality standards and this Triennial Review should be submitted to John Backus at [atjbackus@mde.state.md.us](mailto:atjbackus@mde.state.md.us) or to the following address:

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Science Services Administration  
1800 Washington Blvd  
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John Backus  
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MD Department of the Environment  
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## Special Documents

### DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT

#### ADVANCE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING (ANPRM) — 2013 TRIENNIAL REVIEW OF WATER QUALITY STANDARDS

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#### **Schedule**

Depending on the comments received in response to this notice, MDE plans to formally propose new and revised regulations by fall of 2013, and submit a final notice on these regulations by the end of the year.

#### **PROPOSED WATER QUALITY STANDARDS AMENDMENTS**

##### **DESIGNATED USES**

During the current review of Maryland's water quality standards, careful consideration has been given to ensure waterbodies have appropriate designated uses assigned to them and that the meaning of those uses is clear. Maryland currently assigns a "Designated Use" to each waterbody. For example, a waterbody may be given the designated use "Use I-P - Water Contact Recreation, and Protection of Nontidal Warmwater Aquatic Life, and Public Water Supply". This description gives the overall goal of the waterbody but does not provide, in detail, all of the specific designated uses such as agricultural water supply, industrial water supply, fishing, etc. The name "Use I-P" is more accurately, a group or class of designated uses. Therefore, in the interest of consistency and clarity, MDE is proposing to rename "Use" to "Class". For example, Use I-P will become Class I-P.

##### **DEFINITIONS**

Proposed definition for "Class" - "Class" means the combination of waterbody type (e.g. non-tidal) and designated uses given to each waterbody.

##### **STREAM SEGMENT DESIGNATIONS**

###### **Designated Use Changes**

MDE has biological and temperature data identifying certain waterbodies whose designated use (class) may not be accurately captured. Certain waterbodies that are currently designated as warmwater (Use I) or recreational trout waters (Use IV) maintain either a coldwater regime or have coldwater obligate species, including trout, which are indicative of a natural coldwater environment. The CWA requires that the waterbody's existing use be protected through appropriate designation. Table 1 shows those waterbodies for which MDE has data to support redesignation (reclassification).

See Table 1 - Proposed Redesignations to Use III and III-P Class waters.

###### **Stream Segment Coordinates**

Regulation .08 (Stream Segment Designations) includes geographical coordinates as well as narrative language describing and defining the extent of each waterbody and where the specific designated uses apply. In a few cases, the narrative descriptions or coordinates describing a waterbody location need to be corrected and/or improved. In addition, multiple geographical coordinate systems are being used in this regulation. MDE plans to standardize the coordinate system and use only latitude and longitude in decimal degree format.

**WATER QUALITY CRITERIA****Toxic Substances**

MDE is proposing amendments and additions to the toxic substance criteria found in COMAR 26.08.02.03-2. These include an update to the Selenium criteria (a formula), the addition of new criteria for the pesticides Carbaryl and Diazinon and the organic compound nonylphenol. These new and revised criteria reflect updates to EPA's National Recommended Water Quality Criteria. In addition, a correction to the criteria for alpha-BHC is necessary. The criteria currently are published incorrectly in COMAR. The criteria should apply only to human health.

**Acute Selenium Criterion Amendment:**

$$\frac{1}{\frac{f_1}{185.9\mu\text{g/l}} + \frac{f_2}{12.82\mu\text{g/l}}}$$

Where  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are the fractions of total selenium that are treated as selenite and selenate, respectively.

**Ammonia Criteria**

Formulas for the acute and chronic criteria for ammonia, found in the footnotes for their respective tables, were found to have errors - likely a result of transcribing and formatting into COMAR. MDE will propose corrections and formatting changes to these formulas, which are used to calculate specific criteria based on the resources present.

**Ammonia Criteria Corrections**

The acute water quality criteria for total ammonia where salmonids may be present were calculated using the following equation, which may also be used to calculate unlisted values: Acute water quality criteria for ammonia (salmonids present):

$$= \frac{0.275}{1 + 10^{7.204 - \text{pH}}} + \frac{39.0}{1 + 10^{\text{pH} - 7.204}}$$

The acute water quality criteria for total ammonia where salmonids are absent were calculated using the following equation, which may also be used to calculate unlisted values: Acute water quality criteria for ammonia (salmonids absent):

$$= \frac{0.411}{1 + 10^{7.204 - \text{pH}}} + \frac{58.4}{1 + 10^{\text{pH} - 7.204}}$$

The freshwater chronic water quality criteria for total ammonia where fish early life stages may be present were calculated using the following equation, which may also be used to calculate unlisted values:

Freshwater chronic water quality criterion for ammonia (fish early life stages present):

$$= \left( \frac{0.0577}{1 + 10^{7.688 - \text{pH}}} + \frac{2.487}{1 + 10^{\text{pH} - 7.688}} \right) \times \text{MIN}(2.85, 1.45 \times 10^{0.028 \times (25 - T)})$$

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**Color**

The current water quality criterion for color applies to all waters except those designated as Use I-P. When this criterion was initially adopted, it should have applied to all waters. However, Use I-P waters were inadvertently excluded. This correction will be proposed.

**Restoration Variances**

"Restoration Variance", as defined in COMAR 26.08.01.01 "means a temporary exception to the water quality standards allowing nonattainment of designated uses granted in situations where no enforcement action will be taken if the nonattainment is due to the existence of one or more of the justifications in 40 CFR §131.10(g). Restoration variances will be reviewed every 3 years at a minimum as required by the Clean Water Act and EPA regulations."

The following Chesapeake Bay Segments have been assigned restoration variances:

- Chesapeake Bay Mainstem Segment 4 mesohaline (CB4MH)
- Patapsco River mesohaline (PATMH)
- Lower Chester River Mesohaline (CHSMH)
- Eastern Bay Mesohaline (EASMH)

COMAR 26.08.02.02 C.(8)(h) further explains, "The percentage of allowable exceedance for restoration variances is based on water quality modeling and incorporates the best available data and assumptions. The restoration variances are temporary, and will be reviewed at a minimum every three years, as required by the Clean Water Act and EPA regulations. The variances may be modified based on new data or assumptions incorporated into the water quality model."

A combination of the Chesapeake Bay observed Water Quality data and the Chesapeake Bay Modeling framework is used to support the development of Maryland's Chesapeake Bay water quality standards (i.e. those standards associated with Use II waters), criteria, TMDL, and Watershed Implementation Plan. Since the development of the Bay TMDL (2010), and subsequent Phase I (2010) and Phase II (2012) Watershed Implementation Plans, the existing data and modeling tools continue to confirm the same water quality variances that are adopted into Maryland's water quality standards. Therefore, amendments to the restoration variances are not warranted at this time.

#### ANTIDegradation

Based on recent biological monitoring information, eight high quality (Tier II) waters will be added to the current list of 236 high quality waters. See Table 2. Proposed additions to list of Tier II Waters

#### FUTURE WATER QUALITY STANDARDS

##### Chloride Criterion for Maryland Surface Water

The State of Maryland currently does not have numeric criteria for chloride. The United States Environmental Protection Agency published recommended numeric criteria for chloride ion in 1988. Updated numeric criteria (based on expanded toxicity information and relationships between chloride toxicity and other water quality parameters) have been adopted by other states. Currently, there is a need for Maryland to adopt numeric chloride criteria to aid in TMDL development and distinguish impaired waters from non-impaired waters. As a first step, MDE has developed a draft numeric acute chloride criterion that is based on the updated numeric criteria. The criterion is 1) recalculated to exclude toxicity values derived using taxa that inhabit brackish water; 2) modified to incorporate ionic matrix of Maryland streams; and 3) re-derived the equation using only calcium ion (not hardness or sulfate) as the primary ameliorating factor. This criterion may be ready for proposal during the current Triennial Review. If so, all associated technical and data reports will be made available to the public and interested stakeholders.

**TABLE 1 -STREAM SEGMENT DESIGNATIONS**

Proposed redesignations to Use III and III-P Class waters.

COMAR Description	Current Use (Class)	Proposed Use (Class)	COMAR Limits	LAT	LONG
Shade Run and all tributaries	I	III		39.684455	-79.164149
Spiker Run and all tributaries	I	III		39.680001	-79.169868
North Branch Casselman River and all tributaries	I	III		39.668538	-79.177741
Puzzley Run and all tributaries	I	III		39.721853	-79.232254
Unnamed tributary to the Casselman River and all tributaries to this unnamed tributary	I	III	Headwaters begin near intersection of Route 40 and Chestnut Ridge Road	39.709365	-79.117389
Mill Run and all tributaries	I-P	III-P	Upstream from Route 220 McMullen Highway	39.533653	-78.886174
Piney Creek and all tributaries	I-P	III-P	Upstream from Frostburg Watershed boundary	39.721323	-78.960085
North Branch Potomac River	I-P	III-P	Mainstem only, From Jennings Randolph Dam downstream to confluence with Laurel Run near Bloomington	39.474259	-79.105488
Wet Stone Branch and all tributaries	IV-P	III-P		39.647146	-76.431712
Unnamed tributary to Deer Creek and all tributaries to this unnamed tributary	IV-P	III-P	Near Rock Ridge Road	39.637940	-76.424561
Little Deer Creek and all tributaries	IV-P	III-P		39.660788	-76.439732
Elbow Branch and all tributaries	IV-P	III-P		39.618468	-76.169240
Unnamed tributary to the South Branch Patapsco River at Marriottsville and all tributaries to this unnamed tributary	I	III		39.351956	-76.898985
Cowen Run and all tributaries	I	III		39.430809	-76.522574
Piney Branch and all tributaries	I	III		39.357049	-76.996543
Lanes Run and all tributaries	IV-P	III-P	Upstream of confluence with Indian Springs Run	39.666906	-77.994074
White Sulfur Run and all tributaries	IV-P	III-P		39.660897	-78.458186
Fifteenmile Creek and all tributaries	IV-P	III-P	Upstream of the intersection of Fifteenmile Creek Road and Route 40	39.682419	-78.457543
Terrapin Run and all tributaries	IV-P	III-P	Upstream from Route 68	39.668854	-78.433389

April 15, 2013

Seneca Creek Watershed Partners  
10760 Wayridge Drive  
Gaithersburg, Md. 20886

Dear D. Lee Currey, Director, Science Services Administration

*I am writing in response to your Administration's request for data for stream health. But first I must congratulate you on your promotion as Director, Science Services Administration for the Maryland Department of the Environment. We look forward to working with you in the future to support science based measures of local waters.*

*I have a deep desire to see that subwatersheds in Montgomery County are recognized as Tier II. Our watershed group, the Seneca Creek Watershed Partners, has been working with the county to understand the relative health of the streams in Seneca Creek. This is the largest watershed entirely in the county. The health is based on data collected by Keith Van Ness. I have a great admiration for his work. We also work on monitoring our watershed with DNR's Stream Waders program. In addition Audubon is monitoring many of our streams. There is a lot of data that indicates we have stream segments that are high quality. The reason that I writing is that I am concerned by the lack of the State's acknowledgement of the county's smaller sections of the watershed.*

*Water quality data collected for the County, over the past 10 years should be counted. We understand the county has been providing the data to Maryland Department of the Environment. However, it does not appear to be accepted. I am asking that the data collected be considered for 2014. I am not alone. Our County Executive, Mr. Isaiah Leggett was asked by his Water Quality Advisory Group (WQAG) in November of 2012 to insist that his Department of Environmental Protection work with your organization to identify our remaining high quality streams.*

*[http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/content/dep/downloads/wqag/Tier\\_2\\_Letter\\_Executive.pdf](http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/content/dep/downloads/wqag/Tier_2_Letter_Executive.pdf)*

*The Executive's quick response indicated his support for this initiative.*

*<http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/content/dep/downloads/wqag/ExecutiveResponseTier2ltr.pdf>*

*If Tier II streams require additional regulatory protection, as Isaiah Leggett stated, then the combined scientific evidence to back it up is invaluable. This Scientific evidence is based on biological data.*

*Invertebrate testing is accurate and consistent. BMI, or Benthic (bottom-dwelling aquatic organisms) Macro (visible to the naked eye) Invertebrates (organisms without backbones) can tell us a lot about stream health. Biological assessment of BMI can detect overall changes in water quality over time.*

*The goal of the Seneca Creek Watershed Partners is to preserve the streams and open spaces that make up the Seneca Creek watershed for the use and health of future generations, and to improve the health of Seneca Creek and its tributaries. Our goals are very similar to yours. "MDE's mission is to protect and restore the quality of Maryland's air, water, and land resources, while fostering smart growth, a thriving and sustainable economy and healthy communities."*

*As the president of Seneca Creek Watershed Partners, it is important to me that science is used to identify Tier II streams, and then that protecting them is a top priority for the state. We ask that the county data be included, and that it be used to identify the sub-watersheds within the county that remain as high quality. We ask this in order to set up proper protections, such as environmental site design, stream buffers, pre/post monitoring and special permits that allow streams to remain clean. With the immense desire to develop land, it is critical that we understand where extra protection is worth the extra cost and attention.*

*Sincerely,*

*Ann Smith,*

*President*

*Seneca Creek Watershed Partners*

*Cc: Patuxent River Keeper, Potomac River Keeper, Audubon Naturalist, Montgomery County DEP*





# MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT

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May 9, 2013

Ms. Ann Smith  
Seneca Creek Watershed Partners  
10760 Wayridge Drive  
Gaithersburg, MD 20886

RE: Request to use non-state data for Tier II water designation

Dear Ms. Smith:

Thank you for your correspondence that demonstrates your interest in protecting high quality waters in Maryland. As you mentioned in your letter, it is our shared goal to protect and restore the quality of Maryland's air, water, and land resources. Regarding water protection, the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) has, to date, identified approximately 230 Tier II or high quality stream segments throughout the state. Our agency strives to maintain these high quality waters in their current condition to avoid impairment listings and the need to develop a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL).

Maryland designates its Tier II waters on the basis of both benthic macroinvertebrate and fish information collected by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources and the Maryland Department of the Environment. Using these two pieces of information, fish and benthos, indices of biotic integrity are calculated using the established Maryland Biological Stream Survey (MBSS) methodology. If both of these indices (fish and benthic) score at or above 4.00 (based on a scale of 1 to 5), the Department will designate the stream as Tier II. Once a stream segment is designated as Tier II, all stream segments located upstream from the monitoring site will then receive additional protection when a new or expanded discharge is proposed.<sup>1</sup>

In your letter you request that additional streams in Montgomery County be recognized as Tier II and for the Department to utilize non-state datasets for this purpose. The Department is currently evaluating the best approach for including other datasets in the Tier II analysis with the goal of maintaining specific data quality objectives that supports regulatory decision making. For example, for Tier II stream determinations, the Department requires both fish and benthic IBI scores calculated in a manner that is directly comparable to the MBSS scores. As a result, before the Department can use the datasets you referenced for Tier II designation or other regulatory purposes, a comprehensive data review process must be completed. This data review process consists of an evaluation of quality assurance and quality control protocols as well as any Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) documentation that may be available.

<sup>1</sup> More detailed information on Tier II waters can be found at:

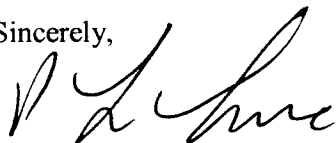
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Ms. Ann Smith  
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As you know, our assessment program, which develops the list of impaired waters or Integrated Report (IR), is currently conducting a data solicitation process, compiling water quality data from around the state from both government and non-government organizations. Montgomery County has submitted its biological stream data and our assessment program will be reviewing this data in preparation of the 2014 IR.<sup>2</sup> As part of this process, my staff and I are committed to evaluating this dataset not only for use in the 2014 IR, but also for its suitability for Tier II high quality waters designations. The Department values the abundance of information collected by local jurisdictions and will consider all available data that meets quality assurance and quality control standards in order to carry out its mission to protect our aquatic resources.

Thank you again for your interest in high quality waters. If you have additional questions regarding Tier II waters, please contact Angel Valdez at 410-537-3606 or by e-mail at [avaldez@mde.state.md.us](mailto:avaldez@mde.state.md.us).

Sincerely,



D. Lee Currey, Director  
Science Services Administration

cc: Angel Valdez, Science Services Administration

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<sup>2</sup> To learn more about the Integrated Report you can visit our website at:

<http://www.mde.state.md.us/programs/Water/TMDL/Integrated303dReports/Pages/Programs/WaterPrograms/TMDL/Maryland%20303%20dlist/index.aspx>

## Murph, Alexanderia

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**Subject:** FW: Clarksburg amendment

Please see below comments on the Clarksburg master plan from Royce.

Françoise M. Carrier  
Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board and  
Vice-Chair, Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission  
Phone 301-495-4605

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**From:** Royce Hanson [<mailto:roycehanson@comcast.net>]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2013 1:29 PM  
**To:** Carrier, Francoise  
**Subject:** Clarksburg amendment

Dear Francoise & Board Members,

I write with reluctance on the Clarksburg amendment. I appreciate as few can the complications of the matter before you, but hope that I can offer a perspective from one that has walked in your shoes. You undoubtedly heard much cogent testimony on the facts and the issues they raise. I will not recite them here but turn instead to more fundamental considerations.

The Clarksburg amendment is one of those rare occasions when you are called upon to make a legacy decision--one that will characterize your reputations as trustees of the future of the county. There have been only a few of these occasions in the long history of the Planning Board. They include adoption of the General Plan; creation of the stream valley park system; decisions about the future of strategic activity centers such as Bethesda, Silver Spring, and White Flint; creation of the Agricultural Reserve; establishment of Little Seneca Lake as a regional emergency water supply reservoir; and modernization of the zoning code.

You will decide if you will be known as the board that defiled that last clean watershed in the county for development of no lasting significance and certain harm, or as stewards of the land and a resource that your predecessors established and have protected for a generation at no little cost to the taxpayers of the county.

Yours is a more important decision than those I mentioned above because the nature of it places you in a different moral position than the normal planning or development decision that comes before you. In most cases, you are simply making a decision about the regulation of private property and its impact on others. Here you are the guardians of the property most affected by your decision; property the commission bought and manages with public funds; property you hold *in trust* for the benefit of the public. The concept of public trust is as old as the Roman Republic and deeply imbedded in the common law. It holds that each generation has a duty to pass on to those that follow the common resources of the public in shape as good as it received them.

In the future scheme of things, it matters little whether there are 1000 houses more or less in Clarksburg, or several hundreds of thousands of square feet of other stuff. It matters greatly where they are put and how it affects the future of the place and the critical resources of the watershed and lake. It matters whether the Planning Board abandons the people of Clarksburg Town Center and makes it even harder and longer than it has been thus far to complete its market and civic core.

I urge you, therefore, to beware of excuses for actions that seem to satisfy or pacify today's competing voices and reach for solid scientific and moral justifications for actions that address the future of place and region. What else is a planning board for?

Respectfully,

Royce

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Dear Chair Carrier,

Please also share the attached with the Commissioners.

Best,  
Caren Madsen

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If you don't set a baseline standard for what you'll accept in life,  
you'll find it's easy to slip into behaviors and attitudes or a quality  
of life that's far below what you deserve.

- Anthony Robbins

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September 1, 2013

Francoise Carrier, Chair  
Montgomery County Planning Commission  
8787 Georgia Avenue  
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Dear Chair Carrier and Planning Commissioners:

I am writing to ask that you vote to have the July 18th staff report revised to reflect recommendations that will result in no additional development in the Stage IV plans for Ten Mile Creek in Clarksburg.

I first became active in county issues just before the time of the Clarksburg building violations scandal in 2005-06. After these many years, it is unacceptable that residents of Clarksburg have never seen the completion of the Clarksburg Town Center, yet there we are reviewing the Stage IV plan based on speculative information for large-scale development proposed by the Pulte and Peterson Companies. In your capacity, you have the dual responsibilities of environmental stewardship and also in seeing that plans are not abandoned when a commitment of a livable, walkable community -- where residents can go to the library, a community center, etc. and do business -- have been made. Why not give current residents of Clarksburg what they deserve and were promised with the Clarksburg Town Center before pursuing additional large-scale retail or residential development there?

The July Planning staff report takes a bold step in recommendations to scale back the Pulte project but it will not save Ten Mile Creek from long-term degradation. At a time when water supply and water resource management is imperative on not just a regional scale -- but a national scale as well -- there is no reasonable course of action except that of preventing any degradation of what is widely recognized as an emergency backup drinking water supply for the region. We are all aware of how communities are imperiled by the ongoing impacts of climate change. Montgomery County is no exception to the threats of drought, flooding and the role that deforestation (such as what would occur with the Pulte and Peterson development proposals) plays in mitigating climate change impacts.

The U.S. Conference of Mayors (USCM) Urban Water Council, an authoritative source on municipal and regional drinking water supply and protection, noted in a recent report that, "U.S. cities in the 1900s experienced growth in population density and variety of land use activities. Medical practitioners and social reformers attributed poor sanitation, contaminated water and foul air, poor nutrition and lack of access to medical care in urban areas to increased incidence of disease and premature death." This situation was dubbed the "urban penalty" in the USCM report. The report goes on to address what is needed to maintain essential protection of drinking water. Protection of drinking water supply is a high priority at the national level and will remain so for decades to come. So one must ask why Montgomery County, as a progressive county, would possibly jeopardize a backup source of drinking water.

Montgomery County cannot afford an "urban penalty" brought about by overdevelopment near Ten Mile Creek as an environmentally sensitive area. Please consider that the preservation of Ten Mile Creek as a pristine water source is not just an environmental decision. Nor is it a matter of weighing economic gains against natural resource conservation. This is a moral decision. And I ask that you take your stewardship role as the Planning Board seriously. If Ten Mile Creek is degraded at any level at all, there will be no turning back.

Let's also consider the pressure on the Down County with infill development and dense building around urban transit centers. Planners and developers continue to pursue dense transit-oriented development in the Down County under the concept of "smart growth" which was originally intended to prevent sprawl development and protect more of the rural Up County areas. Our streams and creeks in the Down County such as Sligo Creek and Long Branch have been ruined by overdevelopment. Yet we are looking at proposals for massive sprawl development in rural Up County areas like Clarksburg. It doesn't make sense to stress both the urban and rural county environment.

Please put the brakes on the Pulte and Peterson plans once and for all. There is far too much at stake if these speculative plans are ever completed. And there are times when making the right decision for the protection of natural resources trumps economic development. This is one of those times. In considering the future of Ten Mile Creek, I ask you to make the right decision for the benefit of the public good.

Sincerely,

*Caren Madsen*

[CarenMadsen@msn.com](mailto:CarenMadsen@msn.com)

Cc: Gwen Wright, Montgomery County Planning Director  
Save Ten Mile Creek Coalition

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**From:** Janet Stotsky <jgstotsky@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 01, 2013 8:54 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten-Mile Creek

Dear Chair,

I hope you will listen to the voices asking you to preserve the health of Ten-Mile Creek by concentrating development in Clarksburg that are already built up and not extending development to areas that are essential to the watershed to absorb pollutant run-off.

Sincerely,

Janet Stotsky  
4956 Sentinel Drive  
Bethesda, MD 20816  
301 229-2930



## **MCP-CTRACK**

**From:** dunnz@starpower.net  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 28, 2013 3:49 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Saving Ten Mile Creek

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August 27, 2013

Chair Francoise Carrier  
Montgomery County Planning Board

Dear Chair Carrier,

Ten Mile Creek is a crucial part of the drinking water supply for three million people in the Greater Washington Region.

Development plans now being considered by the Planning Board would add more than 100 acres of hard impervious surfaces to this fragile watershed.

In the Summer 2013 issue of "Save the Bay," the magazine of the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, page 9, the article states that:

"Limiting new polluted runoff from sprawling growth in Maryland's rural areas is critical. The state already has some of the toughest rules in the country for minimizing stormwater from new development. The state also is considering requiring builders to offset what pollution they do add to local streams by reducing pollution elsewhere.

But upgrading stormwater management systems at existing housing and commercial developments is equally important. Older development projects, in fact, have little or no systems at all.

Maryland's more populated counties and municipalities already are required by federal Clean Water Act permits to do some of those upgrades, and the state is now requiring the permits to hold the jurisdictions to lower pollution limits. But the work is expensive.

For the past few years the state has given tens of millions of dollars to local governments to do the work. In 2012 the legislature also required the state's nine most populated counties and Baltimore City to help invest in pollution reduction by raising some level of dedicated fee."

I am asking you to put the right kind of development where it's needed in Clarksburg Town Center, not in Ten Mile Creek where development would degrade water quality and destroy the habitat.

Please ensure full protection of Ten Mile Creek, as you and your staff devise the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek. Think in terms of the future, and a green future, please!!!!

Sincerely,

Susan Z. Dunnell  
11215 Dewey Road  
Kensington, MD 20895

**MCP-CTRACK**

**From:** Natalie Dickter <natalie\_dickter@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 28, 2013 5:13 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Please protect Ten Mile Creek

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Dear Chair Carrier,

I respectfully ask that you and the Planning Board protect Ten Mile Creek, which, as you know, provides drinking water to 3,000,000 people in Greater Washington.

It appears to me that the Planning Board has approached this issue with the intent to "make it work" for the developers, rather than first coming to the issue from the perspective of best serving the quality of life of the citizens of Montgomery County. The development plans now being considered by the Planning Board would add more than 100 acres of hard, impervious surfaces to a very fragile watershed.

Please put the appropriate kind of development (including transit) in Clarksburg Town Center, not in Ten Mile Creek, where development would degrade water quality. Please ensure full protection of Ten Mile Creek, as you and your staff devise the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek.

Sincerely,

Natalie Dickter  
Silver Spring

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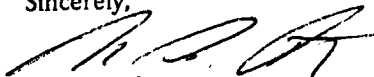
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Planning Board M-NCPPC 8787 Georgia Ave. Silver Spring, MD 20910

Dear Montgomery County Planning Board,

I am writing to address the future of 10 Mile Creek in Clarksburg Maryland. I have been deeply disappointed in the poor planning demonstrated by the continuing suburban sprawl permitted in the county over the past decade. I have lived in Montgomery County since 1991. I am a small business owner who owns a 9 acre property in Germantown. 10 Mile Creek is a natural resource that is being put at risk in the name of profit and monetary gain by the county and Pulte Homes. It is widely known that the human population of the US is using up ground water faster than it is replenished – and the county wide acceleration in high density development is only adding to the strain on our water sources. The failure of the board to recognize that the Clarksburg development was originally built on misleading conduct by builders appears to have provided no skepticism or insight on the part of the board into the propaganda provided by the developers. They have everything to gain from building a cheap community and walking away with no responsibility once the job is done and they have cashed out. There will be no recourse once all the vegetation has been stripped to build the "green community" that's promised and runoff pollutes a PRISTINE WATER SOURCE FOR 4 MILLION MONTGOMERY COUNTY RESIDENTS. There is scientific evidence that this is the future of 10 Mile Creek if the development project moves forward. The only agenda for this development plan is to make money, which is a short term goal for all involved – the county and the developers. Once 10 Mile Creek has been violated there will be no reversal of poor planning – and the developers will claim no responsibility, even though they are making every promise they can think of to get what they can out of the project. I am strongly apposed to development that would threaten 10 Mile Creek in any way.

Sincerely,



Renee Roth

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**MCP-CTRACK**

**From:** Ann Smith <smith@itecksolutions.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 28, 2013 9:57 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek as Headwaters to Seneca Creek -State-/Data  
**Attachments:** IBI.xlsx

Dear Montgomery Planning Board,

I have attached a simplified pie graphs of the State DNR stream data that came out for 2012. I simply went into the Montgomery County Data, pulled the 8 digit codes into excel, and made several graphs for you to see. The point is that Seneca Creek & Ten Mile Creek are relatively clean. There are many good studies that show sediment is filling in where development has increased, and that other stream factors are affecting the quality of our drinking water. I have attended most of the recent planning board meeting concerning ten mile creek, and I have listened to consultant assess the hydrological impacts of development.

There were several times before the ten mile creek coalition was begun, that board staff questioned basic data put before them concerning IBI scatter data, etc.,. I would like to ask all the board members to review some of that technical data, and to ask the experts what it means. I put these pie graphs together thinking that an easier way to see the IBI data could help; It is all Montgomery county, and some areas have fewer test sites than others. The 2013 data will not be available in until next year.

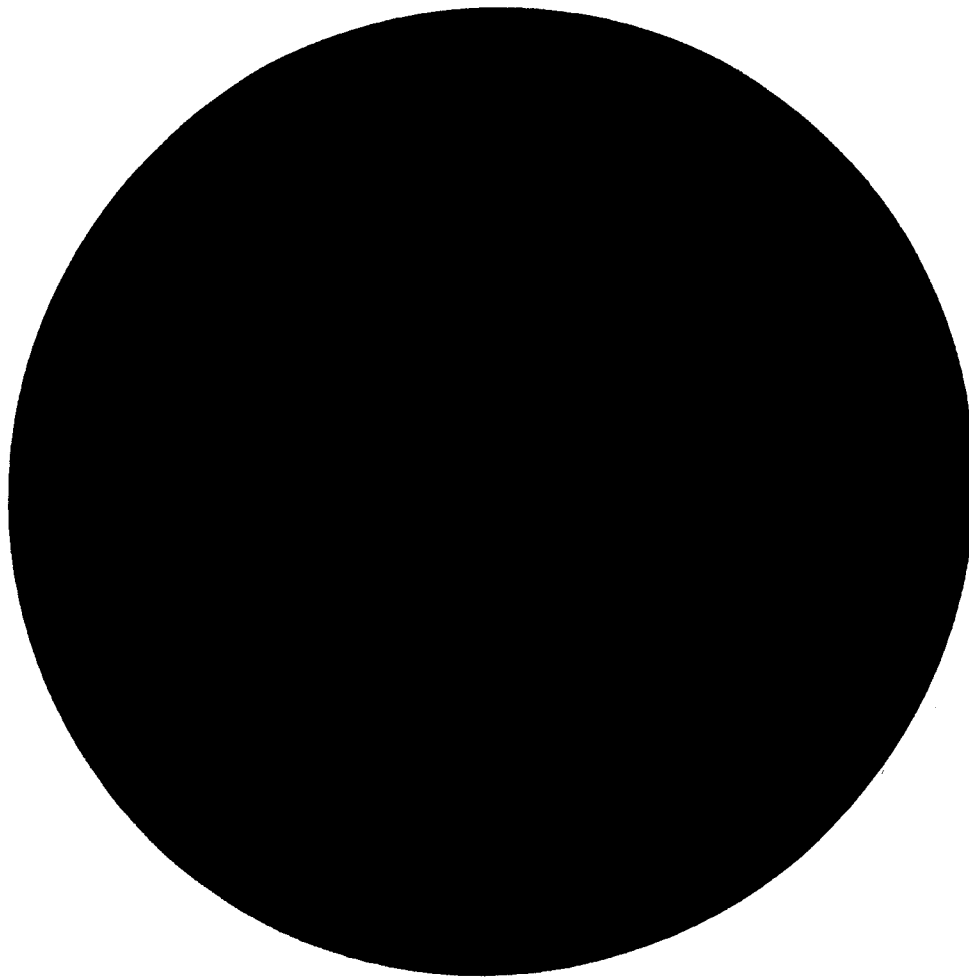
I really think the consultants you hired have done a good job, and I hope they continue to be funded to make Clarksburg a town of the next Century, and not the old. I also would like to see a more serious consideration to all the roads North of Shady Grove Road be improved in order to help residents of Clarksburg. I love the transit systems & wish there were something fast & new.

I went to the Public Hearing at Seneca Valley High School about the Alternates looked at by the Army. We don't always do what they recommend, and I hope we don't this time. It is a conquer & divide situation for those South of Clarksburg, and we know NIMBY's with the loudest voices are usually heard the most. I liked Alternate 2, although I would also like less impact versions at Brink, and Ridge Roads. I would not like Alternate 9. I think the County Government has gotten themselves in a pickle, and they are always looking for a cheaper way out; a bandaid- Why widen when they built Montgomery Village, or Germantown, or Clarksburg itself? That is what Alt. 9 is to me—a way to get less complaining, because the environment can't complain. Use parkland-which seems to belong to the MCDOT anyway, and find a quick fix for those developers who will be long gone in 15 years when Seneca fills in, and we have less water with more people & still don't have the infrastructure we need.

Please look at these pie graphs, and consider this and all the technical data more closely between now and September 10, 2013. I want to preserve ten mile creek by keeping impervious surfaces at or below 7%. It is the source water for Little Seneca Creek & our drinking water supply. If the Potomac were to be contaminated, this could really save us.

Sincerely,  
Ann Smith

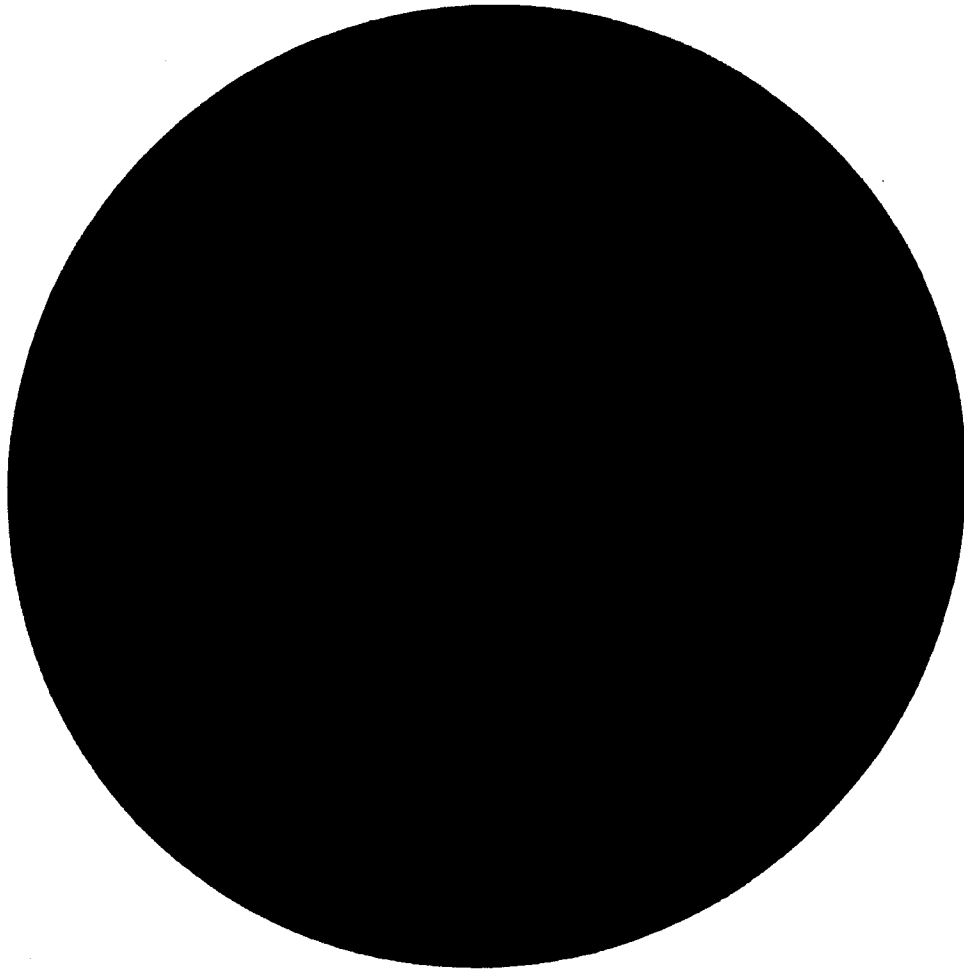
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- Good IBI
- Fair IBI
- Poor IBI
- N/A

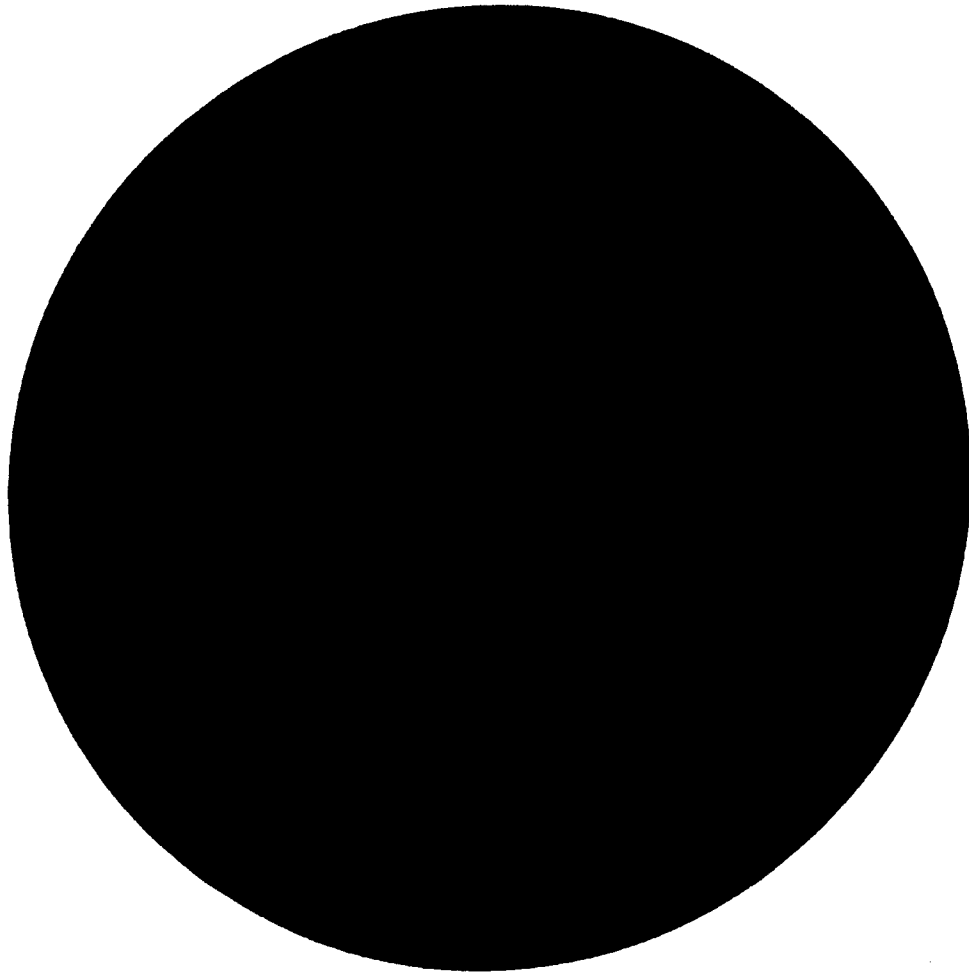
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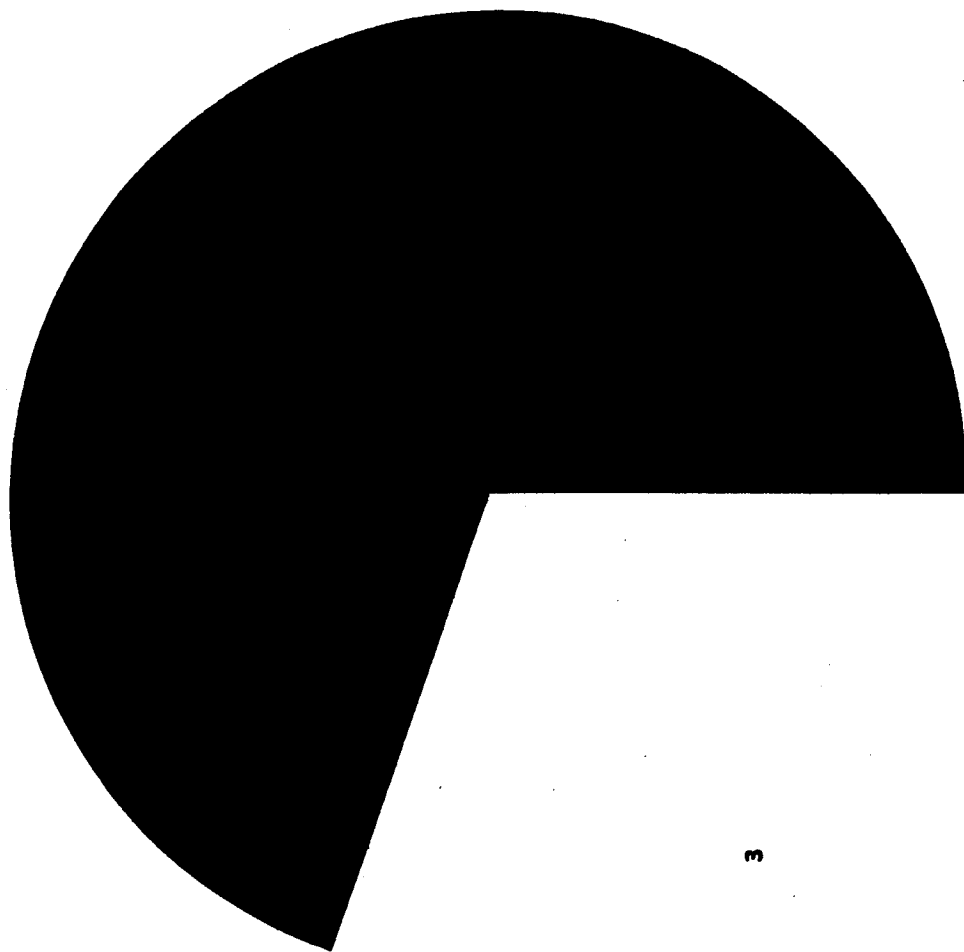
- Good IBI
- Fair IBI
- Poor IBI

**Cabin John Creek=39 samples**



- Good IBI
- Fair IBI
- Poor IBI
- N/A

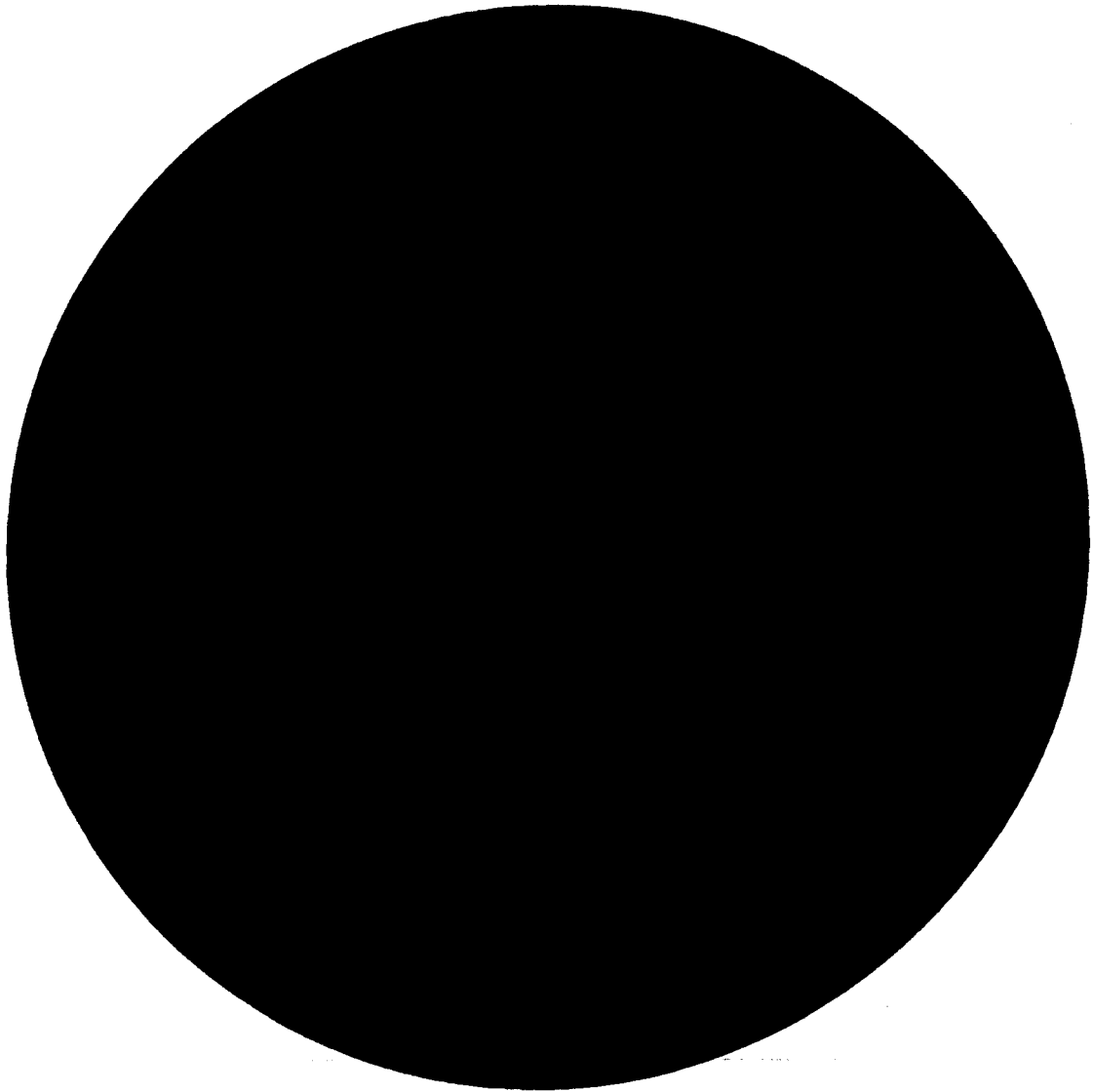
**Monocacy= 10 samples**



■ Good IBI  
Fair IBI  
■ Poor IBI  
■ N/A

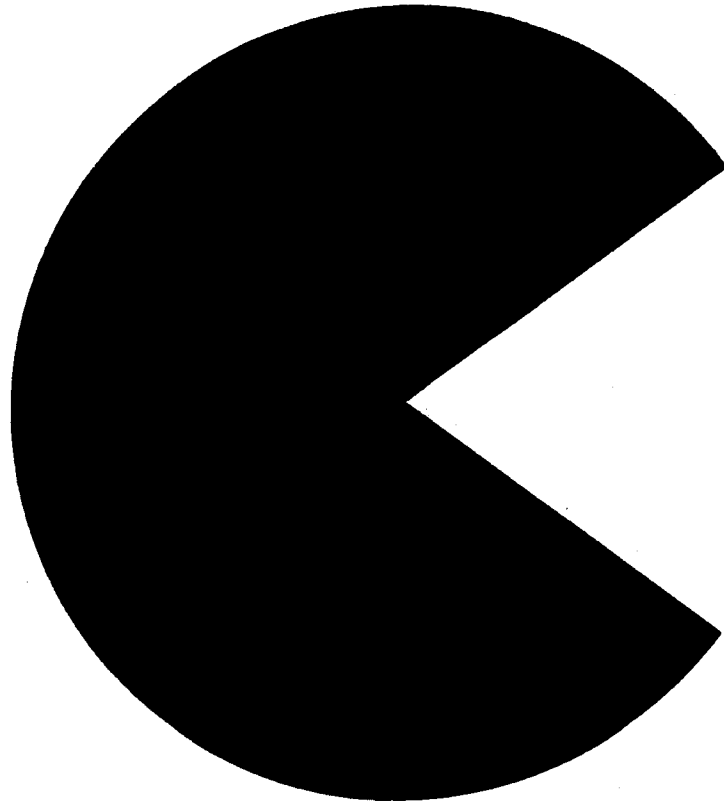


**Muddy Branch=5 samples**



■ Poor IBI

Patuxent=5 samples

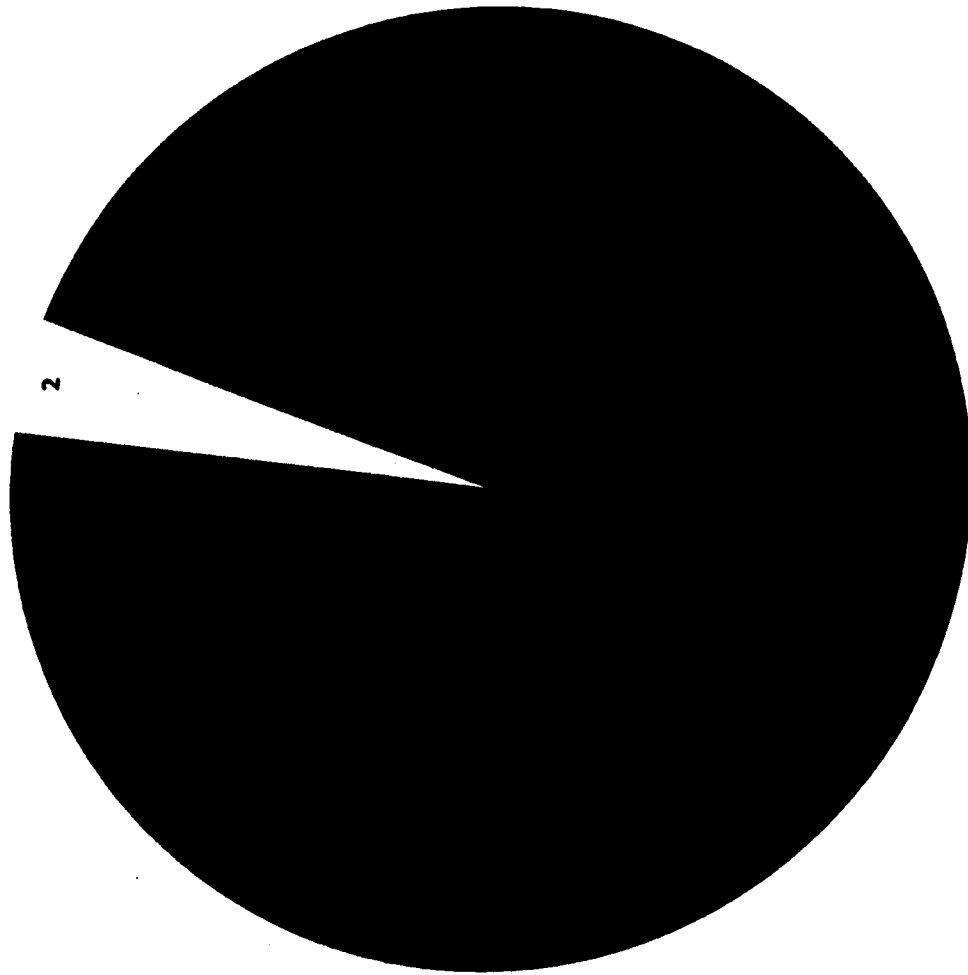


■ Good IBI

■ Fair IBI

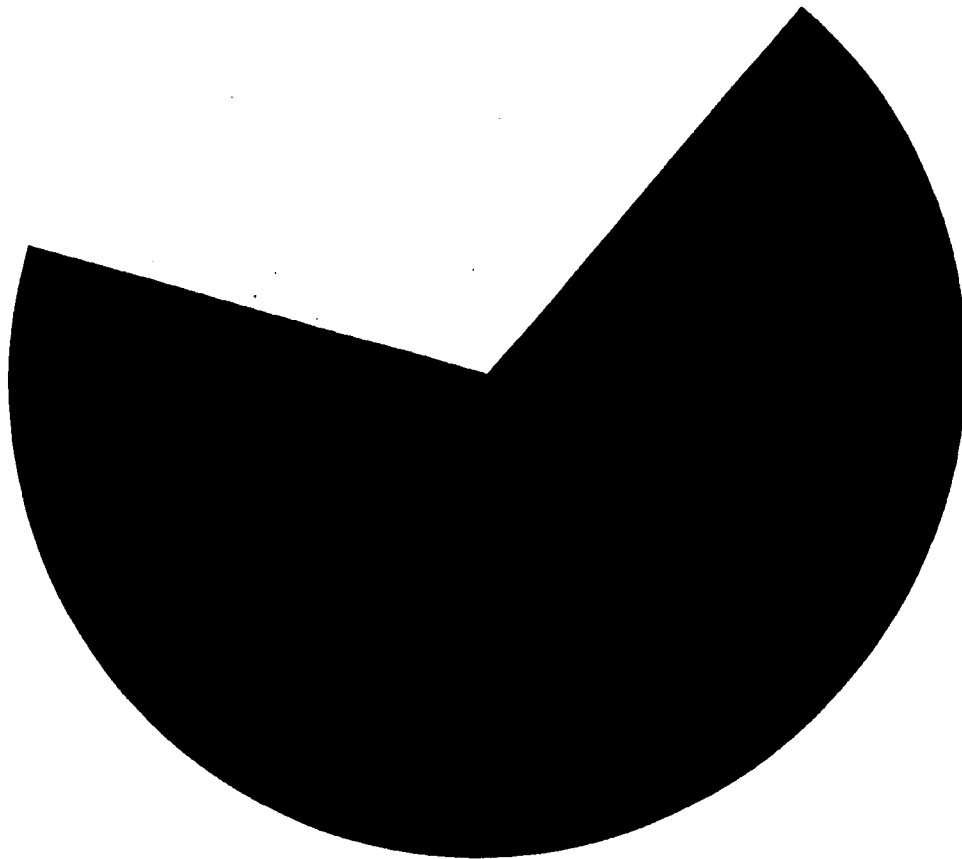
■ Poor IBI

**Rock Creek=49 samples**



- Good IBI
- Fair IBI
- Poor IBI
- N/A

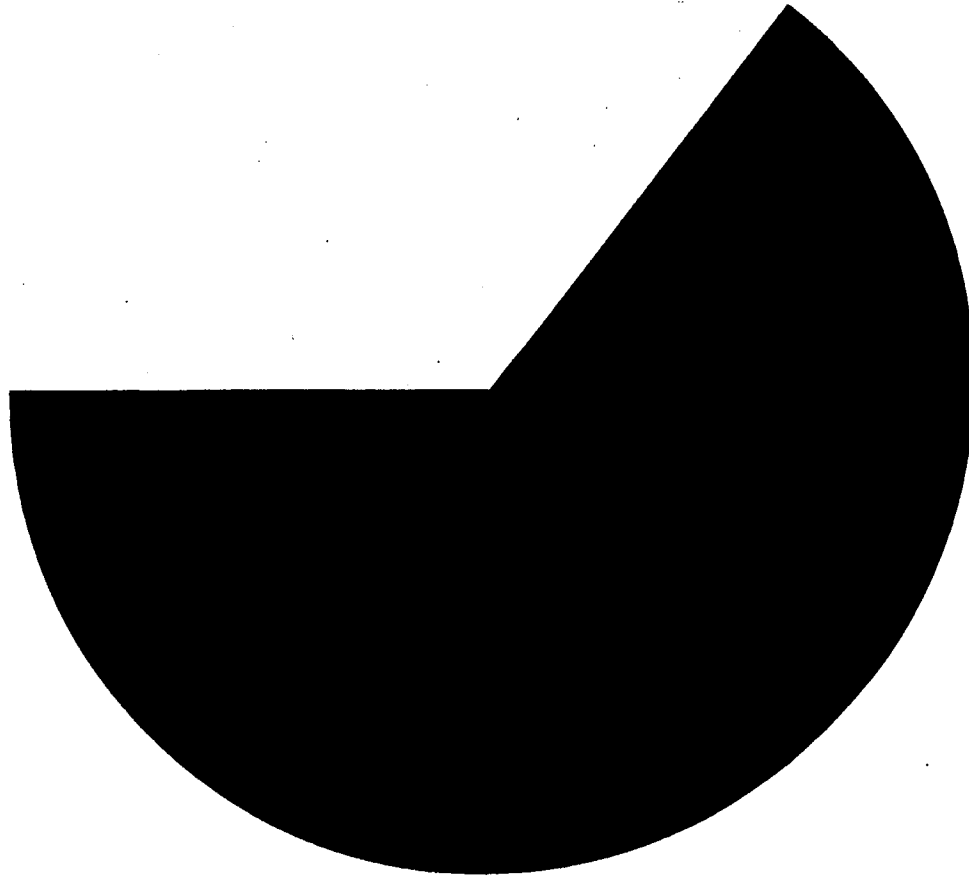
Seneca=110 samples



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- Good IBI
- Fair IBI
- Poor IBI
- N/A

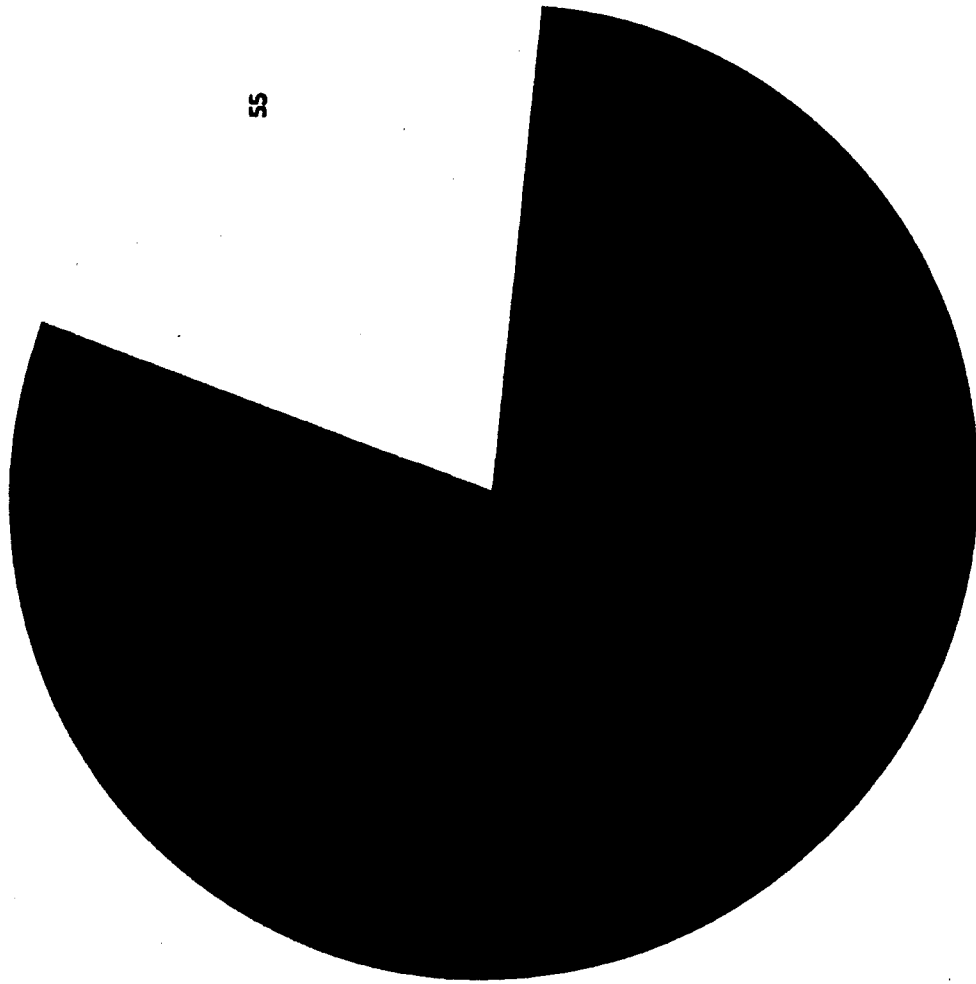
# Rocky Gorge Dam=15 samples



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- Good IBI
- Fair IBI
- Poor IBI
- N/A

**Montgomery County Total IBI=264 samples**



■ Good IBI  
Fair IBI  
■ Poor IBI  
■ N/A

**MCP-CTRACK**

**From:** Mary Ann Daly <madaly@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 28, 2013 5:14 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Cc:** 'Diane Cameron'  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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Dear Planners,

As you work up the Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment, please consider the little voices that favor protecting the county's natural resources. Yes, there are economic reasons to allow outlet malls and other development around Ten Mile Creek. Many of us can't afford to shop anywhere else. But listen -- beneath the golden song of developers thrums a chorus of pollywogs: we are here, let us stay, we are here, let us stay. I think "pervious pavement" is an oxymoron. I doubt developers are listening to pollywogs. I urge you and the Planning Board to approve an Amendment that really protects the reservoir-feeding ecosystem of Ten Mile Creek and concentrates development where it is needed, in Clarksburg Town Center.

Sincerely,  
Mary Ann Daly  
Bethesda, MD

**MCP-CTRACK**

**From:** Evelyn Jacob <ejacob47@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 26, 2013 8:21 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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Chair Francoise Carrier  
Montgomery County Planning Board

August 26, 2013

Dear Chair Carrier,

Humans are about 55-60% water. Without sufficient water we would die; without clean water we would get sick.

Ten Mile Creek is an important source of drinking water people in the Greater Washington area. Development plans now being considered by the Planning Board would add more impervious surfaces to this fragile watershed and would directly contribute to more polluted water. As part of the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek please do not put more development in the Ten Mile Creek area because it would seriously degrade water quality in our area.

Sincerely,

Evelyn Jacob  
Montgomery County resident



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**From:** MarneyB <marneyb@earthlink.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 26, 2013 10:59 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

Dear Chair Carrier,

I am concerned that development plans now being considered by the Planning Board will add too much hard impervious surfaces to Ten Mile Creek watershed. This fragile but heretofore clean creek is valuable in many ways. Other big cities such as New York and San Francisco are taking steps to protect their water supplies by carefully monitoring development. Please consider the right kind of development where it's needed - in Clarksburg Town Center, not in Ten Mile Creek where development would degrade water quality. Please ensure full protection of Ten Mile Creek, as you and your staff devise the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek.

Sincerely,

Marney Bruce  
4541 Windsor Lane  
Bethesda, MD 20814

**MCP-CTRACK**

**From:** Jer Eliason <jer@eliasonlaw.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 26, 2013 10:22 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment  
**Attachments:** Clrksbrg Stage 4 Limited MP Amnd.pdf

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Please see attached letter to Chair Carrier. Thank you.

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August 26, 2013

Chair Francoise Carrier  
Montgomery County Planning Board  
8787 Georgia Avenue  
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Re: Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment and Effect on a Crucial Watershed, Ten Mile Creek

Dear Chair Carrier,

I am writing you in regard to the proposed Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment. The current proposal will have a severe negative impact on our local ecology and may prove dangerous in its effect on the local water supply. A better plan would see the development of Clarksburg Town Center into a smart, future-looking, holistic community that serves the needs of both the residents of Clarksburg and those affected by the Ten Mile Creek watershed.

As you are well aware, the addition of more than 100 acres of impervious surfaces within the Ten Mile Creek watershed, as planned, will cause tremendous issues related to drainage, silting, and pollution. The negative consequences to the Ten Mile Creek watershed, its fish and other aquatic life will be great, as will be the impact on Little Lake Seneca and other 'downstream' bodies of water. The Ten Mile Creek watershed along with Little Lake Seneca is a crucial part of the drinking water supply for 3 million people in the Greater Washington Region. Consider that if the Ten Mile Creek watershed is negatively impacted by increased silting or pollution there will be immediate ecological and quality of life concerns but also under prolonged drought conditions we may see the evisceration of a crucial source of potable water – a very possible scenario and an outcome that the County acted to avoid with the creation of Little Lake Seneca in 1984.

Placing such development, along with appropriate forward-thinking transit systems, within Clarksburg Town Center would not only serve the current and future residents of Clarksburg better by creating a fundamentally better planned community but would also alleviate the above mentioned issues for all residents and visitors of Montgomery County. As you and your staff devise the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment please protect the Ten Mile Creek watershed for all.

Most Sincerely,

/s/  
Jeremiah Eliason, Esq.

## **MCP-CTRACK**

**From:** Tim Willard <dravidic@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 26, 2013 7:06 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Development Plans for Ten Mile Creek

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Chair Francoise Carrier  
Montgomery County Planning Board

26 August 2013

Dear Chair Carrier,

There has been much debate over the Montgomery Planning Board's proposal to develop the land around Clarksburg and Ten Mile Creek. Ten Mile Creek is a crucial part of the drinking water supply for 3 million people in the Greater Washington Region. Development plans now being considered by the Planning Board would add more than 100 acres of hard impervious surfaces to this fragile watershed.

Any decisions the Board makes should take into account the fact that we are headed into a very uncertain future due to climate change and the threats of weather extremes, including droughts and more violent storms that it will bring. These problems will only worsen until we get serious about solving them. Since most politicians won't even talk about global warming, we should be protecting every last bit of quality ecosystems that the county has left, in order to maximizing the county's ecological resilience to withstand coming change.

While we cannot predict what exactly climate change will mean for our area, we know that it is coming and is likely to be damaging. We also know that even minimal paving of green space will degrade the quality of an ecosystem, particularly the water quality of its streams.

Now is the time to be cautious. The ideal solution would be to place all of the Ten Mile Creek land west of I 270 into the Agricultural Reserve. It would be a first step toward a new "master plan" for the county that would strive to preserve what we have in the face of an uncertain future.

Sincerely,

Tim Willard  
10210 Kensington Pkwy  
Kensington, MD 20895

## **MCP-CTRACK**

**From:** Sue Prindle <sue.prindle@prndls.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 23, 2013 3:24 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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Dear Chairman Carrier and all members of the Board:

There is only one Ten Mile Creek. Seen from above it runs clear and pure until just before Little Seneca Reservoir. This will be our drinking water in case of a drought. I lived in Montgomery County fifty years and have endured some severe droughts: reservoirs alarmingly low, some streams dried up, Great Falls reduced to a narrow flow in the ravine.

Clean water needs to be cherished, especially this "Poster Child" Ten Mile Creek for its water quality. Any earth moving in its watershed WILL degrade it. Any building thus needs to be done elsewhere, preferably in the Clarksburg Town Center, as promised.

This requires revision of the July 18 staff draft for the Ten Mile Creek Area plan to show the great value this stream has for all of us.

Respectfully,

Susannah Prindle  
3142 Gracefield Rd #520  
Silver Spring, MD 20904

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**MCP-CTACK**

**From:** Sallie Lowenstein <sallielowenstein@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 23, 2013 5:49 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek development

August 13, 2013  
Dear Chair Carrier,

I am appalled that the planning board would consider developing yet another area of Montgomery County in order to encourage further business development, without regard to the environmental effects that it would have on Ten Mile Creek. When will we learn that once destroyed, our environmental resources cannot be replaced? I think it is time to consider the long range effects of more and more development in this county. Although it might seem to be a way to increase income in the county, if there isn't enough clean water for Montgomery County, who would choose to locate here? It seems that business interests and the interest of developers take precedence over long range negative effects on life styles and the environment. Please choose to develop the Clarksburg Town Center where it will do less damage to our future water supply instead of 100 acres of a fragile watershed.

We have already reached a point where we can see the effects of more and more concrete and more and more buildings, bringing more and more traffic to the area: this year our trees and plants bloomed at least a month and a half early and our trees have begun to turn colors a month early, as well. Concrete heats the air; the loss of trees and green space creates more changes in the temperatures. Every erosion of the environment, as in the case of Ten Mile Creek, has long range effects that are far more damaging than the loss of more businesses.

Please surprise me and decide to develop in a more appropriate place that does not threaten the future of clean drinking water for the county.

Sincerely,  
Sallie Lowenstein  
4921 Aurora Drive  
Kensington, MD 20895

**MCP-CTRACK**

**From:** Christina Tarasuk <christina.tarasuk@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 23, 2013 3:19 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek Inquiry

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Chair Francoise Carrier  
Montgomery County Planning Board

August 23, 2013

Dear Chair Carrier,

I have recently learned about the development plans for Ten Mile Creek and I am writing to ask why the 100 acres of impervious surfaces cannot be moved to the Clarksburg Town Center.

Is there a particular reason why the paved surfaces have to be in an area where they will degrade the water supply?

Sincerely,

Christina Tarasuk  
20406-C Shore Harbour Dr.  
Germantown, MD 20874

**MCP-CTRACK**

**From:** Suzanne Shoemaker <owlmoonrc@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 23, 2013 2:34 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek  
**Attachments:** Ten mile Creek MCPB letter.docx

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Dear Chair Currier,  
Please read the attached letter to you and the Montgomery County Planning Board regarding the Clarkesburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Shoemaker  
20201 Bucklodge Road  
Boyd's, MD 20841

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Suzanne Shoemaker



Chair Francoise Currier  
Montgomery County Planning Board

August 23, 2013

Dear Chair Currier,

I believe the plans for development in the Ten Mile Creek Watershed, which are currently under consideration by the Planning Board, are ill conceived and ill advised. Ten Mile Creek is a primary source of the Little Seneca Lake reserve water supply for Greater Washington, and this source, the most pristine in the county, should be protected from this kind of development. The development would add over 100 acres of impervious surfaces to the watershed, which are known to drastically degrade water quality by increasing runoff, adding automobile and other contaminants, and heating the water.

Not only is this develop bad for the regional water supply, it is bad for the County and Clarkesburg residents. We need to change our thinking in Montgomery County. Instead of adding yet another shopping and entertainment destination on the I-270 corridor (don't we have enough of these? even in nearby Germantown?), give the people of Clarkesburg a Town Center that they can safely walk to, or get to by mass transit, and enjoy the amenities they have long been promised.

I ask you to fully protect the beautiful, pristine Ten Mile Creek, the last best creek in the County, as you and your staff devise the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek. It is the right thing to do for Montgomery County.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Shoemaker  
20201 Bucklodge Road  
Boys, MD 20841

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**From:**  
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Ellen Pearl <plumstuff@verizon.net>  
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A mall at the head waters of this pristine creek would be a disaster. I just returned from visiting Walden Pond in Massachusetts, where even our forefathers had the good sense to protect it and the Walden Woods from developers. (Walden.org) Please do not destroy this area and permit permanent damage to our creek, town and future of this fragile bit of Nature, now, within your grasp.

Sincerely,  
Ellen Pearl  
Clarksburg, MD

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**From:** Hoh <hohctr@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 23, 2013 1:58 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Clean water should stay CLEAN

My Boyds community is adjacent to Little Seneca Lake. We live with water from the ground and it is pure...for now. Please vote to limit development west of 121 so Ten Mile Creek's headwaters can be preserved. Thank you. Cheryl Imperatore

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**From:** Mary Joan Ferrara-Marsland <maryjoanferrara@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 23, 2013 11:08 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair

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Dear Ms. Carrier,

I am a resident of the Boyds/Clarksburg area. I live on West Old Baltimore Rd. in a house from the 1960's. As you can imagine the area has changed enormously in the last 15 years that I have lived here. Change is inevitable and while I don't like it I accept it. I cannot though accept the development on the last clean watershed in Montgomery County for yet more houses and an outlet mall of all things. This is really unacceptable and unnecessary. I grew up in Montgomery County off Norbeck Rd. I am 52 yrs old and watched all the farms destroyed out there when I was a child. I guess we are going to destroy every last bit of it if we can and the developers have their way and you approve it. It's a shame the creek and wildlife can't speak for themselves. There are a 100 more reasons why not to do this but I will not go into it but I urge the county council to take a stand and say NO! Leave the county with some legacy of something good.

Sincerely yours,

Mary Joan Ferrara-Marsland  
Boyds, MD

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**From:** Susan Hunt <shunt820@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 22, 2013 8:22 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Letter re: Ten Mile Creek  
**Attachments:** Letter to Planning Board re Ten Mile Creek.docx

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Attached is my letter in support of protecting Ten Mile Creek.

Susan Hunt

10705 Tenbrook Drive  
Silver Spring, MD 20901  
August 22, 2013

Planning Board of Montgomery County  
[Mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org](mailto:Mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org)

Dear Madam Chair and Planning Board Members:

As a lifelong resident of Montgomery County, I write in response to the Public Hearing Draft of the "Ten Mile Creek Area – Limited Amendment to the Clarksburg Master Plan."

In my 70 years in the County, I have witnessed from my earliest days the loss of treasured places, from my earliest memory of playing in the pastures of the old Ayrlawn Dairy Farm in Bethesda to riding my bike to an untouched woods, just adjacent to where the Beltway traffic now passes 24/7. As a child I often heard the calls of the Bobwhite Quail (now almost certainly extirpated from the County) and an occasional Whip-poor-will repeating its name over and over again. At dusk, we would watch Nighthawks passing over and then bats decimating the mosquito population.

Times have changed, as has the face of the County, but there comes a point when we need to say "stop" and protect what is left. Pockets of natural areas are not enough – we need buffer areas to protect from runoff and other degradation from the endless development and building that is Montgomery County today.

No one disputes that the Ten Mile Creek area is unique in its ecological quality; that it is Montgomery County's reference stream attests to this unique status. Any increase in impervious surface, especially in the headwaters, will damage this irreplaceable resource. We already have a large number of degraded streams – almost all of them, in fact. We have enough aging shopping malls and housing developments to know what a developed Ten Mile exurbia would look like. The Planning Board can choose development – as has happened all too frequently in the past – or it can protect the treasures we have left.

I urge you to do what your name implies – *plan* for the future. Plan for those who will come after us – our children, our grandchildren, and their children. Give them the irreplaceable treasure of a pristine Montgomery County stream amid uncarved Piedmont forest – water pure enough to play in and woods deep enough to protect it.

Respectfully yours,

Susan D. Hunt  
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From: Jennie Howland <jenhow919@gmail.com>  
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To: MCP-Chair  
Subject: Ten Mile Creek

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The Honorable Francoise Carrier,

We write on behalf of the Muddy Branch Alliance, a grass roots organization of environmentally concerned Montgomery County residents. We are particularly troubled by the recent filing of the Montgomery County Planning Board's staff report and recommendation regarding development in the Ten Mile Creek/Clarksburg area of the county, just to the north of our impaired watershed.

The staff report essentially endorses and accepts the demands of developers that the environmentally sensitive headwaters area of Ten Mile Creek be degraded in order to accommodate developer's plans. The staff report itself *concedes* that the adoption of their recommendations means that Ten Mile Creek, the source of clean water flowing into the Little Seneca Reservoir, will lose its designation as the last remaining high quality stream in the county. The staff's reliance on "environmental site design" measures supposedly to salvage a damaged stream - measures to be implemented by the developers themselves - is sadly without foundation in science, history or logic. Although environmental site design may be able to help restore impaired watershed, and are proven to reduce impacts of development, they are not the sole protection that will protect a high quality watershed such as Ten Mile Creek. Strict limits of impervious surfaces are also required.

We do not for a moment question the need for additional development in the form of retail and other improvements and amenities in Clarksburg. These have been long promised and long delayed. One has to ask, however, why this development needs to be implemented in the *headwaters* of Ten Mile Creek instead of in Clarksburg Town Center, where it is actually needed and has been long planned. Transparently, the only reason development of the headwaters is even being contemplated is that developers have *ownership* interest in the headwaters area, and not in the Town Center. Yet the staff recommendation accedes to developer's designs which staff *knows and concedes* will destroy water quality.

The county's own history with the growth of impervious surfaces, by itself, should be enough to convince the Planning Board of the short sighted benefit is outweighed by the long term detriment to the county of permitting *any* such fate for Ten Mile Creek. We have already lost Little Seneca Creek, Cabin Branch and Watts Creek to development that similarly promised the adequacy of "environmental site design" measures as are now proposed for Ten Mile Creek. When history is added to the peer reviewed science as well as the basic illogic of the proposed developmental plan, the case against the staff's recommendation becomes overwhelming.

We respectfully ask that the staff recommendation be revised to exclude any development of the sensitive headwaters areas of Ten Mile Creek.

Jennie Howland, Vice President  
Muddy Branch Alliance

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From: Lisa Sohn <sohn\_lisa@yahoo.com>  
Sent: Monday, August 19, 2013 4:15 PM  
To: MCP-Chair  
Subject: Please save 10 Mile Creek

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Since this creek is one of the last fresh water sources in Montgomery County it is vitally important that you do all that you can to keep it pristine. It must be protected now and for future generations. Show that you are one of the few politicians that care about more than just the next election and make sure that this important natural resource is protected.

Thank you.

A returning resident and prolific voter,  
*Lisa Sohn*



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**From:** Karoline Anders <amakmarma@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 16, 2013 8:34 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair; councilmember.andrews@montgomerycountymd.gov;  
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**Cc:** 'fobh BLACKHILL'; dianecameron60@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

We have heard, in the debate about development in Clarksburg, discussions about the potential impact of building 1000+ new homes, shopping areas and more in the area of Ten Mile Creek. However, I submit to you that the potential environmental impact of this decision is much broader. Since Ten Mile Creek is part of the Chesapeake watershed, any actions taken will have an impact on the greater Chesapeake watershed. This means that any addition of paved surfaces will result in more sediment going in the Chesapeake. This means that for all the additional lawns that are cut, mowed, fertilized and have weed-killer applied, there are that many more phosphates and other dangerous chemicals flushed into our water supply and fouling the waters of the Chesapeake and all who depend on it. More development also means that for all the trees that cut down to make room for growth, the carbon footprint of Montgomery County grows. More development also means extra cars and homes and shops, resulting in a carbon footprint that grows larger still. More roads and driveways and paved surfaces in the form of parking lots (even permeable ones) also results in more salt being introduced into both Ten Mile Creek and the Chesapeake watershed.

With regard to development occurring in *all* parts of Montgomery County, I want to suggest that since these areas are also in the Chesapeake Watershed, there should be requirements that new developments adopt a "Zero-net energy" design and similarly conserve water. Development in the Hudson River Valley is starting to reflect this forward-thinking approach and should be implemented here as well. Also, as someone familiar with the Hudson Valley, I must say I am shocked that Montgomery County does not restrict the use of road salt the way it is controlled in Upstate New York.

It is my hope that the stewards of Montgomery County will realize the importance of the development decisions before them and act to protect our not only Ten Mile Creek, but also to do the right thing for the Chesapeake Watershed, or drinking water and everything that relies on this.

Sincerely,

Karoline and Roger Anders  
Germantown, Maryland

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**From:** Tenley Wurglitz <tenley.wurglitz@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 15, 2013 1:18 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek Area Limited Amendment to the Clarksburg Master Plan

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August 15, 2013

[MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org](mailto:MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org)  
The Honorable Francoise Carrier  
Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board  
Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

Re: Ten Mile Creek Area Limited Amendment to the Clarksburg Master Plan

Dear Chair Carrier and Commissioners,

I urge you to revise the July 18th staff draft for the Ten Mile Creek Area Master Plan to ensure the protection of Ten Mile Creek, our last, best creek and a one-of-a-kind treasure that cannot be replaced. Please revise the staff draft to make water resource protection the primary goal of the plan in acknowledgement of the fact that Ten Mile Creek is the healthiest source of water to the emergency drinking water supply for over 3 million people in the Washington metropolitan area. Ten Mile Creek also feeds into the Piedmont Sole Source Aquifer which 62% of upcounty residents rely on for their water needs and serves as a reference for assessing the health of all other waterways in Montgomery County. Clearly, the continued health of Ten Mile Creek is important for many reasons and this should be the preeminent objective for the Ten Mile Creek Area Master Plan.

As you consider how to move forward, I ask you to remember that Ten Mile Creek is irreplaceable. If you allow development and an increase in the amount of impervious surface in this watershed, there is no mystery about what will happen--Ten Mile Creek will be degraded and the emergency back-up drinking water supply for the DC metropolitan area will be threatened, along with our regional groundwater supply and Ten Mile Creek's status as a reference stream. There will be no going back and Environmental Site Design and other engineering fixes will not be able to mitigate the impacts of increased development and impervious surface in the watershed. Impervious surfaces and healthy waterways are simply incompatible.

Unfortunately, many streams in our region have been impaired by development. I grew up playing in a tributary of Muddy Branch Creek in North Potomac and while that creek will always hold a special place in my heart, it has clearly been severely impacted by the extensive development in its watershed. The first time I visited Ten Mile Creek about a year and a half ago as a volunteer member of Audubon Naturalist Society's water monitoring program, I was struck by how different Ten Mile Creek feels than any other creek I've visited in our area. You don't have to be a stream ecologist to see that Ten Mile Creek is special with its steady flow of clear, cold water, good forest canopy, and diverse community of aquatic insects, amphibians and fish. This is a rare opportunity to protect a stream that is in good health. There aren't any other creeks like it in Montgomery County and if it is degraded by development, there is no going back.

Smart growth decisions don't get any more clear-cut than this—do we develop the watershed of our

healthiest stream (one that the entire region relies on) knowing full well that the health of the creek will be severely impacted or do we protect the creek and put development where it's needed and promised—in Clarksburg Town Center? I urge you in the strongest terms to think about what kind of legacy we want for our region. Protecting Ten Mile Creek is the right thing for Montgomery County and for our region and protecting it would send a powerful message to citizens young and old that Montgomery County is serious about smart growth and cares about preserving its irreplaceable natural resources.

In closing, I ask you to revise the July 18th staff draft for the Ten Mile Creek Area Master Plan to make water resource protection the primary goal of the plan, protect the health of Ten Mile Creek, and prohibit any new development in this sensitive and unique watershed.

Thank you for taking the time to read my comments and for your consideration of this issue.

Respectfully,  
Tenley Elizabeth Wurglitz  
4550 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Apt. 816  
Washington, D.C. 20008

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**From:** Jim Fremont <jimfremont@earthlink.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 13, 2013 4:55 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

The Honorable Francoise Carrier  
Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board  
8787 Georgia Ave.  
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Dear Chair Carrier and Commissioners:

As a Montgomery County citizen concerned about the future of our County, I am writing to ask that you do everything possible to protect the integrity of Ten Mile Creek. Specifically, please revise the July 18 staff draft for the Ten Mile Creek Area plan to reflect that this is our county's last, best creek, and is the cleanest source of water to our region's backup emergency drinking water supply at Little Seneca Reservoir.

Please don't allow development to degrade Ten Mile Creek in any way. The purpose of the Ten Mile Creek watershed - Stage 4 of the Clarksburg Master Plan - is to provide drinking water via Little Seneca Reservoir and via the Piedmont Sole Source aquifer, and to serve as our Montgomery County's reference stream against which the health of all other streams are judged.

Sprawl already threatens Ten Mile Creek. Please don't allow further development to degrade this sensitive and valuable natural resource, and please don't pull investments away from where they are really needed, the Clarksburg Town Center. We can build elsewhere, but we cannot find or build ourselves another Ten Mile Creek. If this irreplaceable water resource is lost, it is lost forever.

Three million people in the greater DC region are depending upon your decision on the Ten Mile Creek Limited Amendment.

Thank you for your time, attention, and consideration.

Sincerely,

Jim Fremont  
2421 Evans Drive  
Silver Spring, MD 20902-4938  
[jimfremont@earthlink.net](mailto:jimfremont@earthlink.net)

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**From:** Diane Rosenberg <Diane@rosenberg-assoc.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 12, 2013 11:32 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Little Seneca creek

Please save this creek. Montgomery county does not need another box shopping center. We need CLEAN WATER.

Diane Rosenberg

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**From:** Carolyn <talcott2@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 11, 2013 4:43 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek Area Limited Amendment to the Clarksburg Master Plan

Dear Chairperson Carrier and Members of the Planning Commission:

Please do whatever needs to be done to protect our precious Ten Mile Creek from the irreparable harm that will be caused if the Pulte and/or Peterson Co. developments, in even "moderated" forms, are allowed to proceed. There is no going back once a piece of land, a stream, a source of pure water has been contaminated. The history of this kind of development on watersheds is available to see. "Oops, sorry, didn't know that, let's just wait and see" etc. will not be acceptable, ever, as excuses for narrow thinking and short-sighted management.

It isn't easy being under pressure from developers with big plans and rosy glasses. But Clarksburg has already gotten royally cheated on promises made to them for a town center by just such developers. Do promises mean anything? Wouldn't it be possible to use the notion of development to finish what was started in Clarksburg and complete a plan that was hyped and sold to our county? Wouldn't the integrity of the planning process be hugely enhanced by such a decision? If you need to be seen as development-inclusive, that would certainly do it!

But whatever you decide about the town center, the correct decision must be made to preserve Ten Mile Creek and our county watershed. "Just say NO" to development in this fragile arena. Period. Please understand that we all see you and the Planning Commission as having the power here. Like parents. You can preserve this gorgeous countryside of ours, this one-of-kind creek, our emergency water supply, or you can let the developers - like smart, noisy, very precocious teenagers- outmaneuver you. That's what they do. That's how they make their money. They're not in a long-range, broad-view business. You, we hope, are.

To make the point, maybe you and the Commissioners and your staff can all put on your sneakers some morning and, like Justice William O. Douglas who saved our C&O Canal from being paved over, get out on the Creek to walk the walk and show skeptics what careful, big-picture, environmentally sound and humanly respectful planning and care-taking might look like. Sometimes it looks simply like preserving what you have, and being joyful in its future.

Good luck. You don't have an easy job. And we trust your integrity.

Best regards,  
Carolyn Talcott

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**From:** Darlene Markevich <mardajul@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 09, 2013 10:16 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

The Honorable Françoise Carrier  
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Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board  
Silver Spring, MD

August 9,

Dear Chair Carrier and Commissioners,

I am writing to request that you revise the July 18 draft for the Ten Mile Creek Area Master Plan to reflect that Ten Mile Creek is Montgomery County's cleanest source of water for our region's backup emergency drinking water supply at Little Seneca reservoir. Please don't allow development to degrade Ten Mile Creek in any way. The purpose of the Ten Mile Creek watershed is to provide drinking water via Little Seneca reservoir and the Piedmont sole source aquifer, and to serve as our County's reference stream against which the health of all other streams is judged.

Please establish that water resource protection and, in particular, protection of drinking water and water quality, is the pre-eminent purpose for the Ten Mile Creek Area Master Plan. Please don't allow the health and quality of Ten Mile Creek to be threatened. Residential and commercial developments can be built as needed elsewhere, but we cannot find or build ourselves another Ten Mile Creek. It is an irreplaceable water resource. Three million people in the greater Washington, DC metropolitan region are depending upon your decision regarding Ten Mile Creek.

Sincerely,

Darlene Markevich  
7 Bargene Court  
Germantown, MD

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**From:** Alan G Isaac <alan.isaac@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 09, 2013 7:27 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** protect Ten Mile Creek and Little Seneca Reservoir

Please rule out development along Ten Mile Creek and Little Seneca Reservoir.  
Proposed development threatens this important public amenity and may well threaten the water quality of our emergency water supply.

Thank you,  
Alan Isaac  
6203 Maiden Lane  
Bethesda, MD 20817



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**From:** howenowratkow@rcn.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 08, 2013 10:57 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek - Amendment to Clarksburg Master Plan

Ms. Francoise Carrier  
Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board  
Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

Dear Chair Carrier and Commissioners:

I am writing to you today to express my concern over the Board's handling of the master plan for Clarksburg's development, particularly its review of Stage 4. As a County resident and voter, and as a user of the public drinking water system, I urge you to restrict housing development to the east of I-270 in Clarksburg. As I understand it, Little Seneca Lake is the emergency drinking water supply for the entire D.C. region, a source that NOAA and NWS simulations project we will need to call upon more frequently in the future. I would hope you could find a better place than the major tributary of this drinking water supply to place a thousand-homes' worth of stormwater runoff laced with salt, motor oil, transmission fluid, pesticides, herbicides and insecticides. Particularly when Stage 1 of the plan - which sounds as if it should be completed first - which includes a walkable, liveable Clarksburg center, remains little more than a talking point.

Though I live down county, I have visited and enjoyed Ten Mile Creek many times. It is a beauty and all too rare at this point in our history. I know its quality is good enough to qualify it is a biological reference stream, and that its health is likely a fundamental factor to the long-term health of Little Seneca Lake. Please don't allow the quality of Ten Mile Creek - and our emergency drinking water to be compromised. Residents of Clarksburg deserve the Town Center they were promised, and residents of the County deserve to have both their common natural resources and their drinking water protected - permanently.

Sincerely,

Pat Ratkowski

9510 Evergreen Street  
Silver Spring, MD 20901

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**From:** Bluespruce22@aol.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 06, 2013 10:12 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek Area Limited Amendment to the Clarksburg Master Plan  
**Attachments:** Ten Mile Creek Letter - JLW.docx

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The Honorable Francoise Carrier  
Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board  
Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

Re: Ten Mile Creek Area Limited Amendment to the Clarksburg Master Plan

Dear Chair Carrier and Commissioners:

This letter is to express my deep concern about the future health of Montgomery County's last best stream, Ten Mile Creek near Clarksburg.

My family stumbled upon the creek at the ford a couple of times during visits to the Agricultural Reserve area and could not believe we were still in a large metropolitan area – it felt like we'd stepped back in time and, as we later learned, we probably had – it was still a stream that flowed mainly as Mother Nature had planned with little "benefit" from the hand of man.

In recent years my daughter has been part of a water quality monitoring team surveying the health of that stream. As you know, the stream is of critical importance to the residents of the D.C. Metropolitan area as its flow helps provide the area's backup emergency water supply in Little Seneca Lake, a supply we have tapped twice in recent years during times of drought.

Currently there are plans afoot to develop properties that will impact the purity and overall quality of the stream forever. I urge you to take a "hard line"

approach to protecting this stream valley, its water and its headwaters. Use the "worst case" analysis when reaching your decision. Clarksburg needs and deserves a well-designed Town Center, making life there easier and foot shopping more possible, and it can be developed without damaging Ten Mile Creek. I urge you though to use your energies and abilities to oppose plans for the proposed developments in the headwaters.

If you haven't visited this special creek on foot, you must. It's an eye-opening experience to see in person the obvious visible difference between this wild creek and the creeks in the "stream valley parks" in residential developments in Montgomery County. Before we moved to Kentlands, our house in North Potomac backed to Rich Branch Creek, a tributary of Muddy Branch Creek, and over the sixteen years we lived there we saw gradual degradation in the creeks within the Flints Grove neighborhood despite well intentioned planning and modest stewardship of the waters and stream valleys. It was disheartening to see firsthand the changes that occurred from just houses, streets and driveways - without shopping malls or parking lots in the mix.

When I really saw Ten Mile for the first time on foot (and not worrying if our car would survive the ford), I knew I had to work to save it so it didn't become another "lost" stream. It turns out that if we let this one go - we will have lost them all.

Please help protect the creek and direct ALL development outside of this watershed. We really need to save this Montgomery County treasure.

Sincerely,

Julia Larson Wurglitz  
243 Little Quarry Road  
Gaithersburg, MD 20878

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**From:** Sally Gagne <sgagne@erols.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 06, 2013 8:26 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** FULL protection needed for Ten Mile Creek

Are we really considering NOT planning for full protection of a creek that's still in good condition? We can't get the near-pristine creek back once we allow it to degrade. Here's our chance to save a good natural watershed; we would be fools not to, for reasons of general environmental health and for maintaining all the species that were in the county before development. Future development should be centered in our largest areas in order to retain the maximum natural land possible.

Sincerely,  
Sally Gagne  
606 St. Andrews Lane  
Silver Spring, MD 20901  
301-588-207  
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**Garcia, Joyce**

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**From:** Heidi Lippman <heidilippman@me.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 14, 2013 10:03 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Clarksburg Master Plan

To The County Council and planning board,

As a longtime homeowner in Montgomery County I am shocked at the "so called progress" the county is making.

Why would you chose to undermine our water and quality of life with redundant commercial projects.

Are you being seduced by big money?

Why would you believe Pulte?

\*Why is the Board even considering a development proposal which clearly will endanger the metropolitan area's back-up water supply?

\*Why is the Board considering a development proposal which clearly will impact the Piedmont Sole Source Aquifer?

\*Why is the Board considering a development proposal upon which predictions of imperviousness are based on unproven "experimental" data rather than established science?

\*Why is the Board seemingly ignoring the County Council's promise (made to the entire metropolitan area), when it was asking Boyd citizens to give up land a to create a reservoir, to preserve the quality of Ten Mile Creek "in perpetuity"?

\*Is the Board aware of the numerous--successful--state and federal law suits against, and payments by, Pulte Homes for environmental violations?

For example:

1. According to the Justice Department and the EPA, Pulte Homes "settled" on violations of storm water run-off regulations at construction sites in 34 states and the District of Columbia;
2. A Georgia jury awarded a record 2.5 million dollars in an environmental law suit against Pulte Homes for erosion, sedimentation and storm water violations;

Heidi Lippman  
301-991-4429 cell  
[heidilippman@me.com](mailto:heidilippman@me.com)  
[www.heidilippman.com](http://www.heidilippman.com)

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**From:** Ken Bawer <kbawer@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 06, 2013 9:44 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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Dear Chairperson Carrier:

The science is clear: ANY development in the Ten Mile Creek watershed will have a negative impact on the backup water supply for millions of our residents.

Please don't trade our natural resources for increased developers' profits. Any development should be concentrated in a Clarksburg town center outside of the Ten Mile Creek Watershed.

Please do the right thing for the citizens of our County.

Sincerely,

Ken Bawer  
8 Cleveland Ct.  
Rockville, MD 20850

**Garcia, Joyce**

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**From:** Emily Koechlin <e.koechlin@starpower.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2013 11:52 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Clarksburg and Ten Mile Creek

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Dear Ms. Carrier:

I am writing to you as the Planning Board's decision on the fate of Clarksburg nears. I urge the Board to decide to scale development so that the quality of Ten Mile Creek is preserved. Our focus must be to complete the Town Center and associated transportation needs while protecting our environment.

Sincerely,

Emily Koechlin

7217 Garland Ave

Takoma Park, MD 20912

**Garcia, Joyce**

**From:** CAROL HAYES <carolmh@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2013 12:04 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** ten mile creek

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Please support the protection of Ten Mile Creek, which in turn protects our drinking water and a diverse habitat for wildlife and for people to enjoy. Give the citizens of Clarksburg their promised town center without contributing to county sprawl. There is no going back once a resource like Ten Mile Creek is compromised.

Carol Hayes  
Silver Spring/Washington, DC



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**From:** alisonupstairs@gmail.com on behalf of Alison Gillespie <alisonupstairs@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2013 9:05 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Please work to protect Ten Mile Creek from sprawl

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I am writing to request that the Planning Board please work to protect Ten Mile Creek.

I have been very dismayed to see news about the development plans for the area, and worry that they will very much degrade our emergency water supply. Furthermore, I think it is an outrage that those who bought in Clarksburg have not yet gotten the town square kind of development that they were promised. It seems as if developers were able to pull a gigantic "bait and switch" on those who bought houses there. I am sick and tired of seeing the developers get away with that kind of nonsense and it is time we stopped letting them do so in Maryland.

That said, I think many people also bought houses there because that part of our county is very beautiful. I myself, a resident of Silver Spring, have often enjoyed it. It is one of the county's best assets, and it would be a real shame to destroy it for more ugly, unneeded sprawl.

I hope you will work to protect the beauty and ecological integrity of this important part of our county.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Alison Gillespie  
1826 Brisbane Court  
Silver Spring, MD 20902

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**From:** Joyce <BaileyJN52@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2013 9:22 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** ten mile creek

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Dear Planning Board Chair Francoise Carrier and Board Members,

I know you are facing lots of pressure in regards to the Clarksburg Limited Master Plan. There is much at stake both in terms of developer's investments and the environment. I am writing to encourage you not to approve development in the 10 mile Creek Watershed via the Limited Master Plan. We need clean, abundant water in order to live and therefor our watershed must be protected. We have fewer and fewer spaces left to share with the wildlife of Montgomery County.

In fifty years, I hope we can all stand along the bank of 10 mile creek and see its intact watershed stretching in all direction. I hope we can enjoy the golden rod blooming and the birds feeding in the branches of the sycamores. I hope we can stand there and thank the Planning Board for their foresight and courage to preserve the 10 Mile Creek Watershed.

Thank you for listening.

Joyce Bailey  
21730 Beallsville Rd.  
Barnesville MD 20838

**Garcia, Joyce**

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**From:** steveandannett <steveandannett@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2013 9:35 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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Ms. Carrier:

My wife and I support preserving the Ten Mile Creek watershed. This is one of the most pristine streams left in the county. The county already suffers from an excess of non-porous surfaces. Development should be restricted to the Clarksburg Town Center where development can be concentrated as planned for.

Steve Sroka  
Annett Mettler  
8523 Freyman Drive  
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

**Garcia, Joyce**

**From:** C <cynmorton@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2013 1:36 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek -- too precious a resource to lose!

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Dear Chair Carrier,

Please make the choices which will protect our future water supply, give a struggling community the Town Center that meets its needs, and DENY the developers permission to forever degrade an ecologically rich watershed. Once destroyed, Ten Mile Creek and its surrounds will be gone forever. We owe our children and our fellow citizens the precious natural resources we've been graced with.

Thank you for listening,  
Cynthia L. Morton  
307 Eldrid Drive  
Silver Spring, MD 20904

**Garcia, Joyce**

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**From:** V Hoff <valerina08@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2013 12:19 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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Dear Chairwoman Carrier,

I have been a resident of Montgomery County for 17 years, including living in Bethesda for the past 6 years. As I am sure you are aware, there is a lot of development occurring in the southern part of the county. I think it is very important that the citizens and government of Montgomery County preserve as much "undeveloped" land as possible -- partially to counterbalance all the development going on in the more urban areas of the county, but also because it is a good idea by itself.

Undeveloped land is important in so many ways, including: (1) it provides much needed habitat for animals and plants; (2) the plants, especially mature trees, are an important part of the rain and air cycles, producing oxygen, absorbing carbon dioxide, and helping to produce and clean water; (3) it helps maintain the genetic diversity of all life on the planet, creating a much needed "bank" of same for the mutual benefit of all life on the planet; and (4) its beauty brings joy to our souls, and provides us with places where we may experience the natural world.

One of the undeveloped places that the county government is considering developing is Ten Mile Creek and its environs. I believe that this is a grave mistake for the reasons enumerated above, and also because Ten Mile Creek is a tributary of Little Seneca Reservoir, which is the emergency drinking water supply for the greater Washington, DC area.

I strongly urge the council to protect Ten Mile Creek and its watershed.

Thank you for your time.

Val Hoff

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**From:** Erika Nunez <erika.k.nunez@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2013 3:08 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek Area Limited Amendment - Clarksburg Master Plan

OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN  
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The Honorable Francoise Carrier

Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board

Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

Dear Chair Carrier and Commissioners,

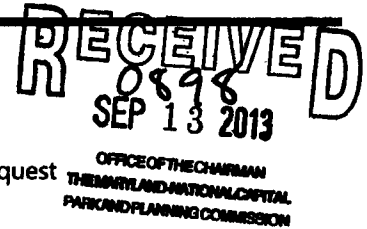
Thank you for extending the deadline for written testimony. As a Washington DC resident who depends on the Potomac and may in times of drought come to depend on the Little Seneca reservoirs, I consider myself one of the many stakeholders put at risk by potential development of that watershed. I had the opportunity to attend the public hearing on Tuesday evening, and only have one short point for your consideration.

Before I was at the hearing, I was at a summit on global water security hosted by the U.S. Institute of Peace, the Association of the U.S. Army, and the U.S. Water Partnership. For hours, public and private sector leaders discussed the need to secure our water resources infrastructure and agreed on the paramount importance of prioritizing prevention. I was struck by the parallels of our country's global efforts and the local debate so near to our capital. This international concern includes the United States, and includes Clarksburg. A decision made at home truly speaks to the integrity of our global position. We live in an extraordinarily fortunate area, but there is no corner in the world so removed from reality that developers can claim a "right" to consider explicitly harmful projects to our most precious resource. Safeguarding our water supply now will be much easier than fixing whatever preventable problems harming it will have induced. I urge you all to caution yourselves against propagating a dangerous precedent. Your decision will send a loud, clear message of Montgomery County's priorities.

Respectfully,  
Erika Nunez

**Garcia, Joyce**

**From:** Jennifer Hinrichs <jhinrichs@rcn.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2013 2:52 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten-Mile Creek and regional drinking water protection request



Dear Ms. Carrier,

As a long-time resident of Montgomery County, I know your planning board has been closely reviewing the Ten Mile Creek development plans and carefully weighing the issues in regards to a limited amendment to the Clarksburg Master Plan.

I am writing to state my strong support for protecting our emergency drinking water supply. I understand it is labeled "emergency" but that term somehow makes it seem less vital to protect if we think of it as a backup resource. It should be protected so that we are NOT in a true emergency situation if our primary water source is impaired in any manner.

Putting this community resource at risk without vital economic or social need seems short-sighted for a county who has been far smarter about growth and development than many of our neighboring counties (in both MD and VA). I am not adverse to development, I am adverse to unnecessary, commercial development for its own sake. The residents of Clarksburg and others deserve a town center that immediately serves their needs. This is where the focus of our conversations and planning should be at this time.

Preserving this last best creek has so many scientific, social, environmental and economic benefits that far outweigh residential/commercial development in the long run.

Thank you for your thoughtful work on this committee and leadership.

Regards,

Jennifer Judd Hinrichs

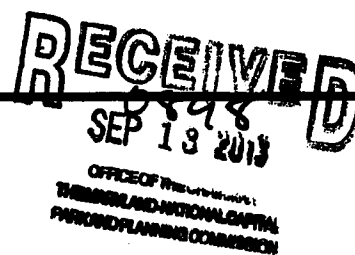
MC Resident and business owner

- Stop sprawl from damaging the Ten Mile Creek Watershed, which is critical to our region's groundwater supply and home to varied and diverse wildlife.

Jennifer Judd Hinrichs  
**Montgomery County Resident**  
301-219-6249

**Garcia, Joyce**

**From:** Terrill North <terrillnorth@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2013 2:38 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** On Clarksburg Development



Chair Carrier:

Thank you for your efforts to find solutions for Clarksburg development that work for the community. I support the Save Ten Mile Creek Coalition's efforts to protect the emergency water supply for Montgomery County. I also support the efforts of the Livable Clarksburg Coalition to focus development creating a community-scale Town Center, as opposed to threatening the creek.

Specifically, I am concerned that density will be increased in a car-dependant manner because of the lack of transit infrastructure and that the creek will not be protected from all sorts of runoff pollution. I also support placing the most ecologically-sensitive parcels into the Ag Reserve.

Regards,

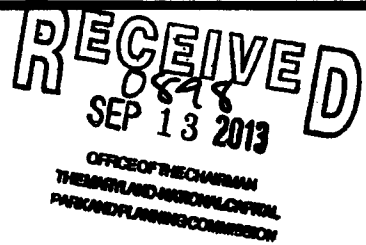
Terrill North  
Board Member, Silver Spring Green  
Board VP, ALCU of Maryland  
(for identification purposes only)



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**From:** Bonnie Bell <bonnielbell@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2013 2:25 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek



Dear Planning Board Members,

Twenty years ago, I discovered the beauty that is the Ten Mile Creek area while kayaking on Little Seneca Lake. I later learned that the reason the lake level was sometimes suddenly lower than it was on my previous visit was because the water had been released to supply critical drinking water for WSSC.

I was pleased to learn that the planned development for this area would be re-evaluated for adverse effects on stream quality. I hike extensively on natural surface trails along Great Seneca Creek (940 miles so far in 2013) and have seen firsthand the continual slow degradation of that waterway, even in the upstream areas near the Ag Reserve, where there is limited impervious surface.

There is no question in my mind: even with the best storm water management techniques, development degrades streams. We cannot afford to allow this to happen to our last high quality stream in the County. I urge you to limit the level of impervious surface allowed in this area critical to a healthy environment and a sustainable source of clean drinking water reserves.

Thank you for your attention.

Best regards,

Bonnie Bell  
20809 Bell Bluff Rd.  
Gaithersburg MD 20879

**Garcia, Joyce**

**From:** Antonio Carrillo <amcarrillo4@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 10:08 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Save Ten Mile Creek

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Dear Chairperson

I urge the board to reconsider the development of the Ten Mile Creek watershed. As a water monitor for ANS at Ten Mile Creek, I have experienced first hand the pristine conditions of the watershed. Risking our water supply and not following through on what was promised to the residents of Clarksburg is irresponsible. Please, preserve the watershed if not for us, then for future generations who will depend on us for the future stewardship of our natural resources.

Sincerely,

Antonio  
Sent from my nifty fifty iPad

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**From:** Janice Browne <janicebro@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 12:39 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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Ms. Carrier:

I am writing to urge the Planning Board to DO THE RIGHT THING for Montgomery County: Protect the Ten Mile Creek Watershed by preventing development in its headwaters. This is so critical to the entire region's groundwater supply. And especially after destroying so much forest with the Intercounty Connector, please let's not deal another harsh blow to our recreational green space and wildlife habitat. It's so much more important and sensible to build out the Clarksburg Town Center.

Please pay close attention to the scientists, for the benefit of both current and future citizens.

Thank you for your attention,  
Janice Browne  
809 Islington Street  
Silver Spring, MD 20910

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**From:** Charlotte Fremaux <cmfremaux@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 11:57 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Please protect the source for D.C. residents' emergency water & our environment

Dar Ms. Carrier:

Sprawl development plans threaten the pristine Ten Mile Creek, which feeds Little Seneca Reservoir – the emergency drinking water supply for 4.3 million Washington, DC area residents. Sprawl development is not sustainable development, as it lacks a coordinated, conservation-minded approach to both meeting the needs of citizens and protecting our environment.

Build instead a vibrant Clarksburg Town Center, where citizens have been waiting *nearly two decades* for promised amenities. Centralize development to allow communities to limit their negative impact on the environment.

It is no longer wise for communities to develop anything without regard for sustainability and protecting the surrounding environment. The fate of threatened species is our eventual fate, as well. Stop sprawl from damaging the Ten Mile Creek Watershed, which is critical to our region's groundwater supply and home to varied and diverse wildlife.

Thank you for considering my views.

Regards,  
Charlotte Fremaux  
301-404-8639

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**From:** Anne Datko <datkoa@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 11:57 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** ten mile creek

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Hey, let's stop the sprawl waaayyy out there where our water potentially comes from, far from transportation, using up pristine land and build in the city instead!

Anne Datko

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**From:** Kate McGee <kate\_mcgee@me.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 12:08 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Stop sprawl from damaging Ten-Mile Creek

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Dear Ms Carrier

Stop sprawl from damaging Ten-Mile Creek And our drinking water! Oppose more development Thank you

Sincerely  
Kate McGee  
10227 Big Rock  
SS, MD 20901

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**From:** brenda freeman <brenda\_freeman2002@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 12:19 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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Dear Ms. Carrier:

Your decision is an important one and will permanently impact the quality of life in Maryland and Montgomery's County. For this reason, I urge to protect our area's drinking water. Ten Mile Creek feeds Little Seneca Reservoir, the emergency drinking water supply for 4.3 million Washington, DC area residents. I urge you to stop developer's driven sprawl from damaging the Ten Mile Creek Watershed. The watershed is critical to our region's groundwater supply and home to varied and diverse wildlife.

Also, Montgomery County has an obligation to honor its promises to its citizens to build a vibrant Clarksburg Town Center. Citizens have been promised amenities for nearly two decades. This is shameful and speaks volumes about the quality of county government. I urge you make a healthy environment and the citizen's interests a priority.

Sincerely,

Brenda Freeman  
1220 Dale Drive  
Silver Spring, MD 20910

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**From:** Jane Engle <42engle@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 11:52 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Cc:** Diane Cameron  
**Subject:** "Save Ten Mile Creek"

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Please protect our clean water supply by denying growth in Ten Mile Creek's watershed and promote building in Clarksburg which has been promised a town center according to the Master Plan. We need "smart growth", not growth that will degrade our drinking water.

Thank you for your time.

Jane Engle



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**From:** Sherry Marshall <sherry@onlyifitsfun.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 1:27 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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Count me among the many people who believe in the importance of protecting Ten Mile Creek.

Please do the right thing for our environment. Once done, the damage is irreparable.

Thank you.

*Sherry*

Sherry Marshall  
12924 Circle Drive  
Rockville, MD 20850  
301-309-9665  
301-802-8449 (cell)

*"Nobody cares if you can't dance, just get up and dance."*

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**From:** Bonnie Coe <bcoe1@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 1:34 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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Dear Chairwoman Carrier:

Please act to protect our area's drinking water and build the promised Clarksburg Town Center. We all need to do whatever we can to build smart and stop sprawl from damaging the Ten Mile Creek Watershed.

Thank you for listening,

Bonnie Coe [Bcoe1@verizon.net](mailto:Bcoe1@verizon.net)

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**From:** JOHN PURNELL <johnapurnell@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 2:27 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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Dear Ms. Carrier,

I am a Bethesda resident and frequent visitor to Ten Mile Creek and Black Hill Park.

I am writing to urge you to protect Ten Mile Creek from the almost certain damage that the proposed housing development would cause. Further development in that area should be channelled instead to Clarksburg Town Center, where the effects would be positive for both residents and the environment.

Please take the long view of what is good for Montgomery County and turn down this proposed development.

Sincerely,

John A. Purnell

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**From:** Barbara Scharman <bjmscharman@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 3:09 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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Dear Ms. Carrier,

Please protect Ten Mile Creek and its watershed, important to our drinking water supply, from sprawl. Concentrate development in the Town Center to provide Clarksburg residents with the amenities they need.

Thank you.

Barbara Scharman  
Kensington, MD

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**From:** Alyce Ortuzar <farmparity@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 3:59 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Opposition to the Ten Mile Creek Limited Master Plan Amendment,

**TO:** Montgomery County Planning Board  
**RE:** Opposition to Any Development in Ten Mile Creek

**FROM:** Alyce Ortuzar, P.O. Box 312, Ashton, MD 20861, (301)774.6617

Efforts to defeat the development of such a pristine and beautiful county treasure is a battle that should not have to be fought. There is so much evidence of harm to water sources and to our quality of life from unbridled development, rhetoric that this beautiful site will not be diminished deserves no credibility. Nor do the supporters of this development.

I have seen presentations on how development in Rockville impaired the Watts Branch, which has never recovered. This disregard for water quality and for pristine common areas that should be preserved as the commons for present and future residents must stop while we have resources and sites to preserve. Destroying them all is not what "educated" and thinking people do.

I have seen the clearcut areas near Ten mile Creek, and it is very apparent what will happen to this creek. One picture of a completely deforested site with no vegetation or life left on it is worth one thousand words and lies.

It is really time for taxpayers to reject new and higher fees imposed to clean up the Bay, until those in charge reject developments such as this one that continue to degrade what is left of quality water sources and pristine natural resources.

To The Planning Board,

This Ten Mile Creek Limited Master Plan Amendment is unacceptable because it will allow development to degrade Ten Mile Creek and thus destroy the quality of our drinking water and this wonderful site.

**Garcia, Joyce**

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**From:** Jamie Haney <jhaney8@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 11:08 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair; MCP-CR  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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Madam Chair:

I am sorry to burden you with another point concerning clean drinking water. My property is adjacent to the Pulte property and I am on a well. Everyone in this part of the county is on well. I do not know where the source of my water is, nor do I know where it flows to. We would all be very much put out if our water were contaminated.

Johnny Haney  
14611 West Old Baltimore Road  
Boys, MD 20841  
301-916-8038

**Garcia, Joyce**

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**From:** Michael Bucci <bucci114@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 5:14 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** 10 mile creek

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Once it's gone, it's gone forever and can never be returned to what it was. Please protect our water.

Sent from my iPad

**Garcia, Joyce**

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**From:** David Dunnell <usafddunnell@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 7:56 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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To Whom It May Concern,

My name is David Dunnell and I am a 29 year old male. I lived in Montgomery County for the first 22 years of my life. I joined the United States Air Force and returned to Montgomery County in 2011. I thought I noticed a great deal of development when I was growing up all those first 22 years and I now see (and feel) more of that development's impact; not only in Kensington, my home town, but on the summer streets of D.C. as well...

WSCC and other utility companies (like PEPCO's outsourced tree management) get away with minor to major environmental infractions while performing "maintenance" and from what I've seen around the county; our ENTIRE COUNTY has issues from storm water management to other basic infrastructure issues.

How, with all this in light, are you going to provide to Clarksburg what it was promised YEARS AGO???

There was also a commitment made in our country in the 1970's. I urge you to PLEASE:

- Protect our area's drinking water. Ten Mile Creek feeds Little Seneca Reservoir, the emergency drinking water supply for 4.3 million Washington, DC area residents.
- Build instead a vibrant Clarksburg Town Center, where citizens have been waiting *nearly two decades* for promised amenities.
- Stop sprawl from damaging the Ten Mile Creek Watershed, which is critical to our region's groundwater supply and home to varied and diverse wildlife.

I had also thought that Maryland always had more to offer in farming, fishing, culture and education, rather than cities and 24 hour entertainment.

Sincerely,  
A very concerned David A. Dunnell



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**From:** Adrienne Nicosia <anicosia123@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 7:59 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Save Ten Mile Creek

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Dear Planning Board,

The crucial need to save Ten Mile Creek has been a serious concern of mine for the past year. No technical measures, no matter how new-fangled, can truly mitigate the polluting effects of development on such a scale as planned in such a sensitive watershed. A precious environmental treasure and the safety of the backup watershed is being sacrificed for the profit of a very few.

Do the right thing and recommend against destroying the ecosystem of Ten Mile Creek.

Adrienne Nicosia, Ron Nicosia, Andrew Nicosia  
Concerned Citizens of Montgomery County  
Employee of Montgomery College

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**From:** mary knight <purrna2go@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 6:57 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** ten mile creek

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Madame Chair:

I concur with the opinion of the ANS and councilmember Marc Elrich regarding Ten Mile Creek preservation and policies. I have long worked with and admired ANS' goals (since 1970) and took art lessons privately in Clarksburg in the early 1970s; I am familiar with the area. I currently reside in Montgomery County, next to parkland. I often speak to Parks personnel about the forest and it's importance. I live in a watershed area, along Rock Creek. I studied water in our creeks as a student at UMCP. I have worked with Rock Creek Conservancy in clean ups. I am privileged to do so. It is a privilege and obligation to speak up for Ten Mile Creek, its critical importance now and for unknowing future generations who depend on our decision now.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mary Knight  
Kensington, Maryland

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**From:** Lynne Knox <lynneknox@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 8:47 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Please protect and save Ten Mile Creek

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Chere Madame Chair Francoise Carrier:

Please protect and save Ten Mile Creek. You have heard all the arguments in favor of this, and in favor of supporting a true Clarksburg Center. I add my voice to those you have already heard.

Sincerely,  
Lynne Knox  
Goshen Road  
Gaithersburg, Maryland

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**From:** Ellen Gordon <ellen@gordonballard.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 10, 2013 11:24 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Phase 4 Clarksburg Development/Ten Mile Creek

I am writing in opposition of the proposed outlet mall and huge housing development proposed for the Phase 4 area of Clarksburg. I live in the Ag Reserve, a couple of miles away from this proposal; even the scaled-back staff proposal will be a disaster of many dimensions. It will not only work against a "walkable" Clarksburg, it will be a traffic disaster, and it will forever damage the "last, best creek" in Montgomery County. It will have long term impacts on drinking water—both for those served by surface water, because of the deleterious effects it will cause in the reservoir in Boyds, it will also damage the Piedmont Aquifer, sole source of drinking water for any of us with wells.

To be honest, I cannot see where anyone except the developer benefits if this development goes forward, even at the staff-recommended level. How can the short-term financial benefit to a corporation outweigh the long term negatives that will ripple through the region—and through time?

Ellen Gordon  
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**From:** Gay Gellhorn <gaygellhorn@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 10, 2013 7:23 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Re: public comment against amending Clarksburg Master Plan

September 10, 2013

Planning Board of Montgomery County  
c/o Chair Françoise Carrier, Esq.  
via e-mail [mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org](mailto:mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org)  
8787 Georgia Avenue  
Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

Dear Members of the Planning Board:

During this public comment period, I write concerning the Public Hearing Draft of the *Limited Amendment to the Clarksburg Master Plan—Ten Mile Creek Area*.

For those of us living outside the Clarksburg area, the conversation and our views are nevertheless important. We are all stewards of water. My husband and I drink well water from the aquifer that underlies our part of Montgomery County and we are thus particularly mindful of the significance of the quality of water drawn from the land where we live.

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Everything I have read about the pros and cons of modifying the Clarksburg Master Plan leads me to conclude that the amendment will further degrade water quality, habitat required for ecological balance, and potable water. We cannot take more risk with our water.

I appreciate your service as Commissioners of the Planning Board. You hold so much responsibility for the stewardship of water. Please recommend against the Clarksburg Master Plan amendment.

Sincerely yours,

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**From:** Gay Gellhorn  
**To:** [mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org](mailto:mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 10, 2013 7:21 AM  
**Subject:** public comment against amending Clarksburg Master Plan

Potomac, Maryland  
September 10, 2013

Planning Board of Montgomery County  
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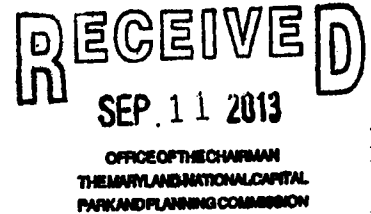
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**From:** Linda Keenan <Linda\_S\_Keenan@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 10, 2013 8:20 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek Area Limited Amendment - testimony



Hello,

I was signed up to testify at the hearing tonight but couldn't stay until the end. Following is my testimony.

Thank you.

Linda S. Keenan  
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### **Testimony before the Montgomery County Planning Board - September 10, 2013**

#### **Re: Planning Board Draft 10 Mile Creek Area Limited Amendment –Clarksburg Master Plan and Hyattstown Special Study Area**

I'm here to urge that we make a commitment to protecting what remains of the natural environment in Montgomery County. The people-centric reason is to protect the groundwater, our backup water supply and reduce the effects of stormwater runoff. The all-species reason is to protect the habitat for plants and wildlife.

Ten Mile Creek has been identified as an important but fragile watershed:

#### **p. 18 staff report on the 10 Mile Creek Area Limited Amendment**

This Plan recommends an extensive level of environmental mitigation because all of the environmental studies done as part of this Master Plan process have identified Ten Mile Creek as a fragile stream due to its delicate ecosystem, low base flow, and highly erodible stream banks. In this respect, Ten Mile Creek differs from other streams in the study Area and merits special consideration.

#### **p. 23 staff report on the 10 Mile creek Area Limited Amendment**

Overall, Ten Mile Creek was ranked as the most important watershed because it had the best or most extensive natural resources and the highest potential for undesirable development effects.

Development in the headwaters of Ten Mile Creek will remove habitat and add impervious surfaces. There are a dozen species of forest interior dwelling birds in the watershed's forests. We should maintain the habitat for those birds along with the salamanders, box turtles, mammals and plant life. I support the recommendation of the Save Ten Mile Creek Coalition to permanently protect the forest cover by placing land in the Agricultural Reserve and purchasing land through the Legacy Open Space program.

Thank you.

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**From:** James Karn <jamierkarn@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 10, 2013 7:30 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Protect 10 Mile Creek

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Current plans for massive development near Clarksburg (up I-270 past Germantown) threaten Ten-Mile Creek and fail to deliver on earlier promises to Clarksburg citizens for transit, shopping and schools. The proposed plan is an inherently flawed compromise founded in a the false premise that developer profits and a clean watershed are of equal value.

The Planning Board's highest responsibility is to preserve our natural resources so that the quality of life in the county will not inevitably deteriorate as our watershed bio-diversity, water quality and forest quality do. The Planning staff and Board must revise the Limited Master Plan for the Ten Mile Creek Watershed in order to make water quality protection its preeminent objective. This includes protection of the Little Seneca Reservoir and particularly the Ten Mile Creek Watershed as a critical drinking water supply and protection of Ten Mile Creek as a reference stream of countywide significance. Setting this watershed protection as the preeminent objective of water quality protection and the masterplan will then lead to the necessary land use planning steps and tools that will protect vital headwater issues and quality of life in Montgomery County.

Thank you.



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**From:** Laurence of Suburbia <larroburbs@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 10, 2013 4:26 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Cc:** dcameron@audubonnaturalist.or  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek



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Francoise Carrier  
Chair, Planning Board  
Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission - Montgomery County

Dear Ms. Carrier:

I respectfully urge you and the Board to protect Montgomery County's last, best creek. The best approach is to protect its headwaters, and the east part of the watershed. (The west side is protected by the Agricultural Reserve.) At the same time, development of the unfinished Clarksburg Town Center and market space should go forward, rather than allowing more sprawl around this fragile water source. The creek is an important source of drinking water in the county, via the reservoir downstream.

The Save Ten Mile Coalition wants Option #7 cited in their June 2013 report to be adopted by the Board. Zero development would be ideal, but Option 7 "would fully protect the creek by conserving the lands most critical to its health, by placing a 4% cap on total watershed imperviousness, and by placement of much of the still rural land into the Ag Reserve." This plan would allow for the least amount of stream degradation. Other plans would permit degradation of Ten Mile Creek to the point of no return.

To quote Royce Hanson's letter of September 28, 2012 in the Washington Post:

"The council should authorize the Planning Board to prepare a master plan amendment that recognizes the findings of the watershed studies, proposes policies that can protect the Ten Mile Creek watershed and establishes science-based caps on impervious surfaces in the watershed — especially in its headwaters. The board should also take measures to achieve development of the approved Clarksburg Town Center's community and market center. Combining rural land and stream protection with effective density levels and amenities in its town center would make Clarksburg the smart-growth model the master plan intended it to be."

Ten Mile Creek should be preserved. Thank you for reading this.

Sincerely,  
Laurence Patlen  
10500 Rockville Pike # 417  
Rockville MD 20852

CC: D. Cameron - Audubon Naturalist Society

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**From:** David Mosher <davidmosher1@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 10, 2013 3:37 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Clarksburg Master Plan and Hyattstown Special Study Area - 10 Mile Creek Area Limited Amendment

Dear Planning Board Chair Carrier,

I am writing to urge you to do everything you can to prevent development in the Clarksburg area from degrading water quality in Ten Mile Creek and Little Seneca Reservoir. Ten Mile Creek is more than just another beautiful stream. It is a critical part of the Montgomery County ecosystem. As the Planning Board staff report specifically notes, it is particularly sensitive to development. The plans proposed in the Board staff report would have the following effects:

1. Critical headwaters of Ten Mile Creek would be destroyed by development. Although the staff attempts to minimize building in some areas, the plan is not sufficient to protect these areas.
2. Ten Mile Creek over-all will degrade from a Good-to-Excellent rating in the County Department of Environmental Protection's biological stream rating system, to Fair or Poor, affecting the regional emergency water supply;
3. Ten Mile Creek will suffer – its biodiversity will decline – so that it will no longer serve as a reference stream, thus depriving Montgomery County of its ecological barometer for measuring the health of other County waterways;
4. Heavy loads of additional sediment will be dumped into the lower portion of Ten Mile Creek and into Little Seneca Reservoir itself
5. The most sensitive and highest quality portions of Ten Mile Creek - subwatersheds 110 and 111 - will be ruined. If the current staff draft is approved as now written, hard surfaces will increase in those areas by about 400 percent, critically endangering the creek.
6. Little Seneca Reservoir is a critical water supply for the Washington DC area. It has been used twice as a backup water supply in recent years, and was prepared for use a third time. Due to increasingly severe drought cycles, the Little Seneca Reservoir is more important than ever before.

It is possible to protect Ten Mile Creek and still deliver needed services in Clarksburg. We ask that the Planning Board live up to its mandate to provide adequate protection for the County's last pristine waterway.

Montgomery County has dozens of impaired streams due to our past acceptance of developers' overpromises and failed design and engineering 'solutions'. Two of these damaged waterways are the other tributaries to the Little Seneca Reservoir, the region's emergency drinking water supply. This makes appropriate protection of Ten Mile Creek all the more critical.

I urge you to revise the Limited Master Plan for the Ten Mile Creek Watershed in order to make water quality protection its preeminent objective. Thank you for giving this important matter your utmost priority.

Sincerely,

David Mosher

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Gaithersburg, MD 20878

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**From:** Weswell333@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, September 09, 2013 10:01 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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I have lived in Clarksburg for over 40 years, and have witnessed thousands of acres of healthy cropland and watershed being lost, especially during the last 20 years. I am 83 and will be gone before the proposed developments take effect. Yet, I have to ask: after Ten Mile Creek is spoiled, then where? It has to stop sometime: maybe 10 years, maybe 50, after all is spoiled. Why not now?

After some point, there is no more "Smart Growth;" all growth is harmful; like another growth - cancer.

Wesley D. Maxwell  
23909 Stringtown Road  
Clarksburg, Md 20871

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**From:** Kathy Rushing <kk1015@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 09, 2013 4:47 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Cc:** county.council@montgomerycountymd.gov  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

Chair Francoise Carrier  
Montgomery County Planning Commission  
8787 Georgia Ave.  
Silver Spring, MD 20910  
[mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org](mailto:mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org)

Dear Chair Carrier and Commissioners:

My husband and I have lived in Montgomery County for 40 years and have always been so proud of our county's progressive policies regarding land use planning. When I was working toward my masters in social work in the late 1990s, one of my textbooks featured Montgomery County as a national example of good planning both for the environment and the people who lived there. It is my great hope that you will continue this tradition by recommending that Ten Mile Creek be protected from intensive development.

I began working in the national environmental movement shortly after the first Earth Day in 1969 and I am now president of the board of directors of the regional Audubon Naturalist Society (ANS). ANS was founded in 1897 and is not affiliated with any national group. In the 1960s, Rachel Carson, a resident of Silver Spring and an ardent environmentalist and scientist, served on our board of directors. Carson's science-based approach to environmental advocacy that is embodied in her seminal book *Silent Spring* should serve as a beacon for all who make decisions on land use in this county and country. (Of course, there are those who are still trying to discredit Carson and her ideas without any basis in fact. The truth is that her ideas and approach were and are so powerful and science-based that they still resonate and have relevance fifty years later.)

In all my time on this earth and all the time I worked for environmental groups both as a staff member and as a volunteer, I have never heard anyone express regret that a natural resource was protected. In fact, the resources we have protected over the past 50 years through national legislation (NEPA, Endangered Species Act, Clean Water Act, Clean Air Act, Alaskan Lands Act, to name but a few) and through wise local stewardship seem ever more precious as more and more land is lost to development both here and in other countries. I *have* heard a number of laments over resources that were lost forever.

Please, please protect Ten Mile Creek and its headwaters from intense development. Once a natural area is paved over or compromised it is almost impossible to restore it to anything like its former state. A shopping mall and housing development can be located somewhere else. A stream cannot

be relocated. Please consider the science, the compromise to our emergency drinking water supply, and the inherent value of a pristine stream in a county where none other exist.

What will be most proud of 50 years from now: that we allowed another huge development to be built in sensitive environmental areas or that we protected a beautiful stream that provides habitat for fish, plants, and wildlife and water for humans? I know what legacy I want left to my little grandchildren, who live in the Damascus area.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Most sincerely,  
Kathryn Rushing  
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Silver Spring, MD 20904  
301-236-6809

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**From:** avorce@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, September 09, 2013 5:33 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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Dear Chair Carrier,

As economists with strong track records supporting the need to strike an optimal balance for clean water, jobs, housing and growth, we are writing in support of the Audubon Naturalist Society's position to limit the deleterious effects of development on Ten Mile Creek.

In coming to a decision, we trust that the Planning Board can and will weigh what balance of development and water security is in the public interest.

While jobs, housing and growth are certainly critical in this (or any) economy, we must not lose sight of the fact that clean water of the quality at Ten Mile Creek is fast disappearing and that in our lifetime, the search for good drinking water will increasingly pose a major challenge for fiscal authorities and our health professionals. Even now, we are observing problems among aquatic life in our waterways that scientists do not understand. As a consequence, our water authorities cannot screen for and filter these problems, so we are drinking water which may harm us.

So you are facing a difficult, complex decision. While it seems that the project proposed will generate profits for its developers and income for local retailers involved (although perhaps not as much as estimates publicized so far suggest - we question the reliability of the multipliers), there will be a cost - and it will be high. This Creek is so special that it can be said without exaggeration that a critical public good is at stake. What the Planning Board decides will reverberate long into the future.

Thank you for your consideration.

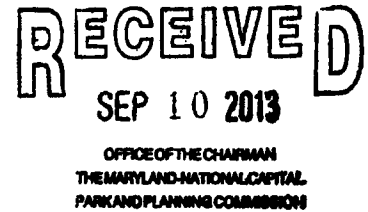
Sincerely,

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**From:** Sally Long <sally@hsc.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 09, 2013 7:01 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair; County.council@montgomerycountymd.gov  
**Cc:** LiveableClarksburg@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Clarksburg Mater Plan



Dear All --

My husband and I bought land in Clarksburg, MD, over 26 years ago, and immediately built a lovely home we thought would be free from the typical urban sprawl. Unfortunately, it only took a couple of very short decades to ruin everything from the roads, communities, and farms, to the schools and quiet lifestyles we once enjoyed all in the name of "progress"?! We have malls and even outlets within a very short driving distance, and to place more in Clarksburg is not only a waste, but just pure greed -- greed from the developers to the county who think this kind of "progress" will benefit all -- it won't!!

We live on the northern most tip of Clarksburg, and travel south to our jobs, church, and family gatherings daily, and the traffic changes that we have seen over the years are obscene. How can you even consider approving Stage 4 until stages 1, 2, & 3 are completed??? We need relief from the traffic congestion, not more.

How many times do we have to learn the hard way that ruining our natural water ways, like Ten Mile Creek, is the wrong way to 'improve' our community, our county?! Nothing that the developers or engineers can build or plan will ever replace the clean and natural drinking water we currently enjoy from our reservoir!

Believe it or not, but neither Clarksburg nor Northern Montgomery County is the 'Golden Goose,' the answer to MoCo's problems or plans.

Please, please, PLEASE stop the over development! Remember... slow and steady wins the race!

Thank you for your time and serious consideration.

Sincerely,

Kim and Sara Long  
Clarksburg, MD



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**From:** Cathy Wiss <cjwiss@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 09, 2013 1:19 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** The Ten Mile Creek watershed must be preserved to ensure adequate, clean drinking water for our region

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OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN  
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Dear Chair Carrier,

I was born in Essex County, New Jersey, the second most densely-populated county in the nation's most densely-populated state. Yet the area where I grew up was surrounded by forested land with streams running through it. Signs warned "No Trespassing -- Water Supply." This was the watershed of one of the many reservoirs that dot Essex County. During the 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> century, municipalities in Essex County had the foresight to acquire large tracts of land to preserve the waters flowing into their reservoirs so that residents could have a permanent source of good, clean drinking water. Since then, the population has increased several times over, but everyone has enough water to drink. The watersheds remain undeveloped to this day, protecting the drinking water for generations to come.

Growing up, I simply assumed that everyone's drinking water would be protected like this because it is vital to life, well-being, and yes, our economy. So, I was surprised to learn that under this Master Plan, significant development is being considered for the Ten Mile Creek watershed, even though it feeds into Little Seneca Reservoir, the emergency drinking water supply for the greater Washington region. I applaud the request of the Department of Parks to designate high quality critical forests and open space in the Ten Mile Creek watershed as a Legacy Open Space Natural Resource, but this does not go far enough to protect our drinking water. Many critical water resources, forests, and steep slopes both east and west of I-270 would not be protected under this draft amendment. Seeps and springs would be obliterated; forests would be stripped; and slopes regraded and paved over for commercial and residential development, damaging the geologic structure that allows rain to percolate into the ground water. Why are these watershed lands not being preserved for future generations, who will need water to drink? Doesn't good planning require giving priority to a critical need like the long-term availability of clean drinking water? Isn't this more important than building another outlet mall and a few houses? Will my children and grandchildren have enough water to drink when they are my age?

Land preservation and acquisition to secure a clean, adequate drinking water supply is not just an old-fashioned planning tool, it is being practiced today by other jurisdictions like New York, Boston, and the State of New Jersey as a reliable and economic way to meet this most critical need. Why is Montgomery County not doing the same for our region?

Best regards,  
Cathy Wiss

Testimony to Planning Board

For Sept. 10, 2013

My name is Julia Vickers and I live on Little Seneca Lake.

The lake spans 500 acres and it home to a myriad of wildlife. From my window I often see blue heron \, beavers, and we often see bald eagles when boating on the lake. This lake is feed by 10-mile creek and is accessible to the public for boating and fishing. I encourage those of you who haven't seen please do so before making a decision on the matter.

We are Montgomery County residents. We work hard, and we enjoy recreation. We care about our children and where we take them to play. We are intelligent and capable of making smart decisions about our environment. While growth is inevitable, smart growth is absolutely necessary. And as residents we have the ability and the right to have a say about our environment. Why do we need a shopping center the size of Rio in a clean watershed? The Clarksburg Town Center sits empty and full of weeds. It was promised to Clarksburg residents.

I've lived in Germantown for a number of years. When I first moved here there were two shopping centers. Now there are seven. Each time a new one is built the older ones move and we end up empty store windows—which is unsightly for the town and also increases the potential for crime. I don't wish this on the residents of Clarksburg. Try this simple equation—how many shopping centers are there in Montgomery County and how many wetlands are there? How many pristine creeks and lakes? While I couldn't begin to count the number of shopping centers, and there is only one creek with one creek that is still considered clean—10-Mile Creek.

Please, don't give up on this creek. It means so much to so many of us in Montgomery County. And I know it will mean a great to those who will enjoy it in the future.

Thank you.

Garcia, Joyce

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**From:** Kathleen Samiy <[ksamiy.soeca@gmail.com](mailto:ksamiy.soeca@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 09, 2013 10:25 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Clean Water & Ten Mile Creek

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Dear Chair Carrier,

Water is the Food of LIFE. Without Clean Water civil society is at undermined and vulnerable to degraded health. Polluting water is risky and unsustainable, even in our developed society.

It just takes a drop, and like osmosis, polluted water spreads an invisible epidemic of poor water policy, and short-sighted decisions that will insidiously pollute the last clean and emergency water supply for 3 million human beings. One must take a Human-Centered Approach to this fragile clean water source. In this case at Ten Mile Creek, any decision to encroach development into this watershed, is Development-Centered. One must weight the decision carefully as: a 3 million person population (that relies on clean water from Ten Mile Creek and its reservoirs) versus developers who intend to profit through building an outlet mall for a few thousand shoppers.

While we are not a 3rd world country, and you may feel that our water supply is not at risk, compromising in some fashion is not a wise option-given this is the LAST source of clean water in this jurisdiction.

In this case - for Clean Water - there should be NO Compromising, NO Negotiation, NO splitting the difference. I caution that just a drop of polluted water, brought about by approving ANY development within the Ten Mile Creek watershed, is a travesty. Like dye in water that colors an Easter egg, the color of your decision over polluting water will forever taint our clean and emergency water supply. There is no going back, we will lose our only, and last clean emergency water supply.

Please step back from this precipice and vote to Stop Development in the Ten Mile Creek watershed because it will degrade, even by a drop, our Emergency Clean Water Supply.

Sincerely,

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**From:** Kathy Westra <Kathy.Westra@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 09, 2013 5:55 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Cc:** Kathy Westra  
**Subject:** Please Protect Ten Mile Creek--and Support a Livable Clarksburg

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PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

Dear Chairwoman Carrier:

I am writing as a citizen of Montgomery County who is deeply concerned about our County's quality of life--a quality of life that is threatened by current development proposals in the Ten Mile Creek watershed in upper Montgomery County. I am also deeply concerned about the unfulfilled development promises our county government has made to the citizens of Clarksburg. These county citizens deserve better.

I know that you and other members of the Planning Board have been hearing from the developers that their plans will not harm the Ten Mile Creek ecosystem. Science tells us that they are wrong. A vote for any of the current development scenarios is a vote to degrade Ten Mile Creek's clean, biologically diverse waters. Just as certainly, a vote for the current development scenarios will be a slap in the face for the citizens of Clarksburg, who have waited so long for a livable, sustainable town center.

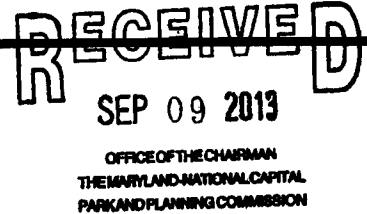
As the Planning Board votes tomorrow on the future of the Ten Mile Creek watershed, I urge you to vote for the highest level of protection for this "last best creek" in Montgomery County. Other degraded waters in upper Montgomery County attest to the fact that you will only have this one chance to do the right thing.

I urge you to vote to protect Ten Mile Creek and its watershed. Your vote to protect the creek is a vote for the health of all our citizens and a vote to preserve a clean, safe backup drinking water supply for millions of area residents.

Respectfully,  
Kathryn E. Westra  
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**From:** Diane Hibino <trihib@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 09, 2013 3:35 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Protecting Ten Mile Creek



To the Chair of the Planning Board,

Regarding Clarksburg Stage 4 development and nearby Ten Mile Creek: please have the Board keep in mind the fragility of all Montgomery watersheds when making decisions. Specifically we need to protect the Ten Mile Creek watershed as it impacts our drinking water supply. Impervious surfaces are a serious threat to water quality standards.

I've been a county resident since 1988 and while I support the development that had taken place these 25 years, I also understand the need to always balance development with environmental concerns.  
Thank you for your consideration.

Diane Hibino  
Bethesda, MD  
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**Jim Choukas-Bradley**  
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Ms. Françoise Carrier, Chair  
Montgomery County Planning Board  
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[MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org](mailto:MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org)

Re: Ten Mile Creek and the Clarksburg Master Plan

Dear Chair Carrier:

My name is Jim Choukas-Bradley. I am a resident of the Town of Chevy Chase and a property owner in Comus, near Sugarloaf Mountain in Montgomery County. For many years, beginning in 1988, my wife Melanie and I lived in Comus. We raised our two children there. We still own 70 acres of farmland and woods between Old Hundred Road and Sugarloaf Mountain, land that is under a conservation easement. We lease acreage on the farm for the production of wheat, soybeans, and corn, and we produce hay. We are also participants in the New Farmers Pilot Program initiated by the County this year, and have entered into a long-term lease with a young persimmon tree farmer for a portion of the farmland.

I have a deep and abiding love of Sugarloaf Country and the County's Agricultural Reserve, and I have long been dedicated to its preservation as productive farmland, rural open space, and a place of natural beauty.

I am an attorney by occupation, and for a number of years I served in that role for the Sugarloaf Citizens' Association. I have in the past been an officer of that Association, and am an officer now.

I have long appreciated the difficult work you do as you try to maintain a balance in your stewardship of Montgomery County. The potential amendment of the Clarksburg Master Plan poses many old challenges, and some new ones.

*I know that it is quite clear that Ten Mile Creek was, years ago, presented as a necessary backup source for the drinking water of the Washington Metropolitan Region. The reservoir into which it fed was created for that reason. The Creek and reservoir are presently serving that function, and Ten Mile Creek is the only "good/excellent" water source for that reservoir. Ten Mile Creek is the last pure stream in the County, a benchmark against which the water quality of others is measured.*

*It is difficult for me to understand how it would be appropriate to move in a new direction now. The established scientific evidence (including that relied upon by your Staff) clearly stands for the proposition that there is no degree of development on the Ten Mile Creek watershed that will not be harmful to the integrity of Ten Mile Creek and the reservoir. Until there is scientific data to support a different conclusion, I submit it would be imprudent for you to ignore the science and to act in any way contrary to it.*

*The quality of the water in Ten Mile Creek and the ecology of the Creek – indeed, the quality of the drinking water that we and those who come after us will rely on – is not worth "selling" to development interests. As so many of us are learning, water is becoming the "new gold".*

*Many people in the Agricultural Reserve rely on well water. Their wells tap into the Piedmont Sole Source Aquifer. In the past, development of 17 houses has been rejected because of the threat to the area's wells and the preservation of Ten Mile Creek. A very large parcel of land that was proposed to be turned into a golf course was purchased by the County primarily because of the threat to the Creek and to neighbors' well water. That seemed to be the course the Planning Board was committed to taking. The proposals of the developers, and, to a lesser but still significant extent, the report of your Staff, would take us all down a different course, one from which there would be no turning back for Ten Mile Creek.*

Ms. Françoise Carrier, Chair  
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*I urge you not to follow that course. Sometimes the most difficult thing to do is the right thing to do. This is such a time. I urge you to wait for more data; to wait to see what development in other areas will bring; to wait to see if there will be appropriate infrastructure brought to Clarksburg as promised. During this waiting period, please keep these headwaters as they are. I urge you to protect the needs of the vast majority of Montgomery County and the Metropolitan areas citizens. I urge you to protect Ten Mile Creek.*

*Respectfully yours,*

*James R. Choukas-Bradley*

James R. Choukas-Bradley  
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Chevy Chase, MD 20815  
and  
24130 Old Hundred Road  
Comus, MD 20842



**Lane, Brittany**

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**From:** Ann Fieldhouse <ann.fieldhouse@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 08, 2013 2:18 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

Dear Chair Francoise Carrier,

Please protect Ten Mile Creek and the region's drinking water supply.

As a resident of Silver Spring, Maryland, I've seen what has happened to the Sligo Creek watershed, Rock Creek watershed, and the Northwest Branch watershed due to acres of impervious surfaces in all of those watersheds. The development plans under consideration by the Planning Board will turn 100 acres of pristine habitat into 100 acres of impervious surfaces. Please protect the best watershed we have left in the area and the headwaters of our drinking water.

As a resident of Montgomery County, I am proud of the fact that Montgomery County had the foresight to set aside lands in an Agricultural Reserve. I believe that setting aside this land makes Montgomery County livable and improves Montgomery County residents' quality of life.

Please continue to conserve our resources, in this case, Ten Mile Creek, the Ten Mile Creek watershed and our region's drinking water supply.

Thank you,  
Ann Fieldhouse

Ann Fieldhouse  
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**From:** June Taylor <taylorjune@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 08, 2013 11:47 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek ~ ~ ~

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Dear Chair Carrier,

The development of a shopping center under Planing Board review is an inappropriate land use in an area that is the source of drinking water. Please ensure full protection of source water and water quality as you and your staff devise the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek.

Thank you for your work in keeping a high quality of life and environmental protection in Montgomery County. The two are thoroughly intertwined.

Best Regards,

June Taylor Wolcott  
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**From:** Naomi <nspinrad68@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 08, 2013 10:13 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Protect Ten Mile Creek

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Dear Chair Carrier:

I join the many individuals and organizations urging full protection of Ten Mile Creek as you and your staff devise the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek. Ten Mile Creek is a crucial part of our drinking water supply in Montgomery County and the Washington metropolitan region. Adding more than 100 acres of impervious surfaces to this watershed is not the right kind of development for this area, as it would degrade water quality. Please put the right kind of development - including transit - where it's needed in Clarksburg Town Center, not in Ten Mile Creek.

Sincerely,  
Naomi Spinrad  
4810 DeRussey Parkway  
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

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**From:** Diana Haskell <haskelldiana@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 08, 2013 7:51 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

Ms. Carrier,

I am writing to ask you to protect the Ten Mile Creek. "Medium quality" is not suitable for our region's backup water supply. Once the water has been contaminated, there is no way to undo the damage.

Thank you for listening to my concerns,

Diana Haskell  
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**From:** Carolyn <talcott2@verizon.net>  
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**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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Ms. Carrier,

Please do everything in your power to protect Tan Mile Creek from the developers who want to build anywhere near it. Please use all of your common sense and experience to understand that once the earth is torn up and left to wash away into the nearest low areas and streams, it will forever change the nature of those streams. There is no retro-fitting ruined water sources! The developers can surely make good profits in other ingenious ways. Don't, please, let them make their profits by ruining the last clean source of drinking water in our region. We're counting on you. Thank you.

Best regards,  
Carolyn Talcott

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**From:** Linda Abbott <labbott@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 06, 2013 4:12 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Cc:** LiveableClarksburg; violet@turnerstrategies.com  
**Subject:** CLARKSBURG MASTER PLAN AMMENDMENT: Please Protect Our Creek, Our Wildlife

Dear Chair Carrier:

By now you have read hundreds of letters from Clarksburg and other area residents imploring you and the other Board and County Council members to do "the right thing." To us, the residents who live in the Clarksburg/Boys area, the "right thing" is simple: **PROTECT TEN MILE CREEK.**

Development plans now being considered by the Planning Board would add more than 100 acres of hard impervious surfaces to this fragile watershed. Studies have shown that urbanization at any level degrades water quality.

Ten Mile Creek remains the only source for backup drinking water in the entire region making this the most critical issue to be decided. "In 2009, the Department of Environmental Protection completed a required evaluation and found that construction in Town Center had already degraded the water quality in the Ten Mile Creek watershed." If THAT is possible, just imagine what will happen if Pulte and/or the Peterson/Tanger developers are allowed to proceed with their plans to develop property ON TOP OF THE WATERSHED! There is nothing that can protect these fragile waters from the degree of devastation this would create.

Recent legislation has created additional incentives for developers to use so-called permeable pavement technologies. Congressman Rice believes, "It's a heckuva lot better than the asphalt and concrete we're now using." A heckuva lot better??? I'm sorry: that is simply NOT a good reason to proceed!!!

The added consequence of proceeding with any development in the Ten Mile Creek watershed will be the displacement and ultimate death of the innocent wildlife who live here. Haven't we destroyed enough of our forests, trees, open fields and water supply without regard for these creatures who do not have a voice? Where are these animals to go after they are displaced? How many more auto accidents and dead deer are we going to see along the roads and highways because they are being chased from their homes?

**The responsible plan for Ten Mile Creek is to add it in it's entirety to the Agricultural Reserve so it will be there when we need it and be forever protected from any future debate or development.**

The Ten Mile Creek issue is separate and apart from the Clarksburg Town Center. Proceed with the completion of the Town Center and other amenities residents were promised when they purchased their homes and that they counted on for a quality of life they were seeking and could not find elsewhere. This project can and should proceed now before residents begin moving out of the area and, potentially, leave a vast, empty expanse ripe for deterioration and crime. The completion of Town Center IS NOT AND SHOULD NOT be dependent on any other issue currently on the table.

Two outlet malls??? **We do not want, nor do we need any mega malls in Clarksburg!!!** Aside from creating a traffic disaster for residents on our already-clogged roads, the unmitigated destruction to the Ten Mile Creek watershed would be reckless and unconscionable. Congressman Rice thinks having two outlet malls in Clarksburg would be a "huge win...It's great because it just shows how many folks really are vested in seeing that Clarksburg is a burgeoning area, a great place to set up shop." The ONLY folks who are vested in seeing this happen are the developers who do not have our best interests at heart and the NIMBY folks who live outside of the Clarksburg/Boys area. "People aren't looking for an outlet mall. They're looking for a grocery store, a dry cleaner, a place to get their hair cut, a place to pick up a sandwich..."

The council will vote on recommendations from the Planning Board in October prior to the 2014 elections. The future of Ten Mile Creek is TOO IMPORTANT to be placed on any calendar, especially a political calendar! This should NOT be a political

issue: it should be a human and humane issue not dictated by a date on the calendar. The Little Seneca Reservoir has already been used due to low water levels in the Potomac during the severe droughts in 1999 and 2002.

Please, choose to ensure we will continue to have good quality water in the future when we need it.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this very critical issue.

Linda Abbott  
15500 Branch Hill Road  
Boys, MD 20841

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**From:** Tina Brown <tinathiemebrown@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 06, 2013 1:51 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Cc:** Montgomery County Council Council  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek and Clarksburg Proposed Development

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September 6, 2013

Clarksburg Master Plan Amendments and Ten Mile Creek:

Dear Planning Board Chair and Montgomery County Council:

I am a resident of Montgomery County's Agriculture Reserve. Living in the Reserve has sharpened my focus on the natural resources I rely upon, in my Barnesville home and Art Studio, especially the limits of our well water.

Our well has gone dry, so I am keenly aware that water is not to be taken for granted. The connection between seasonal weather patterns, periods of drought and the availability of water in the well, are all interrelated. New large-scale development within the boundaries of our Sole Source Aquifer is also directly related to how freely my water flows.

This well water experience as well as a sense of civic responsibility to protect our natural resources has focused my attention on the Development Proposals for the Clarksburg Master Plan, and their potential impact on Ten Mile Creek.

Ten Mile Creek flows into the Emergency Water Supply for Montgomery County residents. Therefore any potential negative impact to the viability of that water supply is a responsibility that you should not take lightly. Consider, how you would explain to future generations that an outlet mall was worth endangering their emergency water supply?

I first discovered Ten Mile Creek when I lived down county. I trained as a water quality monitor with Audubon Naturalist Society, so that I could better understand the difference between a healthy stream and one that is depleted and degraded after development nearby has created erosion and runoff pollution. Ten Mile Creek was the gold standard during my training, by which other streams were compared.

The lack of oxygen at another stream in Montgomery County, next to the Friendship Heights Irene building and Somerset neighborhood illustrates what development can do to a stream. This stream was classified as a dead zone from the development and associated impervious surface nearby. As development in Friendship Heights and Somerset increased, the stream banks further eroded, and hotter water and pollution altered the stream.

Water quality monitoring at both sites illustrated the difference between species diversity, oxygen



levels, and ph levels at the Somerset stream and Ten Mile Creek. The Somerset stream had very little species diversity, a muddy murky water quality that was starved of oxygen, and hot. The opposite was on display at the undeveloped Ten Mile Creek site, as we measured and observed Oxygen levels, Ph levels, Species Diversity and Habitat Structure in the Stream.

Ten Mile Creek is a rare, pristine natural resource in Montgomery County. The tree canopy is deep enough to provide the cool shade needed for micro invertebrates, amphibians and a host of other species; the impervious surface (concrete) is far enough away so that there isn't a hot rush of storm water when it rains creating murky muddy water. What you have at Ten Mile Creek is a cool water temperature with the right velocity for a diverse aquatic community.

People visit Ten Mile Creek for the gentle rush of water over a variety of rocks, pebbles and sandy surfaces. The stories vary among naturalists and county residents who want to take their families for a walk in a place that feels far removed from the daily urban experience. For all of them this place is well known and treasured. The scientists who have conducted studies on the species diversity in this intact natural resource have excellent data to confirm that this is an uncommon, pristine natural resource.

Clarksburg residents have had more than their share of Master Plan promises made and not kept. Now, they are faced with yet another large-scale development proposal in the Clarksburg area, that doesn't address their needs. Please don't vote for this large scale development proposal in the Clarksburg Master Plan Amendment. If you are buying into the Developers' reassurance that there is no risk to the Ten Mile Creek watershed, I ask you to consider their interest and scientific credibility.

On behalf of those who know the Ten Mile Creek watershed: naturalists and scientists who study it, families who recreate there, and future generations of families yet to discover it, say no to the Clarksburg Master Plan Amendment.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

Tina Thieme Brown

18201 Barnesville Road

Barnesville, MD 20838

Sugarloaf Citizens Association, Board Member

Montgomery Countryside Alliance, Board Member

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**From:** Chris Weiss <cweiss@dcen.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 06, 2013 11:46 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Testimony for Ten Mile Creek Watershed Clarksburg Limited Master Plan  
**Attachments:** DCEN Chris Weiss TESTIMONY 9 10 13.pdf

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Please find written testimony for your September 10<sup>th</sup> public hearing on the Clarksburg Limited Master Plan for the Ten Mile Creek watershed.

Please confirm your receipt of my testimony.

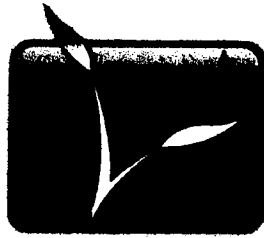
Thank you so much for giving me an opportunity to share the Network's views.

Chris

**Chris Weiss** | Executive Director | DC Environmental Network | Global Green USA  
Office (202) 754-7088 | Skype: cpweissdc | 1100 15<sup>th</sup> Street NW, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor | Washington, DC 20005 | [www.dcen.net](http://www.dcen.net)

*"The man [and hopefully Ben meant women too!] who does things makes many mistakes, but he never makes the biggest mistake of all - doing nothing." - Benjamin Franklin*

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*"From towns, factories, and stockyards, wastes pollute our rivers and streams, endangering the waters we drink and use. The debris of civilization litters the landscapes and spoils the beaches. Conservation's concern now is not only for man's enjoyment—but for man's survival."*

*- Lyndon B. Johnson, 36th President of the United States*

**WRITTEN TESTIMONY**

**Public Hearing Draft Clarksburg Limited Master Plan  
for the Ten Mile Creek Watershed**

**Chris Weiss  
Executive Director  
D.C. Environmental Network**

**September 10, 2013**

Thank you for accepting my written testimony on the current staff draft of the Limited Master Plan for the Ten Mile Creek Watershed.

I am Chris Weiss and I am the Executive Director at the District of Columbia Environmental Network (DCEN). The DC Environmental Network, founded in 1996 — is working toward a vision of rebuilding the Washington metro region for long-term economic stability — accomplishing this by promoting sustainability principles that help protect and restore our environment and improve our overall quality of life.

Over the last several decades as the Washington, D.C. metro area has grown, formerly pristine watersheds have been absorbed into exurban landscapes. From Culpepper VA to Hagerstown MD sub-divisions and strip malls have over-taken formerly pastoral landscapes. The growth of upper Montgomery County — and its impact on down county residents and the region's water supply — is a case in point.

Luckily, we have learned a lot about what does and does not work in sensitive urbanizing watersheds. We've seen — in the DC metro area as well as around the county — that the only way to protect our watersheds is by wise land use planning. The formula is simple: keep development completely out of critically sensitive areas, limit hard surfaces elsewhere, and maintain adequate tree cover in buffer zones. In short — put development where it is needed: where people already live and work and need the connective tissue of community.

The land use draft under consideration today fails to protect Montgomery County's last pristine stream. The document itself states that the stream will degrade should the chosen measures be put into effect. This is simply unacceptable. The pressures on the water supply for the region's 4.3 million people are already too intense. The Planning Board can make the choice to reduce these pressures — or to leave a mess that will need to be cleaned up in a decade or so when we have even fewer options to meet the region's water needs.

**"The land use draft under consideration today fails to protect Montgomery County's last pristine stream."**

Take the Watts Branch watershed, for example. Or the Little Seneca tributary to the Little Seneca Reservoir. In both cases, land use planners relied too heavily on stormwater engineering and environmental site design, rather than proven methods of protecting critical parcels. Today the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission has abandoned the reservoir

fed by Watts Branch and is spending \$25 million of rate payers' money to basically build a giant straw from the middle of the Potomac River.

As for Little Seneca, wells ran dry and residents turned on their taps to find muddy water. In addition, the mouth of the Little Seneca feeding into the emergency drinking water supply for the DC area is silted up.

For all of these reasons, we must use our lessons learned to protect Ten Mile Creek. Ten Mile Creek is the last clean tributary to the Little Seneca Reservoir; an emergency supply that has been used twice in the last several years and been prepared for use twice more. In an era of increasing drought cycles, we are likely to need this supply more often.

Ten Mile Creek is also critical to the health of the Piedmont Sole Source Aquifer, the groundwater for most up county residents. The US EPA estimates that 60 percent of up county residents rely on this groundwater.

Finally, Ten Mile Creek is the standard by which all other creeks in Montgomery County are measured and compared. It serves as an environmental barometer for the cleanliness of other waterways.

The Planning Board has gone to great pains to deliver a plan that balances developers' needs against environmental realities. But you have not gone far enough. We cannot equate the speculative land rights of developers with the need to preserve the water supply of the DC metro area for generations to come.

**"We cannot equate the speculative land rights of developers with the need to preserve the water supply of the DC metro area for generations to come."**

Thank you so much for giving me an opportunity to share the Network's views.

**MCP-CTRACK**

**From:** Tom and Joan Yolken <edwardsferry@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 05, 2013 9:00 AM  
**To:** county.council@montgomerycountymd.gov; MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Fwd: Opposition to Clarksburg Development Plans

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**Subject:** Opposition to Clarksburg Development Plans

**Date:** Thu, 05 Sep 2013 08:50:36 -0400

**From:** Tom and Joan Yolken <edwardsferry@gmail.com>

**To:** county.council@montgomerycountymd.gov, MCPChair@mmppc-mc.org

Dear Montgomery County Leaders and Planners,

Please do not make our county and Clarksburg look like Northern Virginia with disregard to our water supply, and following the plans of Pulte Homes. Pulte Homes is a know violator of environmental laws in many states. We do NOT need a large number of new homes along Ten Mile Creek, and we surly do NOT need two new big malls when the town center has not been completed as planned.

Thank you,

H. Thomas Yolken, PhD  
Joan P. Yolken  
15400 Edwards Ferry Road  
Poolesville, Maryland 20837

**MCP-CTRACK**

**From:** Marion Mudd <marion9507@starpower.net>  
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**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Planning Board, Sept. 10, 2013

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Chair Francoise Carrier  
Montgomery County Maryland Planning Board

September 5, 2013

Dear Chair Carrier,

I write again to urge you and your Planning Board colleagues to act to preserve and protect a natural treasure, Ten Mile Creek!

I understand that you will preside at the Planning Board hearing on September 10 prior to a final decision being made on recommendations of Staff on the Ten Mile Creek Limited Master Plan Amendment.

For compelling health and environmental reasons this watershed should be safeguarded. Ten Mile Creek is an integral part of the drinking water supply for three million people living in the Greater Washington area and the development plans being proposed would add over 100 acres of impervious surfaces and cause devastation to this valuable and fragile watershed and degrade water quality.

Development, including transit, that is wanted for Clarksburg should be located in Clarksburg Town Center and situated well away from Ten Mile Creek and the surrounding watershed area.

We ask that full protection for the integrity of Ten Mile Creek be your goal and guide as you and your staff devise the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek.

Sincerely,

Marion H. Mudd

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**To:** MCP-Chair; County.council@montgomerycountymd.gov  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek Watershed

THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL  
PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

Hello,

We are writing to you about the proposed development in the Ten Mile Creek watershed.

As has been reported, the little development that has already occurred in the watershed has deteriorated the water quality of Ten Mile Creek. Further development, especially massive development, will further deteriorate its water quality.

An outlet mall will further threaten the Ten Mile Creek watershed with the runoff from the massive impervious surfaces of the buildings and parking lots. The light pollution from such a huge commercial enterprise would certainly ruin the little night sky that remains.

Ten Mile Creek is a rare jewel in our county. We have had the privilege of living in its watershed for 37 years. We have seen its water quality improve from the reduction of poor farming practices over those years. We would hate to see those gains lost to unwise land use decisions. The Ten Mile Creek watershed needs to be given the protection it deserves. Promises of state-of-the-art practices are a weak assurance of protection of the watershed from massive development.

We urge you to protect one of Montgomery County's finest natural resources by severely restricting development in the Ten Mile Creek watershed.

Thank you,

Bonnie & John Collier  
22401 Shiloh Church Road  
Boys, MD 20841

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**From:** Noah Matson <noah686@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 05, 2013 11:42 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** 10-mile creek

As a resident of Montgomery County, I am writing in support of protecting Ten-Mile Creek and opposing development that would damage this critical resource for the county and the region. Ten-Mile Creek is the county's most-intact, healthiest waterway. We have plenty of development, but only one healthy creek.

Thank you,

Noah Matson  
318 Lincoln Ave  
Takoma Park, MD  
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**From:** Marilyn Adelson <marilynadelson@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 05, 2013 7:33 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** water resources

The time to protect our water resources is now. Do what you can.  
Marilyn Adelson

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**From:** Martha Berger <mkpberger@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 05, 2013 11:14 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten mile creek

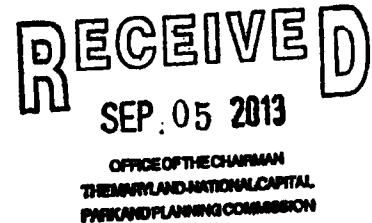
Please preserve the water quality of ten mile creek.

Respectfully,

Martha Berger

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**From:** Norman Mease <norman\_mease@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 04, 2013 9:15 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Cc:** dianecameron60@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Clarksburg Master Plan limited amendment



Dear Chair Carrier;

As a member of the Citizens Advisory Committee for the 1994 Clarksburg Master Plan, I wish to applaud the Planning Board and the County Council for opening the 1994 Plan for a limited amendment. This is certainly a step in the right direction, but after these 19 years it seems a review of the entire Plan is in order. In looking at what is on the ground today, and reviewing the ten key policies used to develop the Plan, we need to consider where we are with implementation of the Plan and where we need to go from here.

For example, construction of the Town Center has not happened. However, considerable development of surrounding neighborhood retail has proceeded with the imminent opening of the Harris Teeter grocery store. In the Plan, the Town Center is to be the major focal point that defines Clarksburg, by keeping the Historic District viable, and with its proximity to mass transit facilities.

Now there is a proposal to build an outlet mall in the headwaters of the Ten Mile Creek. This is contrary to the Plan's objective to build shopping areas that will provide necessary goods and services for residents of the town; not to provide a shopping center to attract customers from hundreds of miles away as does the outlet mall in Hagerstown. Approving this proposal will help turn Clarksburg into a same-old, same-old automobile-oriented urban area, and be in conflict with key policy No. 2 of the Plan.

Key policy No. 2 requires that Ten Mile Creek and Little Seneca Creek be provided special protection. A limited amendment should strive to reduce development requiring large areas of impervious surfaces (such as an outlet mall) and to reduce the number of dwelling units to be constructed west of MD 121 in Stage 4 of the Plan. This will allow retention of more of the natural vegetative cover in a watershed that feeds Little Seneca Lake in Black Hill Park. This will help to improve the water quality in this lake. A major step in this direction was taken in the 1994 Plan which downzoned 1,100 acres west of Shiloh Church Road to RDT, but more should be done.

Little Seneca Lake provides an emergency water supply for all municipalities that draw water from the Potomac River downstream of its confluence with Great Seneca Creek. All of these municipalities paid a cost-share for construction of this lake and own rights to the water contained in it during a declared drought emergency. Such emergencies have already occurred, with water discharges dropping the lake level about 2 feet. With the climate change that is affecting our planet, such emergencies will probably become more frequent as we experience more drought-to-deluge weather cycles. As the custodian of this water, Montgomery County has a special obligation to the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area to ensure its adequacy, quality, and availability when this water is needed.

Thank you for considering my comments. I am;

Norman E. Mease  
22211 Shiloh Church Road  
Boys, MD 20841

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**From:** Colleen Moore <mattamaura@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 04, 2013 1:13 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Clarksburg Master Plan Amendment  
**Attachments:** photo.JPG

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Greetings Mr. Carrier,

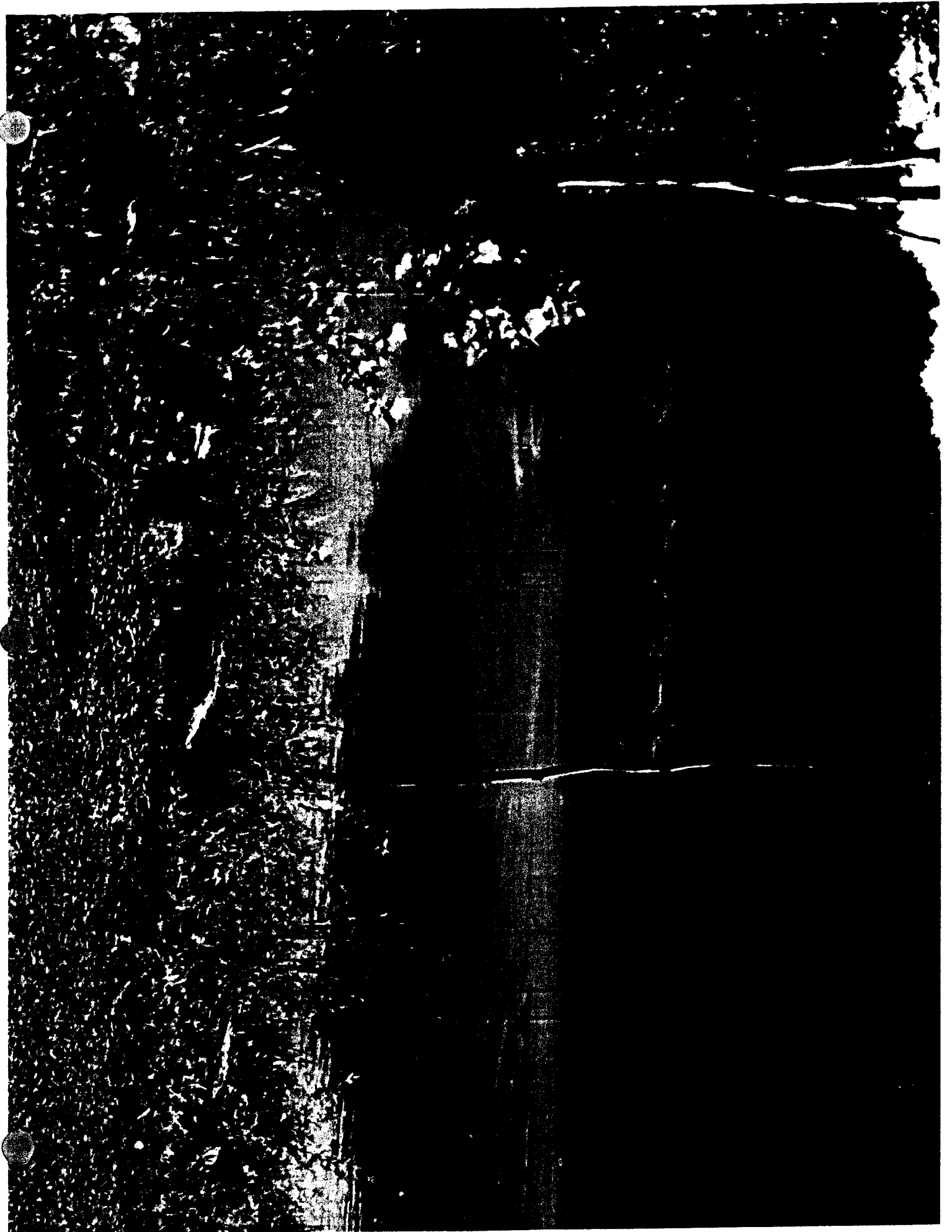
I am writing in support of limiting development in the Ten Mile Creek watershed so as to cause the least amount of disturbance to the area. Attached is a photo of what the Cabin Branch Creek looked like this morning. It doesn't look healthy. It seems that whatever decisions have been made for this portion of the watershed that also leads into the reservoir need to be considered in the big picture of the decisions being made for Ten Mile Creek headwater development and their overall impact on our back-up water supply.

Thank you,

Colleen Moore

From: [colleen.moore22@yahoo.com](mailto:colleen.moore22@yahoo.com)  
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**From:** Timber Oak Citizens Association <timberoakcitizens@gmail.com>  
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**Subject:** Testimony for Public Hearing  
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Please find attached my written testimony for the Ten Mile Creek Limited Amendment Public Hearing on Sept 10th, 2013.

Thank you,  
Anne James

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Timber Oak Citizens Association

Save Ten Mile Creek, Protect Little Seneca Lake



**Testimony for Planning Board to be spoken on 9/10/2013**

**My name is Anne James and I am speaking on behalf of the Timber Oak Citizens Association of Germantown. We are a large group of concerned citizens who live in and around of Little Seneca Lake Reservoir and a number of us are present tonight. We are appalled to learn that the water quality of our reservoir is threatened by extensive development proposed in the Ten Mile Creek headwaters. We know the importance of clean water, particularly in a drinking water reservoir, and we know for sure, despite developers' promises of Environmental Site Design and best engineering practices, that the water quality of the reservoir will be adversely affected if this development proceeds. The Planning Board's own staff and their contractors in their July 2013 report have all concluded that *any* development in this watershed will degrade the creek. As you know, the creek flows directly into the reservoir.**

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**Developers promises of "more retail opportunities, fine dining and luxury homes" should never outweigh the importance of clean water. We know that these kinds of environmental fixes were used when development took place in Seneca Creek and Cabin Branch tributaries, and as you can plainly see by this map, they have negatively impacted the reservoir. We cannot risk any more pollution. Our citizens group has done door to door canvassing from Germantown to Boyds to Clarksburg and we have the signatures to prove it. The response is unanimous: Clean water is essential for our well-being, if polluted we create a major public health issue for our future.**

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**From:** Debra Prybyla <prybyla@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 03, 2013 12:06 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Save Ten Mile Creek

Ms. Francoise Carrier  
Chairwoman  
Montgomery County Planning Board

Dear Chairwoman Carrier,

For the past several years, I have served as a trained volunteer water quality monitor for the Audubon Naturalist Society (ANS), which sends 150 volunteers into 25 area streams several times a year to collect data about stream health. ANS frequently uses a location on Ten Mile Creek for its volunteer training sessions because Ten Mile Creek is such a healthy, vibrant stream. As a result, I have been to Ten Mile Creek several times and have personally witnessed its rich aquatic life.

As you develop the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek, I urge you to recommend strict limits to development within the Ten Mile Creek watershed. Research shows that surprisingly low overall levels of impervious surfaces can irreversibly damage watersheds. Ten Mile Creek provides many benefits to Montgomery County. It should be protected into perpetuity so that county residents can continue to reap these benefits. Development should be located in Clarksburg Town Center, not in the Ten Mile Creek watershed where it would degrade this important ecosystem.

Sincerely,

Debra Prybyla  
7016 Sycamore Ave.  
Takoma Park, MD 20912

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OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN  
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Shirley B. Caminer  
14639 Bauer Drive. #209

Rockville, MD 20853

September 3, 2013

Montgomery County Planning Board

8787 Georgia Avenue

Silver Spring, MD 20910

RE: Ten Mile Creek

Dear Chair and Commissioners:

The purpose of the Ten Mile Creek watershed - Stage 4 of the Clarksburg Master Plan - is to provide drinking water via Little Seneca Reservoir via the Piedmont Sole Source aquifer, and to serve as our Montgomery County's reference stream against which the health of all other streams are judged.

That is why I am asking you to do everything possible to protect the integrity of Ten Mile Creek. In order to do that please revise the July 18 staff draft plan to reflect that this is our county's last, best, creek, and is the cleanest source of water to our region's backup emergency drinking water supply at Little Seneca Reservoir.

I am not persuaded by the developer's argument which I read in the Gazette. Too much is at stake here for this development to go forward. The long range effect on the water supply is critical. The risk the developer makes in buying protected wetlands cannot be mitigated by a go-ahead decision of The Planning Board.

We can build elsewhere, but we cannot find or build another Ten Mile Creek. If this irreplaceable water source is lost, it is lost forever, and three million people in the greater DC area are depending upon your decision on the Ten Mile Creek Limited Amendment.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley B. Caminer

*Shirley B. Caminer*

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**From:** Todd JB <toddjb123@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 03, 2013 4:08 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** 10 Mile Creek Stage 4 Development

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Hi,

I live at the SE corner of Zone 4 on Canterfield Way. I'm writing to urge you to limit further development and specifically the short sited changes the developers are recommending which increase home density, asphalt, limit green space and further destroy our watershed.

I have seen what some of these same developers are doing immediately behind my house off New Cut road and they do not know how to protect a watershed. The development off New Cut road is not even half developed and they have changed it from beautiful rolling farm land able to absorb and filter rain water into a muddy rapid every time it rains. The stream behind my house used to flood every couple years. For the past 3 years as they have cleared that land it floods 4 times a year, the water is bright brown and the drainage basins they build overflow or blowout after most heavy rains. They come in with truckloads of band-aid fixes (rocks) to plug the gaps and keep on building. The builders DO NOT CARE about our watershed or our community. They are looking to sell the most home units they can at our loss.

Please listen to the community and it's supporters trying to protect the 10 Mile Creek area. Please block the outlet malls that add no value to our area. What we need are more parks, town centers, walk ways, hiking paths and public fields where kids can play a game of ball without needing a reservation.

Thank you,

-Todd Blakaitis  
22313 Canterfield Way

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**From:** Jamie Haney <jhaney8@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 03, 2013 10:12 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Cc:** MCP-CR  
**Subject:** Save Ten Mile Creek

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Dear Madam Chair,  
Save Ten Mile Creek. Compel the developers to see that this is not the right site for development.  
Johnny Haney  
14611 West Old Baltimore Road  
Boyd's, MD  
301-916-8038

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**From:** thekotlers@comcast.net  
**Sent:** Monday, September 02, 2013 5:08 PM  
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**Cc:** info; Association, Sugarloaf  
**Subject:** save ten mile creek

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Dear, Park and Planning; County Council members,  
Please respect and follow the empirical scientific findings on what is acceptable for the health of Ten Mile Creek in the stage 4 build out of Clarksburg. I live in the Agricultural Reserve and rely on well water. The scientific study has set up guide lines to protect our wells as well as the ever important pristine Ten Mile Creek, which is vital in safeguarding the regions drinking water. Please do not allow this narrow group of self-interested developers speak for the large majority of residents who are opposed to this toxic proposal, as evidenced by the large numbers of residents attending and testifying at County Council and Planning Board hearings and sending E-mails, letters, etc.. Please do not be blinded by the greed for money at the expense of so much that we hold dear such as clean water, high quality communities, and protection of the environment.

Sincerely,  
Dale and Kotler  
22404 Nicholson Farm Rd.  
Dickerson MD 20842

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**Garcia, Joyce**

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**From:** Kristina Bostick <kristina@mocoalliance.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 09, 2013 1:25 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Planning Board Ten Mile Creek Hearing: Full Signatures and Comments of the Ten Mile Creek Petition  
**Attachments:** 9.9.13 Ten Mile Creek Petition Planning Board MCA.pdf

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Madam Chair and Members of the Planning Board,

Please find attached the more than 1100 signatures and comments in support of our online petition on Change.org- "Montgomery County : Protect Ten Mile Creek - Backup Water Supply for 4.3 Million"

We respectfully ask that these comments be added to the record for this hearing.

Many Thanks,

Kristina Bostick  
Senior Conservation Associate  
Montgomery Countryside Alliance  
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## Change.org Petition:

**"Montgomery County : Protect Ten Mile Creek -  
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**Delivered 9/9/2013 to the Montgomery County  
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Petition Letter:

Greetings,

I applaud the Council and Planning Board for moving forward with the needed master plan amendment to the Clarksburg Master Plan prior to approving any development in fragile Stage 4. The resulting draft amendment represents important and appropriate recommendations, notably reducing housing density on the "Pulte" parcel. Yet, oddly, the draft also allows for proposed massive development on the Miles Coppola property that would result in a staggering and environmentally disastrous 25% impervious surface at the headwaters of Ten Mile Creek. Moreover, this proposed second regional outlet mall does not move the Clarksburg community any closer to the fulfillment of a walkable, vibrant Town Center and does not provide high quality jobs.

I write you now to urge you to properly employ science and public interest as you determine how Clarksburg's final stage be developed. Ten Mile Creek now flows clean and serves as the back up drinking water supply for our region, over 4.3 million residents. With science, per the Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin, alerting us to significant reductions in our ground and surface waters by the year 2040, it is imperative that land use decision address resource protection first and foremost.

Development should be scaled to ensure protection of our irreplaceable water resources, now and for future generations. Our collective focus should be on fulfilling the promise to Clarksburg's residents and completing the Town Center and associated transportation needs while protecting our environment. Our planners and elected representatives should do no less.

# Comments

Name	Location	Date	Comment
josh Goldman	Seneca, MD	2013-08-27	Because I am 17 and I want to be able to drink the water when I am 40.
Alan Bowser	Silver Spring, MD	2013-08-27	Saving Ten Mile Creek is important to protect the metro Washington, DC water supply. What happens upstream affects downstream!
Allie Taylor	Poolesville, MD	2013-08-27	Our water = our lives. Other jurisdictions are working to protect their drinking water resources. Maryland (and Montgomery County) are not listed: <a href="http://water.epa.gov/infrastructure/drinkingwater/sourcewater/protection/casestudies/" rel="nofollow">http://water.epa.gov/infrastructure/drinkingwater/sourcewater/protection/casestudies/</a>
			The time to get this right is now.
jim brown	Barnesville, MD	2013-08-27	Last pristine creek in Maryland
Allie Taylor	Poolesville, MD	2013-08-27	My Montgomery County High School science class was told yesterday that we would be going soon to Ten Mile Creek to sample the water and see what it is like now. The teacher told us that a lot of development that is approved will change the water. She told us that we will go back after the development is built to see how the creek is changed. I wanted to shout that the development is not approved yet - there is still time. But it was the first day and I was afraid I would get off on the wrong foot. I am shouting it now though - there is time to make the right choices!
Deborah Grossman	Takoma Park, MD	2013-08-27	The developers have all but destroyed this beautiful county. It's past time to stop them.
Cathy Wiss	Chevy Chase, MD	2013-08-27	I have monitored Ten Mile Creek since 1997 and know it has a healthy biological community. If the creek's watershed is developed with so many homes and commercial uses, it will become degraded, as will Little Seneca Lake, where it flows. Little Seneca Lake is my back-up drinking water supply. We must keep it clean for all of us and for our children and future generations by protecting Ten Mile Creek.
Daniel Kator	Potomac, MD	2013-08-27	It's the right thing to do.
William Sheehan	Baarnesville, MD	2013-08-27	Because maintaining the health of our ecosystems is more important than developers' profits.
Diana Conway	Potomac, MD	2013-08-28	We need to protect the Creek, and to uphold the values we so loudly proclaim.
Anne Sturm	Barnesville, MD	2013-08-28	It is the source of back up drinking water water security

Name	Location	Date	Comment
Suzanne Shoemaker	Boysds, MD	2013-08-28	<p>Ten Mile Creek is a primary source of the Little Seneca Lake reserve water supply for Greater Washington, and this source, the most pristine in the county, should be protected from this kind of development. The development would add over 100 acres of impervious surfaces to the watershed, which are known to drastically degrade water quality by increasing runoff, adding automobile and other contaminants, and heating the water.</p> <p>Not only is this develop bad for the regional water supply, it is bad for the County and Clarksburg residents. We need to change our thinking in Montgomery County. Instead of adding yet another shopping and entertainment destination on the I-270 corridor (don't we have enough of these? even in nearby Germantown?), give the people of Clarksburg a Town Center that they can safely walk to, or get to by mass transit, and enjoy the amenities they have long been promised.</p>
Dale Kotler	dickerson, MD	2013-08-28	please heed the scientific studies in determining stage 4 of Clarksburg and not the "green"(money)-interests of developers.
Julie Gilson	Germantown, MD	2013-08-28	Best stream in county, needed to protect our drinking supply and wildlife habitat.
Janice Browne	Silver Spring, MD	2013-08-28	You know the reasons. Now do the right thing. No development in the headwaters.
John smith	silver spring, MD	2013-08-28	Bottom line is clean water. We need to preserve what little we have left.
Alan Rosenblatt	Arlington, VA	2013-08-28	There are so few clean streams left in the DC metro area... save this one.
Joe Libertelli	Rockville, MD	2013-08-28	The comparison to the ICC made in a letter to the Gazette recently is apt - but the writer's conclusion was wrong. Both are avoidable disasters. We don't need more pavement in Montgomery County.
Patrice Brown	Jacksonville, FL	2013-08-28	We all must have clean water to drink to stay alive, protect our water!!
Mike Kirby	derwood, MD	2013-08-28	The rampant overdevelopment of what was intended to be agricultural reserve, driven by developer donations to political campaign funds MUST END. Sooner or later, the construction and accompanying traffic nightmare must stop, it would be nice if we had a bit of our natural surroundings left before we wind up with a County that looks more like New York City that a pleasant place to live.
Jeanne Richter	Rockville, MD	2013-08-28	Stop pollution and precious resources. Can't we have one clean creek? Ruining this beautiful natural resource is NOT progress.
priscilla borchardt	clarksburg, MD	2013-08-28	Please don't let development hurt Ten Mile Creek!
Rita La Porta	Germantown, MO	2013-08-28	Am not against development, rather FOR appropriate land use. In this case the choice is more than just clear, it is imperative: we MUST protect this creek and precious water resource. It make no sense to target a sensitive watershed for houses and malls. Please guide and temper the county's growth with reason and care. Protect our most precous creek and water reservoir.
Kay Irey	Plainwell, MI	2013-08-28	We should always protect our waters...especially backup water supply fo 4.3 million...
Anne Ambler	Silver Spring, MD	2013-08-28	The Clarksburg Master Plan was designed with the aim of protecting Ten-Mile Creek. Nothing has changed that would make that goal obsolete.
Sharon Dooley	Olney, MD	2013-08-28	Ten Mile Creek has been described as a pristine creek in a fragile environment. Too much development in the watershed can tip this balance toward eventual destruction of this beautiful area. It needs to be protected in perpetuity.
Linda Silversmith	Rockville, MD	2013-08-28	This is a stream we really need to keep at a high standard of purity

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John Webster	Clarksburg, MD	2013-08-28	I feel we need to protect our natural resources for ourselves and generations to come. Keeping developers in check is a must do job for our county council members.
Dick Stoner	Rockville, MD	2013-08-28	It's important for everyone to experience a local stream that is clean and pure
Kathleen Bell	Montgomery Village, MD	2013-08-28	This is our drinking water! Don't mess it up - that would be idiotic.
anne cinque	boyds, MD	2013-08-28	Water source is important to EVERYONE in the Metro Region!
Tammy Franklin	Mount Airy, MD	2013-08-28	My family has lived in Clarksburg for at least five generations. My grandchildren go to the same school my grandfather went to (Clarksburg Elementary). I would like for the water supply (and Ten Mile Creek) to be preserved and protected for the generations to come.
Tina Brown	Barnesville, MD	2013-08-28	Montgomery County is a rare natural resource, that future generations will enjoy and continue to study. IT is a learning laboratory. Please protect it from the pollution and thermal impact of nearby development.
Francine D'Antuono	Boyds, MD	2013-08-28	I live here... I drink from this water. Nuf said!
Kathy Surber	Germantown, MD	2013-08-28	It would be a shame to build over the creek. There is way too much infrastructure in the area as is. We do not need more commerical development.
Michael Mesa	Boyds, MD	2013-08-28	I have lived in the Bods area for over twenty years. Rarely has a year gone by that the county council and or the planning board hasn't approved a gigantic assault on the rural communities of our county. Today as I drive Clarksburg RD from Boyds to I-270 the rape of the landscape around that interchange is just appalling. One cannot look upon the destruction of our rural lands and shutter at the urban calamity our elected "leaders" continue to spring forth in the name of progress. I fear that with the removal of forest and the damage wrought by the gigantic earthmovers the water quality of our region will be forever damaged. Stop the carnage of the landscape in the ten mile creek area and save the aquifer and the regions downstream water supply. A by product of a sane land use policy might be that the black bears have a room to live up county and stay out of the Gaithersburg back yards.
Claude Fecteau	Clarksburg, MD	2013-08-28	I drink water, breath air, and already cannot travel away from home without TOO much traffic.
Perrie'Lee Prouty	Rockville, MD	2013-08-28	This is the only creek in the County that one can still see fish and healthy insects. It is the one watershed that development has not ruined. Unfortunately, I have very little faith in this county's government to not mess it up.
Andrea C	North Bethesda, MD	2013-08-28	Our county's open space is rapidly dwindling and we should not sacrifice the modest amount that remains for more housing developments and shopping centers.
Genevieve Fecteau	Clarksburg, MD	2013-08-28	Isn't there already enough pollution of our waterways? Please leave Ten Mile Creek alone.
Josefine Evans	Boyds, MD	2013-08-28	this is and has been my home since Christmas of 1969 - and so it is with all of the residents who "love the earth"
Gale Quist	Germantown, MD	2013-08-28	We need to preserve the few remaining quality streams and associated ecosystems so much more than we need more shopping malls and other development.

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Fran Asbeck	Boyd's, MD	2013-08-28	It's important to the community, therefore it's important to me. I have two streams that are tributaries of Ten Mile Creek crossing my land, and I avoid the use of chemical fertilizer so as to not contribute to pollution of the Creek. The Clarksburg developers (what a word for the devastation being wreaked in the Cabin Branch triangle) should be as careful as am I.
Marcia Rucker	Bethesda, MD	2013-08-28	I'm fed up with a few greedy developers being able to impose their will on all the rest of us. We need neighborhoods where we can live much of our lives without a car. We need clean water and unpolluted land and air. Why should developers be able to override everyone else's needs so they can make a bigger profit? Let's go back to democracy, shall we. The developers get to vote just like the rest of us, but their money shouldn't give them the right to negate the votes of the rest of us.
Amy DeMouy	Kensington, MD	2013-08-28	Clean drinking water should be a priority for all of us.
Claire Wolfe	Germantown, MD	2013-08-28	This is an important water supply for our community. Also, this is one of the cleanest creeks around with excellent habitat for wildlife.
Carol Thomas	Clarksburg, MD	2013-08-28	Please no outlet malls or acres of impervious surfaces to pollute Ten Mile Creek. Keep Clarksburg a Md-style liveable community, not a Northern VA conglomeration of malls and traffic congestion. The developers may have money but we citizens have the vote.
Christine Chalk	Boyd's, MD	2013-08-28	I live down stream of this proposed development and am concerned about my well and drinking water.
Barbara Butera	chevy chase, MD	2013-08-28	We need to safeguard our water sources. Their value far outweighs the benefits of proposed commercial development. We cannot put a dollar sign on drinking water.
John Carr	Chevy Chase, MD	2013-08-28	We have enough malls and a shortage areas such as Ten Mile Creek. The desires of developers should not be the deciding factor in whether the area is protected.
Renee Roth	Gaithersburg, MD	2013-08-29	I live in Germantown and believe the county is squandering natural resources that are crucial to supporting this ever expanding population.
Stam Fisher	Boyd's, MD	2013-08-29	This development must be used to provide Clarksburg residents with the amenities that they should have already, namely local shopping and a town center. Outlet malls are not needed as much as housing and local amenities. Don't allow the 10 Mile Creek watershed to be disturbed.
Grace Gray	Bethesda, MD	2013-08-29	It is always less expensive to avoid a mistake in the first place than it is to clean it up afterwards. Maryland needs pristine waters, not more river clean-up projects. Please protect 10-mile creek!
Jennifer Wolfe	Silver Spring, MD	2013-08-29	We need clean water to live. What else needs to be said? It's not "optional".
James Togashi	Silver Spring, MD	2013-08-29	Protect the creek from development. Thanks.
Paul Hlavinka	Gaithersburg, MD	2013-08-29	It is important to protect high quality resources like this for the benefit of our drinking water, and for future generations to enjoy and study.
Kirsten Novo	Germantown, MD	2013-08-29	We don't need more outlet malls at the expense of our drinking supplies. Smart development means considering environmental impact in the long run.
Lise Nau	University Park, MD	2013-08-29	Clean water is a very basic need for humans and all other creatures.

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Antonio Carrillo	North Potomac, MD	2013-08-29	Dear Council Members;  I have monitored Ten-Mile Creek for 15 years with the Audubon Naturalist Society. Every other monitoring group has always remarked on the beauty and diversity of the organisms in Ten Mile Creek. To risk the chance of this creek to be damaged permanently without even first considering what has been promised to the residents at Clarksburg is short sighted.
C Rand	Potomac, MD	2013-08-29	Protect our natural resources. They are so much more special and contribute to better living.
Ann Smith	Gaithersburg, MD	2013-08-29	I feel that preserving natural resources prevents future fighting.
Peter Chines	Silver Spring, MD	2013-08-29	I visit Little Bennett and Black Hill Parks often. They are wonderful areas, and they depend on the clean waters of ten-mile creek to stay that way.
Lindsey Chambers	Boyd's, MD	2013-08-29	I'd rather have clean drinking water than outlet shopping! My children deserve clean drinking water.
Chris Tetlow	Frederick, MD	2013-08-29	I was born and raised in clarksburg and the creek was always a big part of my life I supplied our well and in the summer it supplied a place to hang out and cool off. My home town has already had a drastic make over in the past 10 years and it does not need anymore! It makes me sick to see the way this beautiful farm land has be raped and developed over the past years and I truly pray that no more bad decisions are made to rob this great town of the natural beauty that it has always had.
Thomas Leedy	Clarksburg, MD	2013-08-29	This is important since Ten-Mile Creek is the last source of high-quality surface water in Montgomery County. If we look at maps of water quality, we see that where the development is highest, water quality suffers. Let this not happen to Ten-Mile Creek.
Beverly Thoms	Dickerson, MD	2013-08-29	We need clean water and their ecosystems for our survival and that of our earth. Development of the area around Ten Mile Creek destroys an invaluable resource that serves us well.
Jean denney	bethesda, MD	2013-08-29	Green spaces needed
caroline taylor	poolesville, MD	2013-08-29	I sign because we need to speak for the water that gives us life.
Joshua Lowman	Somerville, MA	2013-08-29	I am from Maryland and lived in Montgomery County. I am an environmental scientist and the development in Maryland must be put under some kind of control to protect our natural resources for future generations.
Sarah Nichols	Poolesville, MD	2013-08-29	another commercial development over a beautiful creek really? This is not VA lets keep it that way
Laura Sanchez	Olney, MD	2013-08-29	There are other available spaces for development without affecting the environment around this important creek!
Debra Prybyla	Takoma Park, MD	2013-08-29	Ten Mile Creek provides many important ecological services and should be protected for current and future generations.



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Albert Marsico	Etchison, MD	2013-08-29	<p>Fresh water is one of Mother Earth's most precious resources. Next to oxygen. Many of us lifted consciousness 40 years ago and began to reverse, the abuse of the corporate/industrial elite who used rivers and even lakes! as dumping grounds.</p> <p>The 10 Mile Creek issue, fortunately is not under that threat but a more subtle and still insidious disrespect.</p> <p>We must not allow 1600 homes nor even a quarter that number to be build on grounds that will negatively impact the creek.</p> <p>Let us increase property and income tax bases in other areas and other ways. And let us be wary of the ease of big developers "influencing" county officials in such matters.</p> <p>My family would appreciate a clear message from P&amp;Z and other departments - "No building near the Creek".</p> <p>Thank you. A.M.</p>
roberta liebman	chevy chase, MD	2013-08-29	<p>Cluster development in the town center &amp; protect the creek &amp; the environment. Makes sense!!</p>
Suzanne Picard	Kensington, MD	2013-08-29	<p>Water issues are going to become so important in the coming decades. We need to preserve watersheds. Let what's happening in the Colorado River basin be a cautionary tale.</p>
John Fay	Wheaton, MD	2013-08-29	<p>The original plan for Clarksburg should be completed before any consideration is given to additions.</p>
Robert White	Frederick, MD	2013-08-29	<p>Montgomery and Frederick Counties are losing waterways and water quality to poorly thought-out, dumb (as oposed to smart...) growth. Better, more foresighted planning is needed to avoid this dstructive sprawl development. Protect Ten Mile Creek from this short-sighted proposal.</p>
Margaret Coleman	Boyd's, MD	2013-08-29	<p>Clean water. Clean Air. Clean environment</p>
Catherine Metzger	Takoma Park, MD	2013-08-29	<p>We must preserve some natural environment if we are to sustain life on this planet.</p>
Sarah Kessler	Boyd's, MD	2013-08-29	<p>I live nearby and enjoy the beauty and benefits of the creek.</p>
Donna J Smith	Washington, DC	2013-08-29	<p>Development in the areas surrounding DC should be careful and prudent, with priority given to environmental impact when the planning board makes decisions on placement of projects.</p>
David Reile	Olney, MD	2013-08-29	<p>Protect the creek. Build sensibly. Focus on existing needs.</p>
Nancy Horn	Montgomery Village, MD	2013-08-29	<p>We need to curb devevelopers. Yes, we need them, but also want responsible development that respects our environment. Ten Mile Creek is a treasure and as such should be preserved.</p>
Ruwan Salgado	North Bethesda, MD	2013-08-29	<p>I'm not opposed to development per se, but it needs to make sense, not increase sprawl and not destroy the environment, especially access to water.</p>
Maggie Bartlett	Boyd's, MD	2013-08-29	<p>Development will only ruin the Ten Mile Creek, the last pristine creek in Montgomery County.</p> <p>Please limit development and don't allow any development in the Ag Reserve.</p>
Anjie Martinis	Darnestown, MD	2013-08-29	<p>The county can never predict if and when it would need to use this source for back up water. It needs to be kept as a back up plan and treasure to this area. Too much urban sprawl without thinking about the natural resources of the area is wrong and not good for Montgomery county.</p>
Pam Wanveer	Silver Spring, MD	2013-08-29	<p>We need clean water for our environment and ourselves.</p>
ALICE MCINTOSH	Clarksburg, MD	2013-08-29	<p>DEVELOPERS ARE RUINING THID REGION. WE MOVED HERE FOR THE COUNTRY SETTING AND ALL OF THAT ISD DISAPPEARING AS THIS TURNS INTO ANOTHER CONGESTED EYESORE.</p>

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Marney Bruce	Bethesda, MD	2013-08-29	A forested watershed is the best and least expensive way to protect a city's water supply. When the water supply is polluted, chemicals, lots of chemicals are used in an attempt to clean it up. Why not keep it clean in the first place?
virginia sheard	kensington, MD	2013-08-29	protecting and enhancing all water resources is critical for the future  there is no compelling public benefit for allowing additional development that is not already in the pipeline until the existing promises are kept - require developer plans to redesign their plans to maximize use of other available sites in less sensitive areas and protect Ten Mile Creek
Elizabeth Cohn	Poolesville, MD	2013-08-29	Water is life!
Betsy Loyless	Chevy Chase, MD	2013-08-29	I believe in decision-making that takes into account protecting the environment and our drinking water supplies. Put the development in a less sensitive town area. The Planning Board and Council should listen to the science-based studies that indicate that degrading Ten Mile Creek simply does not make good dollars and sense in the long run. I urge you to think in long range--past the next development--and, in terms of what is in the best interests of all Montgomery County residents.
Mary Ferrara-Marsland	boyds, MD	2013-08-29	we cannot destroy the last pristine creek in Mont Co especially to line the pockets of developers.
Theresa Lyles	montgomery Village, MD	2013-08-29	Theresa Lyles
Liz Peterson	Mt Airy, MD	2013-08-29	We ALL depend on clean fresh water and therefore, need to keep our sensitive streams protected.
Linda Rieger	Potomac, MD	2013-08-29	The developers have not done a good job of protecting the green spaces that they have left in order to get more dense development elsewhere.
Krista Abbaticchio	clarksburg, MD	2013-08-29	The ag reserve is why the DC area doesn't have the awful air of LA. In that same way, protecting 10mile creek is essential to protecting the last best water.
Jack Carson	Takoma Park, MD	2013-08-29	I'm fed up with developers running roughshod over our environmentally significant and sensitive areas in our county.
Mark Schwartz	Laytonsville, MD	2013-08-29	protective the environment and the quality of our lives is more important than real estate profit
Christine Keen	Bethesda, MD	2013-08-29	Enough is enough. MontCo is addicted to thinking it can "grow" its way out of problems and instead is destroying the quality of life for those of us living here.
Deirdre Byrne	Kensington, MD	2013-08-29	It is much easier to preserve a clean watershed than to try and restore a degraded one. Montgomery County residents deserve one pristine watershed such as this.
Frederick Wright	Bethesda, MD	2013-08-29	It costs a lot more to clean something up than it does to keep it clean from the beginning. DON'T LET OUR WATER SYSTEM GET POLLUTED
Carol Falk	Gaithersburg, MD	2013-08-29	Because this water is the backup drinking supply to the water I drink. I also care about preserving pristine creeks in the region.
Karen W Diamond	Chevy Chase, MD	2013-08-29	I believe in preservation of our early gifts.
Christopher H. Holte	Silver Spring, MD	2013-08-29	Montgomery County needs its water resources protected.
Karina Peterson	Boyd's, MD	2013-08-29	We need safe roads and more schools, not shopping malls and poorly built homes.
Susan Jacobson	Rockville, MD	2013-08-29	We can't live without clean safe water. Development should never be permitted in an area that endangers anyone's water supply.

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Kathleen Rapp	Gaithersburg, MD	2013-08-29	I am a frequent user of Black Hill Regional park and have hiked and gone birding and kayaking on Ten Mile Creek. It is such a beautiful area and home to so many beautiful birds and animals like beavers and bald eagles.... so rare in this area. Besides enjoying the natural beauty, I think it's crazy to risk polluting our backup water supply. I am surprised that this development is even being considered and that it meets the requirements I assume are in place to protect our water supply. For me, it's the beautiful and pristine natural area that I hope will not be spoiled by unnecessary heavy development... this is why I am against the pending plan. I don't need an outlet mall closer than Hagerstown or Leesburg. I hardly ever go to those malls and probably would visit one in Clarksburg just as infrequently... maybe once every year or two. On the other hand, I go to Black Hill Park once or twice a month.
Richard Williams	Bethesda, MD	2013-08-29	Our water systems are in great peril. It isn't just the area right next to the stream but the percent impermeable area around the streams. Help our streams stay healthy and free from flash flooding by reducing paved surfaces around them. pledge to keep our waterways swim-able, boat-able and fish-able!
Ann McDonald	Bethesda, MD	2013-08-29	Development for private profit cannot be allowed to threaten the health and safety of County residents. Our elected officials must honor their long-time commitment to protect the environment that sustains us all. The County water supply is a vital part of that environmental support for all County residents. Therefore, eek must be protected from assault by private developers.
Carol Henig	Garrett Park,, MD	2013-08-29	Too many streams in the county are already polluted. We are losing our resources.
Terri Meyer	Boysd, MD	2013-08-29	There is too much development.
naomi manders	Potomac, MD	2013-08-30	I know limited water available that area
John Nuckols	Rockville, MD	2013-08-30	I am an environmental scientist with a PhD degree in Engineering (hydrology, water quality), and over 40 years of training and experience in water resource assessment and environmental health. As a federal judge in Kentucky once rebuked the petitioners for a similar permit during a water pollution case on which I provided expert testimony - "putting an outhouse upstream of your water supply is just plain stupid." I look forward to adding a more scientific, but no less compelling, basis for denial of permit for development of the headwaters of 10 Mile Creek in my testimony. Sincerely, J.R. Nuckols, PhD
Paul Hennemeyer	London, United Kingdom	2013-08-30	A beautiful place that I and many others have grown to love and should be protected.
Patty McGrath	Potomac, MD	2013-08-30	One pristine creek is not too much to ask. The proposed development is a behemoth and needs to be scaled to protect our future.
Patrick Hancock	Clarksburg, MD	2013-08-30	We need to protect the environment for the future generations. Water is a major concern.
Nancy Rogers	DICKERSON, MD	2013-08-30	We need to protect our planet, as many pieces of it as we can.
Brent A Turner Jr	Germantown, MD	2013-08-30	Preservation of open spaces in the Washington area is a high priority to me.
Indra Kumar Awatramani	Rockville, MD	2013-08-30	back home we have polluted our rivers,srteams & do not want anything ilke that should be repeated here.
Bonny Lundy	brookeville, MD	2013-08-30	Preserve the natural beauty of our woodlands!!
Barr Snyderwine	Potoamc, MD	2013-08-30	Too much development - need open green space and claeen water

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Carol Purcell	Boys, MD	2013-08-30	Ensuring safe drinking water for everyone should be a top priority in this project. In addition, we need to get people out of their cars and into walkable town centers, rather than planting the next-best-thing shopping centers in fragile country settings. It is time to do the right thing.
Cirila Cerlo	Clarksburg, MD	2013-08-30	I live in Clarksburg and I want the creek to stay healthy.
Kris Vaitkus	Rockville, MD	2013-08-30	Isn't this plan shortsighted? Who does it benefit?
Rick Hood	Thurmont, MD	2013-08-30	Development in a sensitive watershed defy logic.
Jim Fary	Silver Spring, MD	2013-08-30	Back up water source that cannot be replaced.
Ellen Gordon	Dickerson, MD	2013-08-30	This is not only the cleanest creek in Mo Co, it's the cleanest creek in the state of Maryland. Is the County really willing to trade that for an outlet mall?
Jeanne Eliason	Necedah, WI	2013-08-30	My grandchildren live there and it their right to have safe drinking water.
Dolores Davis	Clarksburg, MD	2013-08-30	We all rely on Ten Mile Creek as a back up water supply. We have lived in Clarksburg, MD for 10 years, waiting for a community retail center with a grocery store. We do not want or need an outlet mall that will bring pollution and more traffic to an area whose road construction has not keeping pace with the increasing population. Stay with the original Master Plan please!
Sarah Stecher	Silver Spring, MD	2013-08-30	Montgomery County has a history of polluted water caused by poorly planned development. Protect Ten Mile Creek, it is an environment and resource to preserve.
Melinda Hayes	Grantsville, MD	2013-08-30	I am so tired of taking up our land. Can't we leave anything nature. The water supply is more important than any building
Barbara Reilly	Gaithersburg, MD	2013-08-30	Because it's time we stopped allowing our world to be run over in quest of the mighty \$\$\$
Barry Fleming	Damascus, MD	2013-08-30	Love this area, love Little Bennett Creek and Park. I do volunteer work with Parks Dept and this area is a treasure for MD and Montgomery County.
David Heiser	North Potomac, MD	2013-08-30	We need to preserve what's left of the natural beauty of Montgomery County and preserve our drinking water source, especially since other areas of the country are running out of water. As another citizen stated, preserving clean water is much easier and cheaper than the expense of cleaning it after the fact.
Joseph Byrnes	Columbia, MD	2013-08-30	Preserving what is left of our natural habitat for future generations.
carol simon	potomac, MD	2013-08-30	This is our world forever. If we don't protect it, who will?
Noel Tavano	Frederick, MD	2013-08-30	We must leave some homes for wildlife otherwise we will regret it. Our children will have no nature to nourish them. There are enough homes and stores for people in Montgomery County already. Develop only on already developed land.
Elizabeth Jones	Bethesda, MD	2013-08-30	Protecting our natural resources and in particular our drinking water supplies should be considered a top priority.
Jewell Stoddard	Chevy Chase, MD	2013-08-30	Over 50 years we have watched with sorrow as one stream after another polluted or cemented in or over because developers paid insufficient attention to the need to preserve our natural environment. Please ensure the continued health of Ten Mile Creek.
Marcia Goldberg	Silver Spring, MD	2013-08-30	Why not? Clean water is actually one of our most valuable health resources in the world.
Elizabeth Johnson	Chevy Chase, MD	2013-08-30	Clean water is getting scarce - we have to protect what's left
Mark traversa	potomac, MD	2013-08-30	I live near Watts Branch and I would hate to see Ten Mile Creek damaged as much as Watts Branch which the level of development would cause.

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Lisa Sohn	Silver Spring, MD	2013-08-30	Clean water is essential for life. If we don't protect the creek NOW we will not get a chance later.
Elizabeth Nyhus	Kensington, MD	2013-08-30	clean water is important for all the animals of the region - especially humans.
Joanne Vorburger	Gaithersburg, MD	2013-08-30	Water quality is part of the equation of our quality of life. And we need to preserve our water and surrounding environment for posterity.
connie cissel	THURMONT, MD	2013-08-30	To protect the water for all the years to come and for the wildlife who need the creek.
Kathryn Leedy	Clarksburg, Netherlands	2013-08-30	Clean water is essential for everyone. We must protect Ten Mile Creek for future generations. If we mess up the creek now, we cannot get it back in the future.
Carol Hall	Rockville, MD	2013-08-30	We must protect our last water supply. Developers have gobbled up most of the county. We do not need them at Ten Mile Creek.
Laude Baer	Clarksburg, MD	2013-08-30	We are the stewards of the land we temporarily occupy. It's better to focus on preserving the natural beauty of a resource that evolved for thousands of years, than trying to remake everything. A Clarksburg Village Retail Center, occupying 109,000 sq ft is already under construction. It is expected to serve the shopping needs of 40,000 residents within a 3 mile radius. It is located on Newcut Road with easy access from Rts 355 & 27. It is grocery and restraint anchored. However, the currently used sediment collections ponds are not effective. Sediment flows into all the streams of the watershed for 10 mile creek and Seneca creek.
Heather Pierce	Montgomery Village, MD	2013-08-30	Protect our wild places.
Naomi Bloch	Potomac, MD	2013-08-30	This is important to me because we cannot (should not) think of human communities as separate and apart from nature and it's viability. In fact, I find it ironic how often people will choose a place to live for it's beauty, only to set about destroying that same beauty once they are there. PLEASE do NOT do that again! Save Ten Miles Creek! Do NOT ruin another essential watershed!
Michael Gravitz	Chevy Chase, MD	2013-08-30	In this, one of the wealthiest, smartest counties in the US, the Council and Planning Board have collectively made development decisions leading to the near death of most of local creeks and polluting the Bay. Ten Mile Creek is our LAST, BEST creek. There are no other others that you can trash. So don't experiment with this one by relying on useful but ultimately unproven (at this scale) technologies and designs to reduce, not eliminate, pollution from development. Keep our water supply and the supply for over 3 million others in DC-MD-VA as clean as possible. Little Seneca Lake is already being polluted by prior development. Don't kill it. You've already closed Lakes Needwood and Frank this summer due to toxic algal blooms. Will Little Seneca be next? Mike Gravitz
Judith Fogt	Bethesda, MD	2013-08-30	we need to stop destroying and threatening our natural sites

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Tenley Wurglitz	Washington, DC	2013-08-30	Too many of our region's creeks have already been degraded by development. This is a rare opportunity to protect a creek that is in good health and one that provides an ESSENTIAL resource to our region--clean water. Despite what the developers may say, Ten Mile Creek will be degraded if these development proposals are allowed to move forward. Environmental Site Design and other engineering fixes will not be able to mitigate all the impacts of increased development and impervious surface in the watershed. We must make a choice--do we want to develop the watershed of our healthiest stream (one that the entire region relies on) knowing full well that the health of the creek will be severely impacted or do we protect the creek and put development where it's needed and promised--in Clarksburg Town Center? The right choice is clear--fully protect Ten Mile Creek! It's our last, best creek. We only have ONE healthy creek left and it is irreplaceable!
Lee Paul	Mount Airy, MD	2013-08-30	I teach in Clarksburg
Christina Ginsberg	Rockville, MD	2013-08-30	There is no imperative need that mandates destroying one of the few pristine places in the County.
Jo Padgett	Dickerson, MD	2013-08-30	Once our natural resources are polluted, it will cost millions to try and fix them, and never get it back. Stop development from encroaching on the only little agricultural, natural acres left in Montgomery County.
David Dunnell	Kensington, MD	2013-08-30	The ecology ALWAYS has been and ALWAYS will be important to me.
MISHELLE CARRICK	POOLESVILLE, MD	2013-08-30	I enjoy the state park and creek nearly everyday of my life living adjacent to it, that's why it's important to me.
Seth Heilman	Germantown, MD	2013-08-31	This directly impacts me, my property, my family, and my well-being.
Curt Reimann	Clarksburg, MD	2013-08-31	Health, safety and quality of life in this region are critical to my family and community.
arlie siebert	Scotland, MD	2013-08-31	Montgomery has history of ruining beautiful spaces. soccerfields instead of grain fields (Black Rodk) , homes next to seneca creek. Rich developers seeking to get richer will do what they can to take the most beautiful places and sell the houses and commerical sapaces to people who are careless about nature.
Robert Posner	Bethesda, MD	2013-08-31	I walked along this pristine stream, glorying in the tranquility and freshness of the water. Please don't permit development to despoil this idyllic stream.
Charlotte Brewer	Chevy Chase, MD	2013-08-31	All waters MUS be protected
Lorna V. Pardo	Montgomery Village, MD	2013-08-31	It is important to preserve the environment. There is already too much expansion/development in Clarksburg.
Joyce Breiner	Poolesville, MD	2013-09-01	Protection of Poolesville drinking water
JON Landenburger	rockville, MD	2013-09-01	we need cleanwater. we have too many water sources destroyed for life and in some case not evencleanable for drinking
Spencer Gordon Jr	Chevy Chase, MD	2013-09-01	Montgomery County is losing our quality of life as developers are being allowed to turn our streams into poluted storm sewers.
Lori Stalbaum	Silver Spring, MD	2013-09-02	We must protect our natural resources. Developments can be planned but not at the expense of the environment. If this development will create a toxic situation, then the Board and the builders need to sit down and come up with a new solution. We cannot allow urban sprawl to grow at the expense of the environment. Think before you act as once you destroy a natural resource, you can never get it back - are townhouses really worth that? I don't think so.
Margaret Lovell	Stevensville, MD	2013-09-02	I lived in the area of Ten Mile Creek for years. Such a shame to see the area further degraded with yet another commercial venture.

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Ann-Mari Gemmill	Takoma Park, MD	2013-09-03	Please save Ten Mile Creek from development, for the sake of future generations.
Eric Keen	Coral Gables, FL	2013-09-03	Montgomery Count has plenty of development, but once destroyed, Ten Mile Creek cannot be replaced. Don't allow the destruction of this resource!
Doug Harbit	Freeland, MD	2013-09-03	Preserving water quality is essential
Sandy Barrier	Clarksburg, MD	2013-09-03	I have lived in the Boyds Clarksburg most of my life. I grew up playing in 10 Mile creek. and the country side surrounding it. Lets not waste our last Clean Montgomery County water resource. We owe this to our residents who rely on it, and our future residents.
Yaseman Mirmozaffari	Clarksburg, MD	2013-09-03	Responsible and sound decisions should always trump avarice. It is vital to secure our futures and quality of life instead of our current pockets.
Melissa Yorks	Gaithersburg, MD	2013-09-03	If the developers don't have the money to keep the promises they made (in writing!) to finish the town center how do they have money to build houses that destroy a creek?
Alcira Aldana Colon	Germantown, MD	2013-09-03	I live in the area and very much enjoy the local creeks with my children and dog
Gail Harris	damascus, MD	2013-09-03	I live within minutes of Ten Mile. This creek must be protected.
Daniel Moore	Gaithersburg, MD	2013-09-03	I just moved to Montgomery County from Utah. I love the desert I came from, but I'm very excited to explore the woodlands here. I've been very impressed with Maryland's commitment to protecting its natural treasures especially with the pressure of such a large population in such a small area. Please protect the pristine areas that remain and continue to be an example to other states regarding wise resource management.
sandra purohit	Washington, DC	2013-09-03	We need to protect our water systems. They have been run over by development for far too long. Enough is enough.
anne cinque	boyds, MD	2013-09-03	It's important to me for the same reason that it's important to the other 4.3 million people!
Ruth Ridgely	Clarksburg, MD	2013-09-03	It is important to preserve and protect our dwindling natural resources. Also important is to keep your promise to first develop the Clarksburg Town Center. MC Native and former resident of Clarksburg Town Center...
Joseph Dulany	Rockville, MD	2013-09-03	Endangering water supplies is not prudent. The decision to build should be based upon more than economics and should include need and risk factors.
Peter Haupt	Montgomery Village, MD	2013-09-03	We need to think more responsibly about the long-term impact of development.
seema agrawal	boyds, MD	2013-09-03	traffic will increase dramatically, in this already overburdened area
Dimple Patel	Boys, MD	2013-09-03	I live in this area.
Deborah St.Ours	Boys, MD	2013-09-03	Because I've lived in the 10 Mile Creek watershed for 35 years, and have watched unbridled development turn a beautiful, 200 year old historic agricultural landscape into an industrial moonscape.
Mona Khalatbari	Gaithersburg, MD	2013-09-03	This is the lake I always played in as a child.... this is where I go to relax...it's what MAKES montgomery county look beautiful.... we have ENOUGH modernized commercial places.... we DO NOT NEED ANYMORE...especially in this natural area... THINK of the animals..... PLEASE.
peter hill	frankfort, MI	2013-09-03	i work on watershed issues and realize the impact of development such as this to local waterbodies
Mario Ernesto	san Francisco, CA	2013-09-03	Protection of the environment, is vital
Michael Bucci	Gaithersburg, MD	2013-09-03	Once it's gone, it's gone and it won't be coming back.
Renee Lauren Bogdan	Germantown, MD	2013-09-03	This is a beautiful area and should be kept that way.

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Katara Aleem	Gaithersburg, MD	2013-09-03	As a leader in the public sector, it is part of my core values to be a steward of public financial and ecological assets. Our health is dependent on balanced ecosystems and development that supports our ecosystems.
Elaine Silver	Clarksburg, MD	2013-09-03	I live in Clarksburg, love hiking, and love drinking clean water. And I want my kids and their kids to have a cleaner environment than we do today. Thank you!
Gavin St. Ours	San Francisco, CA	2013-09-03	I grew up with Ten Mile Creek in my backyard. The experiences I had there in the woods, learning about the ecosystem, the water supply, nature, and science, shaped who I have become. It would be a tragedy to harm the wildlife there and rob other kids of the chances I had to learn about our world.
Geraldine Burgess	Gaithersburg, MD	2013-09-03	Clean water will ultimately prove to be more valuable for future residents of Montgomery County. Please protect Ten Mile Creek.
Eric Jodts	Germantown, MD	2013-09-03	I frequent Black Hill Regional Park and run along the trails of Little Seneca Lake's shores several times a week. We cannot allow Little Seneca Lake (an important water supply) to be polluted from the run off of this proposed development. And, honestly, do we really need more outlet malls?
Linda Farwell	Gaithersburg, MD	2013-09-03	The environment is relied upon by every living creature. Where will we go when we've made the earth uninhabitable. It is selfishness and greed that makes people forget that future generations need us to act responsibly.
Zaheer Parvez	Boyd's, MD	2013-09-03	I do not want to see a graveyard of concrete and iron bars in our environment.
Harvard Morehead	Gaithersburg, MD	2013-09-03	The developers have repeatedly reneged on promises; they need to be held accountable.
Sandy Hutto	Clarksburg, MD	2013-09-03	Protecting this vital natural resource from development is ESSENTIAL for thousands of MoCo residents not just for those of us in Clarksburg! We do not NEED a 2nd outlet mall, but we DO need clean, sustainable water NOW & for the future!! Please represent US, the residents, who TRULY care about the quality of life in MoCo!! Thank you.
Amanda Williams	Poolesville, MD	2013-09-03	We need to keep our natural water sources. We don't need more housing built. Fix up the sub-standard housing that's already built and not being taken care of.
Ruth Moss	Gaithersburg, MD	2013-09-03	So few pristine wild places left, so many malls.
Susan Gellert	Laytonsville, MD	2013-09-03	Water quality and maintenance of a pristine area should not be sacrificed to this development. Instead provide the Town Center that will enhance the lives of current and future residents.
Michael Brown	Germantown, MD	2013-09-03	There is a reason MD resisted the urban sprawl that has decimated NOVA...and nothing about that sentiment has changed.
Mark Kreider	Clarksburg, MD	2013-09-03	There needs to be limits to the development that's occurring. At the rate things are progressing so much additional roadwork will have to be done to accommodate all the expansion, there's no way this can be protected.
louise bradley	Clarksburg, MD	2013-09-03	No infrastructure to deal with traffic and we cannot reverse the damage to ten mile creek once it happens and it will happen!!!
Rebecca Heimbach	Clarksburg, MD	2013-09-03	Please limit the amount of homes and shopping areas. The proposed outlet mall on the west side of 270 makes more sense than one on the east side and we certainly do not need both. Please consider the environment, traffic, and the completion of the Town Center as priorities. Thank you!
Patricia Kelly	Boyd's, MD	2013-09-03	On a well and want to ensure clean drinking and bathing water!



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Elizabeth Forrest	Clarksburg, MD	2013-09-03	Disastrous to our wells and back-up water supply and there is no way it can be protected by the amount of impervious surface they intend to build on and they will destroy Town Center and make this town a large parking lot of back-up vehicles. It is sad what Montgomery County in it's greed for political money will do.
Stephen Kohn	Potomac, MD	2013-09-03	I'm against over development and it's negative effects on the environment.
Kelly Alvarez	Clarksburg, MD	2013-09-03	Ten Mile Creek should be protected. Local residents aren't demanding outlet malls which could destroy this area. We will be paying the price of any damage, so the council should listen to our requests. There are other alternatives to building - namely in the Clarksburg town center, which is under-utilized as it is!
Doug Bradshaw	Clarksburg, MD	2013-09-03	It's true - Clarksburg Town Square sits vacant - since before 2004! Why???
Pasimani Fryauff	Gaithersburg, MD	2013-09-03	back up water supply for 4.3 Million people. This is disturbing to say the least.
Karl Auel	Poolesville, MD	2013-09-03	Please consider the 4.3 million people that depend on this water supply and the Clarksburg residents that were promised better.
Emmanuelle Oustry	ROckville, MD	2013-09-03	Please keep the water clean!
Natasha Bautista	Gaithersburg, MD	2013-09-03	Because nature is becoming scarce in Montgomery County and it needs to be saved!
S Winkler	Washington Grove, MD	2013-09-03	I do not live in the immediately affected area, but I live in the county. Please keep our waters clean and preserve as much mature forest as possible, for our health and our future health.
Linda Abbott	Boys, MD	2013-09-03	Providing Clarksburg residents with the Town Center and the amenities they were promised can and should proceed and are NOT dependent on the Ten Mile Creek issue. Previous testing in 2009 found that construction in Clarksburg Town Center already degraded the water quality in Ten Mile Creek so it is foolish to think that any amount of disturbance ON TOP OF THE WATERSHED will not further degrade Ten Mile Creek. PLEASE treat this as the valuable resource that it is. Protect Ten Mile Creek from any further development so we have quality water available to us when we need it. Little Seneca Lake was already tapped during severe droughts in 1999 and 2002.
Linda Panchura	Boys, MD	2013-09-03	We live in the agricultural preserve. The area should definitely be protected from the over development that is going on. How many more cars do we need on the road up here?
John Fitzgerald	Boys, MD	2013-09-03	Creek touches well water and county water.
Susan Goletz	Clarksburg, MD	2013-09-03	This last bastion of Montgomery County is going to get gobbled up and ruin Ten Mile Creek and add more traffic and pollution to this area. Please make the right and best decision to protect our waters!
Willis Van Devanter	Poolesville, MD	2013-09-03	Having grown up in this area I simply don't understand why development decisions should ignore fragile environmental areas and refrain from encouraging development in areas like Clarksville that want and need it.
Todd Evans	Boys, MD	2013-09-03	I hike the stream and want to see it preserved for my children. I doubt they will remember the days at the outlet mall like our days in the woods.
Silvia Martinez	Orlando, FL	2013-09-04	This is where my friend takes hers dogs.
Linda Galantin	Montgomery Village, MD	2013-09-04	perserving our creeks is very important to me
Grace Whitman	Barnesville, MD	2013-09-04	I want 10 mile creek protected plus the development in Clarksburg is a disaster already and the current dev't plans will compound the poor design already there.

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Ann Ferrero	Rockville, MD	2013-09-04	Montgomery County needs clean drinking water, NOT more development, sprawl and shopping malls!
arnel esposo	clarksburg, MD	2013-09-04	this my home, it's for the future generation
Susie Evans	Boys, MD	2013-09-04	Because it is in my back yard and it is beautiful and should be protected.
Rick Albert	Gaithersburg, MD	2013-09-04	The crazy rush to develop has to stop. There are too many people using up the natural resources in Montgomery County now. We do not need more houses adding more people's waste to our environment, more runoff into our waterways, and more cars on our undersized roads.
Susan Davis	Takoma Park, MD	2013-09-04	It's the right thing to do; it protects our wildlife and natural resources, we only have now to save precious water source - it cannot be undone once harmed
Barbara Harrison	Bethesda, MD	2013-09-04	The Clarksburg development has been awful so far - residents have not received promised local shopping (NOT an outlet mall), rules were broken and the landscape despoiled. Now, plans will continue the ugly development AND potentially degrade a water resource. Time to step back and think again!
Richard Wilder	Montgomery Village, MD	2013-09-04	Development is overtaking our green spaces in Montgomery County and there seems to be a low priority to protect them.
Veronica Poland	Clarksburg, MD	2013-09-04	Clarksburg has always been a safe and great environment to raise our children. Montgomery County has broken many promises to the upper county residents. We are/were the last beautiful part of Maryland. We do not need to be another Germantown. I'm sorry to say that it seems like our county board is more interested in making money than keeping our environment safe for the next generations.
Natalie Knight	North Potomac, MD	2013-09-04	It's critical to protect our natural resources now and for the future of our children. A greater being put these resources on Earth for us to enjoy and respect, not to destroy.
kim stoops	chambersburg, PA	2013-09-04	that creek was near my old house, we used to spend hours their playing and enjoying nature.
Elizabeth Manegold	Chevy Chase, MD	2013-09-04	Do not degrade Ten Mile Creek!
Laura Markus	Germantown, MD	2013-09-05	This is one of the last healthy water ways. There are better alternatives. We need this backup water supplt. 4.3 million people depend on it as well as the wildlife it sustains. Stop destroyingone of the last remaining agricultural areas in Montgomery County. No wonder people are leaving this county as fast as they can. STOP IT!
Frank Markus	Germantown, MD	2013-09-05	All this area was to be for agricultural use only. Why then are you planning to put more homes instead of cows and deer? What is going to happen to the fresh water we drink? Ways for the people in clarksburg to travel should have been thought of before you decided to build. Please think hard before you build any more. Thank you.
Norman Mease	Boys, MD	2013-09-05	I feel like it is my creek!
Michael Ourand	ROCKVILLE, MD	2013-09-05	The county is overdeveloped right now. Please preserve what little soil, woods, and water we have left.
Sally Sherman	Washington, DC	2013-09-05	Why Wouldn't a clean water supply be vitally important? It is a primary requirement for life.
Angela Macau	Damascus, MD	2013-09-05	We need more nature and less malls. We also need to start considering the tremendous importance of our waterways.
Kevin Hutto	Clarksburg, MD	2013-09-05	Drinking water quality and preservation

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George Neighbors	Silver Spring, MD	2013-09-05	Enjoying one of the last pristine areas of Montgomery County is a priority over development. I treasure my morning walks along Sligo Creek which 50 years ago was swimmable, but alas now is contaminated by WSSC's sewers and road runoff.
David Gill	Gaithersburg, MD	2013-09-05	We need to protect Montgomery Counties resources for future generation.
Laura Calvert	Adamstown, MD	2013-09-05	The Ten Mile Creek watershed is home to some of the most beautiful wildlife areas in Montgomery County, and the surrounding DC area. Developing along and around this creek will strain the water capacity of the current stream and lead to drastic changes in the overall watershed quality. I am fully supportive to conserving this entire watershed which provides numerous economic and non-monetary benefits to the surrounding regions. The current proposed development plan will be detrimental to the water resources and all that depend on them.
skip coblyn	clarksburg, MD	2013-09-05	As a 17 year resident of Clarksburg, I have been anticipating the development of a town center in the originally proposed location - In Clarksburg - which has been put on the back burner for a decade. I am appalled to learn that greedy developers are considering snatching up even more of the valued Agricultural Reserve to increase sprawl, and bypass a project location that was already approved. I STRONGLY OPPOSE this new development!!!!
Robin Coblyn	Clarksburg, MD	2013-09-05	I am a 17 year resident of Clarksburg and one of the most appealing aspects of the area I live in (the Agricultural Reserve) is the preservation of open space. It was/is bad enough the amount of development that has happened these last years to the west of Little Bennett Park and the originally proposed commercial area was questionable but at least did not involve sacrificing any additional open land of the Agricultural Reserve to (over)development. So far the development has caused horrible traffic and pollution, air, water, light and noise, and little thought, planning or construction of roads or services was done even though promised. I seriously doubt that destroying more open space for development would enhance anyone's lives in this critical area.
Noah Matson	Takoma Park, MD	2013-09-05	We have plenty development, but only one Ten-Mile healthy creek.
Sandra Gill	Gaithersburg, MD	2013-09-05	Black Hills Lake is fed by 10 Mile Creek. Poor construction and average or below mitigation strategies will pollute the creek and lake.
Bonnie Mulligan	Lanham, MD	2013-09-05	The health of water and our water supply matters to every resident of Maryland.
Amber Shryer	Walkersville, MD	2013-09-05	Healthy water is important to us all
Sharon Garlena	Frederick, MD	2013-09-05	We need to protect our environment!
Patricia Charles	Takoma Park, MD	2013-09-05	It is important that we preserve the area's water.
Mary Massey	Silver Spring, MD	2013-09-05	Clean water is rare these days. We need to protect EVERYTHING in our environment to preserve the health of our planet and its residents!
Kolya Braun-Greiner	Takoma Park, MD	2013-09-05	Our drinking water is the most precious resource for all life. We must not jeopardize its purity for present and future generations.
Robert Goo	Takoma Park, MD	2013-09-05	Please preserve Ten Mile Creek. Full restoration is almost impossible to achieve so we need to preserve the intact parts of our ecosystems. Our water sources and waterbodies are critical to our sustainability. Montgomery County and the planning board should ensure this resource is not degraded in anyway for the future generations of Americans. Check out EPA's Healthy Watershed Initiative for more information on this subject.
Michael Lucy	Silver Spring, MD	2013-09-05	Protecting this stream is vital to the county, our family and children. Please protect it!

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Jeffrey Hunt	Boys, MD	2013-09-05	To keep the woods and water clean for my children.
Nancy Somerville	Kensington, MD	2013-09-05	Protection of the water supply and watershed quality are critical to our communities.
Doris Tennyson	Silver Spring, MD	2013-09-05	Water resources continue toward scarcity. At this date we are over 2 inches short of needed rainfall. Please protect 10-mile creek as a back-up water supply for Montgomery County.
Jeff Truesdale	Gaithersburg, MD	2013-09-05	I oppose sprawl that ruins this beautiful place.
Marie Soveroski	Rockville, MD	2013-09-05	Because we need to protect what clean water we have left!
Ricardo Loaiza	Silver Spring, MD	2013-09-05	This is important to me because I live in Montgomery County and we need to protect the ten mile creek as its residents.
Ellen Wheatley	Silver Spring, MD	2013-09-05	My children have grown up cleaning trash out of Sligo Creek. My oldest son once caught a deformed fish in Northwest Branch. Ten Mile Creek is not only a natural beauty, it is also an important tributary to 4.3 million people in the DC region's emergency drinking water supply. Please fully protect Ten Mile Creek. No level of degradation is acceptable.
Amy Royden-Bloom	Bethesda, MD	2013-09-05	Clean drinking water is in scarce supply
Christine Slater	Silver Spring, MD	2013-09-05	We must protect our water resources. Once contaminated, there's no going back. We need to slow it down. Further, putting more development in Clarksburg, which already is totally lacking in sustainable transportation/transit is another argument against this development proposal. This is the wrong place to be building. Revive the Town Center instead.
Judy Smith	Ijamsville, MD	2013-09-06	While not a Montgomery County resident Clarksburg is almost in my back yard. When will developer interests, special interests and more urban sprawl begin to take a back seat to basic common sense? When do the powers that be open their eyes to the potential damage to Ten Mile Creek and think of protecting this natural resource and the back up water supply for over 4 million current residents. Please think long and hard on this. Thank you.
Martina Childress	Silver Spring, MD	2013-09-06	nature over bricks
Woody Brosnan	Silver Spring, MD	2013-09-06	This protects the water supply and limits development.
Ken Hewitt	Boys, MD	2013-09-06	overbuilding this area
Diane Rosenberg	Bethesda, MD	2013-09-06	We don't need another strip mall. We need reliable drinking water.
Sherry Meyers	Silver Spring, MD	2013-09-06	We need to protect what little pristine nature we have left!
Suzanne Tolford	Silver Spring, MD	2013-09-06	The people should have the final word in these things as to what is more important than a shopping mall.
D Walto	Bethesda, MD	2013-09-06	With more and more of our waters becoming polluted and our population still growing, the need for clean, safe water is only going to increase. Please be mindful of this when building yet another shopping center - More is not always better, except when it affects our existence as in the case of clean water.
Kathryn Westra	Silver Spring, MD	2013-09-06	We will only have one chance to get this right--for the residents of Clarksburg, who deserve the services they have been promised for a livable community--and for all of us who rely on the Ten Mile Creek watershed for a safe, clean backup drinking water supply. If the Ten Mile Creek watershed is developed as proposed, we have lost both quality of life for Clarksburg residents, and clean water for all of us. It's more important to protect the common good than to line developers' pockets at the expense of our environment!
Richard Arsenault	Germantown, MD	2013-09-06	I hike the watershed area regularly.
Beth Reed Brady	Boys, MD	2013-09-07	I am a resident of Boys and our home backs to ten mile.

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Pamela Wilkins	Boys, MD	2013-09-07	I live here! We have a well, and we certainly do not want to pay for a waterline connection, should our well be affected by this massive development.
William Renner	Germantown, MD	2013-09-07	This development will degrade Ten Mile Creek. Planners have not made developers provide adequate shopping and services for existing residents of Clarksburg.
George Stephens	Silver Spring, MD	2013-09-07	The County government's support of reasonable levels of development (an egregiously misused term) on an important watershed would somewhat lessen my growing certitude that the representatives I voted for on the basis of stated progressive policies are, in fact, solidly in the pockets of development companies, such as Pulte.
Chris Richardson	Silver Spring, MD	2013-09-07	Water is a vital resource without which we cannot survive. It's really that simple. Montgomery County - do the right thing and protect the people, not the developers.
Art slesinger	North Potomac, MD	2013-09-07	There is only one pristine creek ecosystem left in the county, better preserve before it is too late
Katherine Mack	Takoma Park, MD	2013-09-07	Development around Clarksburg has NOT been well planned or supervised. Ten Mile Creek should be protected from this threat.
Kathryn Rushing	Silver Spring, MD	2013-09-07	Once lost, this resource cannot be recovered. A shopping mall can be built in an infinite number of locations and may not even stand the test of time in terms of economic importance, shopping habits, or civic relevance.
Andrea Schran	Malvern, PA	2013-09-07	I want to ensure that our water resources are protected and that everything possible is being done to protect the world in which we live in. Too much development results in polluted waters and destruction of the eco system, which is critical in keeping this earth alive. I visit often to the Maryland/DC area and have for many years and would like to continue knowing that the environment will be protected for generations to come.
John Yassin	Potomac, MD	2013-09-07	What could be more important than clean water. What could be worse than overdevelopment
S Richards	Derwood, MD	2013-09-07	In this day and age where more and more of the country is going through really bad droughts and more and more water is being contaminated with fracking chemicals all water sources especially back up sources are critical to not just the county but the country.
Dianne Whitaker	MD, MD	2013-09-07	Ten Mile Creek is part of the Little Seneca Lake/Stream system and source of our drinking water. I love to kayak at Black Hills Park. Ruining this creek is a crime against those of us who drink this water. and enjoy its beauty.
Patricia Barth	Charlottesville, VA	2013-09-07	Water is crucial to our survival! We do not need development near the headwaters of Ten Mile Creek!
Douglas Sward	Ellicott City, MD	2013-09-07	This is one of many critical decisions to protecting our Earth. We should never sell out to the selfish wants of financiers and developers. Their short-sighted desires should never be allowed to hurt our Earth. We must applied intelligence to these very important decisions. Thank you.
Yvonneke Weitzel	Boys, MD	2013-09-07	10 mile Creek is a crucial ecosystem for our environment. It is a sustainable water supply to many and habitat to many living organisms vital to our environment. It's beauty is undeniable and offers hiking, trail riding and recreational fishing. This is one of my favorite places. It has one of the best scenery that this area has to offer. Our family enjoys the trails to hike and my daughter and I enjoy the trails to ride on horseback. It would be devastating to see this ecosystem destroyed for development.
Van Mertz	Bethesda, MD	2013-09-07	To lose a clean water source for the many to benefit the few is greed.

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Virginia Barnes	Potomac, MD	2013-09-07	Clean water is essential. No going back once it is degraded.
Jesse Goodman	Bethesda, MD	2013-09-07	I ask my elected Council to put a stop to this Pulte Homes project in any form that degrades our environment and our watershed and water supply. Please carefully examine this issue and rather than settling for continued and worsening degradation of Montgomery County communities and our human and natural environment, fulfil your promises to voters, rather than to developers who will just move on to wreck the next part of our communities. All the talk of assessments and controls is just that, talk, talk which has been paid for by these same interests. I ask my County Council to show that your promises to voters to protect our environment and our communities mean something. We don't need more sprawling developments replacing farms and forest, damaging watershed and habitat for animals and birds, increasing driving and traffic, and adding to pollution and global warming and local degradation. Please show both intelligence and courage. Thanks.
Joel teitelbaum	silver spring, MD	2013-09-07	Montgomery County people need untainted water of 10-mile Creek. Developers must not destroy our essential natural amenities
Christine Parker	Bethesda, MD	2013-09-07	Because clean water and clean air are pretty basic needs.
Lawrence Hush	Silver Spring, MD	2013-09-08	Natural areas must be protected from excessive and poorly designed development. This is needed to ensure a healthy environment for all.
Balazs Horvath	Washington, DC	2013-09-08	it is important not only for me, but everybody in the region. The planet is filling up fast with pollution - let's try to protect at least what we can!
Karen Howland	Silver Spring, MD	2013-09-08	Protecting our water ways is essential for the long-term health of our county and country.
Ann Fieldhouse	Silver Spring, MD	2013-09-08	I am a teacher and I teach chemistry and environmental science to students. This creek needs to be protected for habitat and for our drinking water.
Linda Rieger	Potomac, MD	2013-09-08	Mainly it is to protect our water supply, but it is important to leave pristine areas for other reasons for our environment and to protect the ecosystem. There are flora and fauna in the area that must be recognized as important as well.
Janet Moulton	Rockville, MD	2013-09-08	Because we drink water
Carolyn Talcott	Bethesda, MD	2013-09-08	Once the mistake is made - the groundwater contaminated, the creek polluted - there is no going back to fix it. Though the development may not be a matter of intentional ill-will, it is a matter of very poor judgment and short-range thinking. Those can just as clearly cause irreparable harm. Protect Ten Mile Creek from all development and avoid the empty regrets that will follow.
Beth Forbes	Bethesda, MD	2013-09-08	Water quality impacts us all.
Jean Goertner	Silver Spring, MD	2013-09-09	All our waterways need to be protected, especially those that are used for drinking, both for people and wildlife. One would hope that all our streams are clean enough for wildlife and people to drink from.
Doug Hinrichs	Silver Spring, MD	2013-09-09	As a society, we must protect what is dear and valuable to us--including this incredible, soul-enriching, highly-valued stretch of riparian nature.
Martha Ehlman	Mt Airy, MD	2013-09-09	I grew up less than a mile from Ten Mile Creek. My father, Don Maxey, gave countless hours protecting this watershed from countless threats. He was instrumental in the designation of the Monocacy Sole Source Aquifer. Please do not let his lifetime commitment to keep this water safe be in vain. Please don't allow this area to be destroyed with over development. It will not turn out well for the 4.3 million who count on the recharge area for their source of clean water.

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Rebecca Wolf	Odenton, MD	2013-09-09	We have few pristine areas left in the state. Over half of our rivers are in poor condition. We need to protect what we have for ourselves, our children, and wildlife.
Darlene Robbins	Silver Spring, MD	2013-09-09	<p>I believe that there are some areas that are just too important to put any development on, and that Ten Mile Creek is one of these areas that deserve full protection. Allowing development in a critical watershed is short sighted and counter to the intent of the original plan for that area, nor will it benefit all county residents. I want to see a watershed management plan in place that recognizes Ten Mile Creek for what it is—a critical source of clean drinking water for the region, in fact our last clean source in the county—and affords it permanent protection.</p> <p>Montgomery County is home to over one million people, and growing. We need to ensure reliable, healthy, clean sources of drinking water to serve all residents. This need will only continue to grow as our population grows. We do not need another Watts Branch debacle. That waterway is so fouled that the WSSC has taken it out of service and now seeks to extend a pipe further into the Potomac River to extract more water—a hugely expensive proposal that could have been avoided if we'd taken more care of our streams and tributaries. Do not add Ten Mile Creek to the list of impaired waterways that can no longer serve as a drinking water source.</p> <p>Again, there are some places that are just too important to develop, for social, environmental and economic reasons, and the Ten Mile Creek watershed is unquestionably such place. I want to see the protection of this important resource for all residents of the region.</p>
Catherine Maynor	Washington, DC	2013-09-09	I care about preserving Montgomery County's "Last, Best Stream" not only because it is a critical source of clean drinking water but because it is also a unique natural refuge from urban life.
Mark Dantzler	Damascus, MD	2013-09-09	Enough commercial sprawl; exercise some restraint for our childrens' future!
Pete Lavendt	Annandale, VA	2013-09-09	I live in No. Virginia and when I learned that what happens in upper Montgomery County can affect drinking water quality and supply for the whole region, I knew I had to express my concern. We need to keep our streams clean and healthy for drinking water for everyone in the region, northern Virginia included. Development has proven time and again to pollute water. Please protect this resource at all costs.

**Names and locations of " Montgomery County : Protect Ten Mile Creek - Backup Water Supply for 4.3 Million"**

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Carol Falk	Washington	District Of Columbia	20007	8/29/2013
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Elisabeth Fogt	Washington	District Of Columbia	20008	8/30/2013
Nasser Brahim	Washington, D.C.	District Of Columbia	20037	8/31/2013
Barbara D'Emilio	Washington	District Of Columbia	20011	9/1/2013
Susan Williams	Washington	District Of Columbia	20008	9/2/2013
Bobby Gravitz	Washington	District Of Columbia	20009	9/3/2013
peter hill	Washington	District Of Columbia	20002	9/3/2013
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Sally Sherman	Washington	District Of Columbia	20037	9/5/2013
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Beth Mullin	Washington	District Of Columbia	20015	9/8/2013
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Jacqueline	Messing	jacqueline@guait.com	Guait, MD	Carverville	MD	20886	NO
Cindy	Duballe	c.duballe@carverville.com	515 Elm Ave	TP	MD	20912	N
Julie	Meyer	julie@me.com	1105 Clagett Dr			20851	YES
Anne	Pitger	anne@pitger.com	8016 Beards Ave		MD	20912	YES
Jessie	Loren	jloren@smith.edu	715 Chesapeake Ave	SS	MD	20910	NO
Heaven	Wilkins	williams.kenneth@pg.com	204 Taylor Ave	TP	MD	20912	NO
John	Smarterling	john@smarterling.com	2704 Ardmore Dr	CC	MD	20815	Y
Rena	Bernard	RBernard@2.com	11	11	11	11	N

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PETITIONING MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLANNING BOARD - SAVE TEN MILE CREEK, BACKUP WATER SUPPLY FOR 4.3 MILLION PEOPLE

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First Name	Last Name	Email Address	Street Address	City	State	Zip Code	Want to Join Ten Mile Creek mailing list?
Paul	Crumrine	pcrumrine	105 Belmont	Silver Spring	MD	20910	
Dan	Greer	greer18@verizon.net	9408 Phoenix	Silver Spring	MD	20916	
Bryndia	Krueger	krueger1410@gmail.com	510 Chesapeake	Rockville	MD	20850	As
David	Graves	graves114@gmail.com	Red Fox	SS	MD	20910	no
Frank	Jovanovic	FRED683LEVIN@gmail.com	9000 Rockledge	TP	MD	20910	
Kyle	UNNEWELL	Kyle.unnewell@gmail.com	6200 WESTCHESTER PARK DR #910	College Park	MD	20740	
James	Rapch	Mr. Rapch 14@gmail.com	Hillman, MD 20777	Hillman	MD	20777	Yes
Ellen	Eusel	ellenusel@starpower.net	8319 Rounke Ave	Takoma Park	MD	20912	no
AS	Boatz	allboyboy@gmail.com	7436 Buckley Ave.	Takoma Park	MD	20912	NO
Edna	Martin	Martin123@gmail.com	4136 Carroll Ave.	Takoma Park	MD	20912	no
David	NEUFELD	neufeld@phila.jimvalley.com	8 Hilltop Rd	Silver Spring	MD	20910	No
Cindy	Brack	cindy.brack@ahglls.org	"	"	"	"	No
Simon	Ribble	ribblec@gmail.com	"	Silver Spring	MD	20912	NO
Kim	Kelmer	Kelmer Associates	11315 Rockville	Rockville	MD	20852	NO
Carol	Simonez	simonezcarol@gmail.com	3440 Meridian	Rockville	MD	20852	no
Alvin	Constantine	Alvin.Constantine@gmail.com	608 Dole Dr	Silver Spring	MD	20910	No

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Sylvia	Klaning	Sylvia.Klaning@gmail.com	"	"	"	"	No
Sarah Jane	Marcus	sarahjane.marcus@gmail.com	6907 16th St NW Washington, DC 20012	Washington	DC	20012	Yes
Lisa S	Shaw	lisa.shaw77@gmail.com	1830 M Street NE Washington, DC 20002	Washington	DC	20002	No
Subriya	Dempsey	subriya.dempsey@gmail.com	7736 Maple Ave	Takoma Park	MD	20912	
Ray	Alievogt	ray.alievogt@gmail.com	7049 Kantau Ave 10203	"	"	20912	No
Seren	Joyce	stn.joyce@gmail.com	8485 Greenbelt Rd Greenbelt, MD 20770	Silver Spring	MD	20910	Yes
Julia	Nathan	celia.nathan@yahoo.com	7303 Kappa Dr Greenbelt, MD 20770	Greenbelt	MD	20770	Yes
Marc	Greenblatt	MARC.GREENBLATT@GMAIL.COM	8501 Greenbelt Ave Greenbelt, MD 20770	Greenbelt	MD	20770	No
Deb	Freidman	deb.freidman@gmail.com	4116 Subburg Rd Silver Spring	Silver Spring	MD	20912	Yes
Chaya	Blonder	chlonde@yahoo.com	7350 Maryland Dr Greenbelt, MD 20770	"	"	"	
Oscar	Velasco	oscarevelasco@gmail.com	7008 Aspen Ave.	Takoma Park	MD	20912	No
Eugene	Katzin	emkatzin@yahoo.com	7122 Smooth Path	Columbia	MD	21045	Yes
Peter	Doob	Peterdoob@gmail.com	321 Lincoln Arlington, VA	Arlington	VA	22212	Yes
Hellen	Gelband	hgelband@aol.com	2 P Plateau Pl.	Greenbelt	MD	20770	Yes
Susan	Stewart	greygardens50@gmail.com					

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Sharon	Levy	SLH155@juno.com	7431 Baltimore Ave.	Farmersville, MD	MD	20913	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Diana	Kohn	diana@tattoma.com	16 Jefferson	Rockville, MD	MD	20912	
RITA	WARRER	—	8712 Reading Rd.	SS. 20901			
SPM	SILVERSTEIN	SILVERSTEIN@10826 MARYGATE RD. #10826	10826 MARYGATE RD. #10826	SS 20901	MD	20901	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Greg	Wagner	greg@wagner.com	915 Wagon Wheel	SPRING	MD	20911	
Shea	Weslock	shea@weslock.com	110 Ritchie	Silver Spring	MD	20916	
Korino	Weslock	korino@weslock.com	716 Ritchie	Takoma Park	MD	20912	
Debrah	Volmer	dvolmer@verizon.net	7202 44th Street	Chase	MD	20815	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Yasmeen	Hekimoglu	Yasmeen@hkimoglu.com	14700 Berryville Road	Cermansburg	MD	20874	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Nancy	Magnum	Nancy@magnum.com	7425 Aspen Ct #202	Takoma Park	MD	20912	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Daryl	Wagner	darryl@wagner.com	1100 Sutter	TD	MD	20912	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Toni	Seal	toni@seal.com	3120 Westview	Chase	MD	20815	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Orna	Serling	Orna@serling.com	—	—	MD	20815	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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**From:** ldchang@aol.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 08, 2013 3:37 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair; dianecameron60@gmail.com  
**Subject:** TEN MILE CREEK AREA LIMITED AMENDMENT

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The Honorable Francoise Carrier  
Chair: Montgomery County Planning Board  
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Sincerely yours,

Lorna Chang Post  
12708 Running Brook Drive  
Clarksburg MD 20871



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**From:** Laura Jones <lholtjones@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 09, 2013 10:10 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Cc:** dery.paul@gmail.com

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Chair Francoise Carrier  
Montgomery County Planning Board  
9 September 2013

Dear Chair Carrier,

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Please ensure full protection of Ten Mile Creek, as you and your staff devise the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek.

Sincerely,

Laura Jones  
9101 Sligo Creek Pkwy  
Silver Spring, MD 20190

**Lane, Brittany**

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**From:** deborah hunsley <dhunsley@earthlink.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 09, 2013 8:41 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Cc:** jeancavanaugh@fastmail.fm  
**Subject:** Protect Ten Mile Creek's Drinking Water



Chair Francoise Carrier

Montgomery County Planning Board

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Sincerely,

Deborah Hunsley

4109 Fogel Lane

Silver Spring, MD 20906

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**From:** Christine Morgan <laughingmatters@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 09, 2013 4:29 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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Francoise Carrier, Chair  
Montgomery County Planning Board

RE: Ten Mile Creek

Dear Ms. Carrier,

Please do not choose commerce over conservation for this sensitive and singular site.

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Please ensure full protection of Ten Mile Creek as you and your staff devise the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek.

Sincerely,  
Christine Morgan  
Patrick A. Sidwell  
1008 Woodside Parkway  
Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

**Garcia, Joyce**

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**From:** H457@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, September 09, 2013 4:20 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Please help us to save 10 Mile Creek . . . .

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**From:** Hessie Harris <harrishessie@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 09, 2013 4:26 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Three Mile Creek

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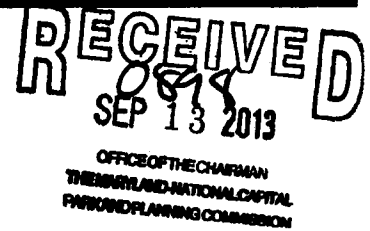
Dear Ms. Carria:

Ten Mile creek is a crucial part of the drinking water supply for 3 million people in the Greater Washington Region. Water is fundamental to life for mammals from a favorite pet to a full size family of adults and children. Development plans now being considered by the Planing Board would add more than 100 acres of hard impervious surfaces to this fragile watershed. We ask that you put the right kind of development - including transit - where it is needed in Clarksburg Town Center, not in Ten Mile Creek, where development would degrade water quality. Please insure full protection of the Ten Mile Creek, as you and your staff devise the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment. As I am sure you know, this matter is most serious. It could result in a matter of life or death. When the problem comes, the developers will not have very much concern as they will probably have gone on to their next project. Citizens will be looking to the government for respite and remedy.

**Garcia, Joyce**

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**From:** Amy Heller <ajheller@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2013 3:27 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Help Protect Ten Mile Creek



Planning Board Chair Francoise Carrier

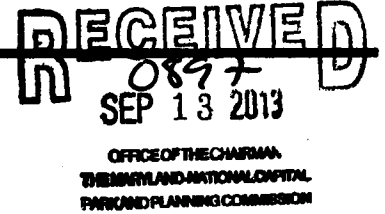
Sprawl development plans threaten the pristine Ten Mile Creek, which feeds Little Seneca Reservoir -- the emergency drinking water supply for 4.3 million Washington, DC area residents.

- Protect our area's drinking water. Ten Mile Creek feeds Little Seneca Reservoir, the emergency drinking water supply for 4.3 million Washington, DC area residents.
- Build instead a vibrant Clarksburg Town Center, where citizens have been waiting *nearly two decades* for promised amenities.
- Stop sprawl from damaging the Ten Mile Creek Watershed, which is critical to our region's groundwater supply and home to varied and diverse wildlife.

Sincerely,  
Amy Heller

**Garcia, Joyce**

**From:** Nancy Sorden <nancy.sorden@wap.org>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2013 4:11 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** protect Ten Mile Creek



Dear Madam,

- Protect our area's drinking water. Ten Mile Creek feeds Little Seneca Reservoir, the emergency drinking water supply for 4.3 million Washington, DC area residents.

Why is the risk to this water even being considered?

- Build instead a vibrant Clarksburg Town Center, where citizens have been waiting nearly two decades for promised amenities.

Any GOOD reason why this isn't being done?

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Why isn't this part of the protected area?

I hope the answer to all these questions is not the same.

And that is not significant revenues to the county or that someone will stand to make a lot of money and offer to donate to the county. Such value is meaningless if it destroys valuable ecosystems and degrades water resources.

Ecosystems provide valuable services to us. Please learn what they are and how valuable and irreplaceable they are.

Thanks much for taking action (or no action) as needed to protect Ten Mile Creek.

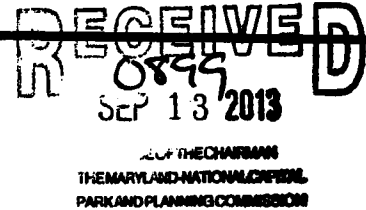
Sincerely,  
Nancy Sorden  
Kensington, MD

COPY TO: my other friends in Montgomery County who also vote



**Garcia, Joyce**

**From:** Kathleen Lathrop <k.lathrop@myactv.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2013 11:47 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek



Please protect our area's drinking water. Ten Mile Creek feeds Little Seneca Reservoir, the emergency drinking water supply for 4.3 million Washington, DC area residents.

Build instead a vibrant Clarksburg Town Center, which citizens were promised nearly two decades ago.

Stop sprawl from damaging the Ten Mile Creek Watershed, which is critical to our region's groundwater supply and home to varied and diverse wildlife.

Kathleen Lathrop

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Riley, Sandra A - Washington, DC <Sandra.A.Riley@usps.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2013 11:23 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Help Us

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Dear Ms. Carrier,

Please

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Thank you,

Sandra Riley

5809 Surrey Street

Chevy Chase, MD 20815

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**From:** margaret truman <metruman@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 11:15 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Cc:** dcameron@audubonnaturalist.org  
**Subject:** Protect Ten Mile Creek

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Chair Francoise Carrier:

Please protect our environment by doing the following:

Protect our area's drinking water. Ten Mile Creek feeds Little Seneca Reservoir, the emergency drinking water supply for 4.3 million Washington, DC area residents.

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Stop sprawl from damaging the Ten Mile Creek Watershed, which is critical to our region's groundwater supply and home to varied and diverse wildlife.

Thank you,  
Margaret E. Truman  
623 Northcliffe Drive  
Rockville, MD 20850-3025

**Garcia, Joyce**

**From:** James Fary <JimFary@earthlink.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 10:19 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Cc:** Audubon Naturalist Society  
**Subject:** 10 Mile Creek

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Dear Madam Chair,  
Please:

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Stop sprawl from damaging the Ten Mile Creek Watershed, which is critical to our region's groundwater supply and home to varied and diverse wildlife.

Thank You for your consideration,  
Jim Fary

**Garcia, Joyce**

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**From:** Karin Chambless <karincn@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 4:28 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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Dear Ms. Carrier,

I am writing to express my concern for the future of Ten Mile Creek and the Clarksburg town center. Sprawl development plans for the Clarksburg area will negatively affect the Seneca Reservoir and, consequently, the emergency drinking water supply for 4.3 million D.C. area residents.

The citizens of Clarksburg instead deserve what has been promised to them for 20 years: a vibrant Clarksburg Town Center with all the amenities that would offer.

Sprawl damages watersheds – and the Ten-Mile Creek Watershed is critical to our region's groundwater supply; it is also home to varied and diverse wildlife, which already has limited living space due to development.

Please stop sprawl and protect our drinking water, the watershed, and wildlife.

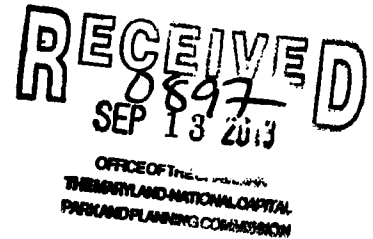
Thank you so much,

Karin Chambless  
Silver Spring

**Garcia, Joyce**

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**From:** Barbara Nash <barbnashone@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 4:23 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek



Planning Board Chair Carrier -

I am writing to urge you to act to protect Ten Mile Creek from continuing sprawl and development.

Please:

- Act to protect our area's drinking water. Ten Mile Creek feeds Little Seneca Reservoir, the emergency drinking water supply for 4.3 million Washington, DC area residents.
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Thank you for listening.

Barbara Nash  
4520 Highland Ave  
Bethesda, MD 20814

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**From:** MARY E CONWAY <conwayme@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 12:55 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Protect Ten Mile Creek

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Dear Planning Board Chair Carrier:

As a tax-paying, voting resident of Montgomery County, I wish to express my support for the Save Ten Mile Creek Coalition in its efforts to protect this watershed from pollution and runoff from sprawl development.

The purpose of town center development is to concentrate population into sustainable, walkable communities and prevent further sprawl development. This is not what is happening in Clarksburg and the Boyds area where we find ever increasing pressure from powerful developers to expand into and degrade a sensitive watershed that should be protected from development.

I urge you to approve Planning Board actions that will achieve these important objectives for Montgomery County:

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Thank you for your consideration.

Mary E. Conway  
11405 Commonwealth Dr. #301  
Rockville, MD 20852  
[conwayme@verizon.net](mailto:conwayme@verizon.net)

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**From:** Bob Moon <bobmoon2@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 2:09 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Cc:** John Sarbanes  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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Cheers,

**Bob**

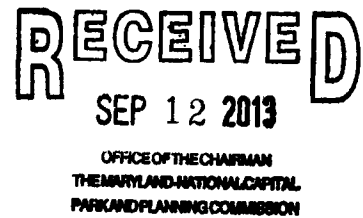
Robert Moon Architects  
Project Design Coordinators  
11117 Wood Elves Way  
Columbia, Md. 21044  
410 707 5075  
<http://www.facebook.com/ThunderHillParkAlliance>



## MCP-CTRACK

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**From:** Wood, Julie <JWood@cpsc.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 1:17 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Please Protect Ten-Mile Creek!



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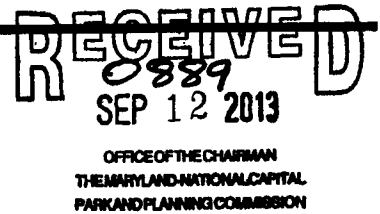
Julie M. Wood

Montgomery County Resident

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**From:** Kraemer Grace <Kraemer.Grace@pbgc.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 11:42 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek



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**From:** tforcina@aol.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 12:39 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Hearing Friday 9-13-13

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OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN  
THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL  
PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

- Dear Montgomery County Planning Board Chairwoman Carrier: As member of the Audobon Society and resident of Chevy Chase, MD, we hereby urge you to follow these recommendations at the hearing Friday, September 13, 2013:
- • Protect our area's drinking water. Ten Mile Creek feeds Little Seneca Reservoir, the emergency drinking water supply for 4.3 million Washington, DC area residents.
- Build instead a vibrant Clarksburg Town Center, where citizens have been waiting *nearly two decades* for promised amenities.
- Stop sprawl from damaging the Ten Mile Creek Watershed, which is critical to our region's groundwater supply and home to varied and diverse wildlife.

Thank you for your attention to these concerns, Teresa and Gianpiero Forcina 301-656-4470

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**From:** Jason Berry <jgbrc@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 12:50 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Save Ten Mile Creek!

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Dear Ms. Francoise Carrier,

I am writing to hope that your decision in the coming days will:

- Protect our area's drinking water. Ten Mile Creek feeds Little Seneca Reservoir, the emergency drinking water supply for 4.3 million Washington, DC area residents.
- Build instead a vibrant Clarksburg Town Center, where citizens have been waiting nearly two decades for promised amenities.
- Stop sprawl from damaging the Ten Mile Creek Watershed, which is critical to our region's groundwater supply and home to varied and diverse wildlife.

As a resident and local birdwatcher, I am VERY troubled how these proposed actions will threaten Ten Mile Creek and our quality of life.

PLEASE do the right thing and focus on the Clarksburg Town Center instead of supporting more unwanted urban sprawl.

Jason Berry  
Damascus

**Garcia, Joyce**

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**From:** Clarissa <clarissa\_gimbel@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 4:03 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Please protect the Ten Mile Creek!

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PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

Dear Planning Board Chair:

- Protect our area's drinking water. Ten Mile Creek feeds Little Seneca Reservoir, the emergency drinking water supply for 4.3 million Washington, DC area residents.
- Build instead a vibrant Clarksburg Town Center, where citizens have been waiting *nearly two decades* for promised amenities.
- Stop sprawl from damaging the Ten Mile Creek Watershed, which is critical to our region's groundwater supply and home to varied and diverse wildlife.

Thank you  
Clarissa Gimbel

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**From:** RonEnviroEd@aol.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 2:07 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** 10 mile Creek

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Please protect our area's drinking water. Ten Mile Creek feeds Little Seneca Reservoir, the emergency drinking water supply for 4.3 million Washington, DC area residents. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ron LaCoss  
3922 Isbell St.  
Wheaton, MD 20906

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**From:** Yuri Nakai <liruy@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 1:29 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek Protection

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OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN  
THE MARYLAND NATIONAL CAPITAL  
PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

Dear Ms. Carrier,

Please protect the pristine Ten Mile Creek and the emergency drinking water for 4.3 million area residents. Clean water is priceless as we cannot survive without it. Clean water will be a huge asset for everyone in the county, including future developers. Future residents will thank the foresight and action which protected the creek.

Sincerely, Yuri Nakai

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**From:** Janis Alcorn <janisalcorn@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 11:54 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek comment for hearing 13 Sept

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OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN  
THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL  
PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

Dear Madame Chair and Boardmembers,

Please protect our area's drinking water. Ten Mile Creek feeds Little Seneca Reservoir, the emergency drinking water supply for 4.3 million Washington, DC area residents. Stop sprawl from damaging the Ten Mile Creek Watershed, which is critical to our region's groundwater supply and home to varied and diverse wildlife.

Build instead a vibrant Clarksburg Town Center, where citizens have been waiting *nearly two decades* for promised amenities.

Best regards,  
Janis B. Alcorn, Ph.D.  
3508 Woodbine St.  
Chevy Chase, MD 20815



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**From:** Jerry Kickenson <jerry.kickenson@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 12:12 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Clarksburg "Limited Master Plan" for the Ten Mile Creek Watershed

Chair Francoise Carrier,

Protect our area's drinking water. Ten Mile Creek feeds Little Seneca Reservoir, the emergency drinking water supply for 4.3 million Washington, DC area residents. As I'm sure you are aware, according to the Environmental Protection Agency's Federal Register Notice announcing the designation of the Piedmont Sole Source Aquifer, Ten Mile Creek is the "sole or principal source of drinking water for such parts of these counties and that such portion of the Piedmont aquifer, if contaminated, would create a significant hazard to public health."

Several developers propose building subdivisions, commercial shopping malls, and a highway bypass in the Ten Mile Creek watershed. If the developers' proposals are approved, they will add more than double the current area of impermeable pavement and roofs to the current watershed. Stormwater management is not enough. Scientific consensus is clear: high-quality, fragile, sensitive creeks such as Ten Mile Creek begin to decline in quality even at very low levels of construction and urbanization in their watersheds.

Don't risk it! Build instead a vibrant Clarksburg Town Center, where citizens have been waiting nearly two decades for promised amenities. This will also bring jobs and economic development, but without risking Montgomery County's last, best stream and the millions of citizens who depend on it for clean water.

Thank you for your attention.

Jerry Kickenson  
1701 Ladd Street  
Silver Spring, MD 20902

**Lane, Brittany**

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**From:** Dery, Paul <Paul.Dery@gartner.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 09, 2013 8:29 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Cc:** Jones, Laura (lhjones@avaya.com); Jeancavanaugh  
**Subject:** Clarksburg

OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN  
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PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

Chair Francoise Carrier  
Montgomery County Planning Board  
8 September 2013

Dear Chair Carrier,

Ten Mile Creek is a crucial part of the drinking water supply for 3 million people in the Greater Washington Region. Development plans now being considered by the Planning Board would add more than 100 acres of hard impervious surfaces to this fragile watershed. We ask you to put the right kind of development-including transit-where it's needed in Clarksburg Town Center, not in Ten Mile Creek where development would degrade water quality.

Please ensure full protection of Ten Mile Creek, as you and your staff devise the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek.

Sincerely,

[Your name & address]

**Paul Dery**  
**9101 Sligo Creek Pkwy**  
**Silver Spring, MD 20190**

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**Sent:**  
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Cairo Eubanks <eubanks.cairo@yahoo.com>  
Sunday, September 08, 2013 8:44 PM  
MCP-Chair  
Save Ten Mile Creek

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PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

Chair Francoise Carrier  
Montgomery County Planning Board

8 September 2013

Dear Chair Carrier,

Ten Mile Creek is such a crucial part of the drinking water supply for 3 million people in our region. Development plans now being considered by the Planning Board would add more than 100 acres of hard impervious surfaces to this fragile watershed. As a citizen of Montgomery County, I implore you to put the right kind of development in Clarksburg Town Center where it is needed instead of in Ten Mile Creek where development would seriously degrade water quality.

Please ensure full protection of Ten Mile Creek, as you and your staff devise the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek.

Sincerely,

Cairo Eubanks

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**From:** Marsha Luce <marsha.luce@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 02, 2013 10:15 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN  
THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL  
PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

Dear Chair Carrier,

Ten Mile Creek is a crucial part of the drinking water supply for 3 million people in the Greater Washington Region. Development plans now being considered by the Planning Board would add more than 100 acres of hard impervious surfaces to this fragile watershed. We ask you to put the right kind of development-including transit-where it's needed in Clarksburg Town Center, not in Ten Mile Creek where development would degrade water quality. Please ensure full protection of Ten Mile Creek, as you and your staff devise the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek.

Sincerely,  
Marsha Luce  
13811 Vista Drive  
Rockville, MD 20853

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**From:** lowrycath@comcast.net  
**Sent:** Monday, September 02, 2013 5:39 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

Chair Francoise Carrier  
Montgomery County Planning Board  
September 2, 2013

Dear Chair Carrier,

Ten Mile Creek is a crucial part of the drinking water supply for 3 million people in the Greater Washington Region. Development plans now being considered by the Planning Board would add more than 100 acres of hard impervious surfaces to this fragile watershed. We ask you to put the right kind of development-including transit-where it's needed in Clarksburg Town Center, not in Ten Mile Creek where development would degrade water quality. Please ensure full protection of Ten Mile Creek, as you and your staff devise the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek.

Sincerely,

Catherine Lowry  
10209 Menlo Ave  
Silver Spring, MD 20910

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**From:** Will Durbin <willdurbin@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 30, 2013 4:22 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Please protect Ten Mile Creek

OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN  
THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL  
PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

30 August 2013

Dear Chair Carrier,

Ten Mile Creek is a vital part of the drinking water supply for three million people in the Greater Washington Region. Development plans now being considered by the Planning Board would add more than 100 acres of hard impervious surfaces to this fragile watershed. We ask you to put the right kind of development-including transit-where it's needed in Clarksburg Town Center, not in Ten Mile Creek where development would degrade water quality. Please ensure full protection of Ten Mile Creek, as you and your staff devise the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek.

Sincerely,

Spencer Durbin  
1807 Riggs PI NW  
Washington DC 20009

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**From:** ausdens@aol.com  
**Sent:** Friday, August 30, 2013 8:58 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair; county.council@montgomerycountymd.gov  
**Subject:** Clarksburg Master Plan

OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN  
THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL  
PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

Dear Chair Carrier and Planning Board Members,

Ten Mile Creek is a crucial part of the water supply for three million people in the Greater Washington Region. Development plans--ANY development--would greatly endanger the health of the creek--and the water supply of the area. Is it really possible that you are considering doing this?

Less obvious but even more important - the area between Clarksburg and Frederick is charming. What is being proposed will change that semi-rural idyll into yet more soulless suburbs. The quality of life will go down for everyone in the area.

We ask you to put in the right kind of development, including roads and transit where it is needed, in the Clarksburg Town Center. Not in the Ten Mile Creek area where development would so greatly endanger water quality and lower the quality of life.

We ask you to be sensitive to the needs of (and promises made to) Clarksburg residents for a town center and to consider the traffic nightmare that would exist on Route 355 if proposed development was enacted. Please ensure full protection of Ten Mile Creek, and do no harm to a lovely area as you and your staff decide upon the Clarksburg Master Plan Amendment.

Sincerely,

-Howard Ausden, and family

10932 Longmeadow Drive  
Damascus  
Maryland 20872

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**From:** Bob Dietsch <rcdiets@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 30, 2013 3:42 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair; county.council@montgomerycountymd.gov  
**Subject:** Clarksburg Master Plan

Dear Chair Carrier and Planning Board Members,

Ten Mile Creek is a crucial part of the water supply for three million people in the Greater Washington Region. Development plans--ANY development--would greatly endanger the health of the creek--and the water supply of the area. Is it really possible that you are considering doing this?

We ask you to put in the right kind of development, including transit where it is needed, in the Clarksburg Town Center. Not in the Ten Mile Creek area where development would so greatly endanger water quality.

We ask you to be sensitive to the needs of (and promises made to) Clarksburg residents for a town center and to consider the traffic nightmare that would exist on Route 355 if proposed development was enacted.

Please ensure full protection of Ten Mile Creek as you and your staff decide upon the Clarksburg Master Plan Amendment.

Sincerely,

Robert C Dietsch



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**From:** Gemma Radko <gradko@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 29, 2013 4:57 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Save 10-Mile Creek

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OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN  
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PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

Chair Francoise Carrier  
Montgomery County Planning Board  
29 August 2013

Dear Chair Carrier,

Ten Mile Creek is a crucial part of the drinking water supply for three million people in the Greater Washington Region, and also forms an important habitat for migratory and resident birds, plus many other kinds of wildlife. This kind of wetland/riparian habitat is becoming increasingly scarce in Montgomery County, and throughout the state, as careless, badly-sited and executed development continues to gobble up our natural areas.

Development plans now being considered by the Planning Board would add more than 100 acres of hard impervious surfaces to this fragile watershed.

The run-off would inevitably ruin the creek and its associated marshes, plus degrade the reservoir itself. We ask you to put the right kind of development -- including mass transit -- where it's needed, in Clarksburg Town Center, NOT at Ten Mile Creek!

There are more than enough paved parking lots and strip malls throughout the county. We don't need any more, despite what developers might tell you! Enough is enough! PLEASE ensure full protection of Ten Mile Creek, as you and your staff devise the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for this unique area.

Sincerely yours,

Gemma Radko  
2300 Oak Drive  
Ijamsville, MD 21754

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**From:** Bob and Bev McGaughy <bnbmogaughy@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 27, 2013 11:09 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Clarksburg Master Plan Amemdment

OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN  
THE MONTGOMERY AND NATIONAL CAPITAL  
PLANNING COMMISSION

Chair Francoise Carrier  
Montgomery County Planning Board

Dear Chair Carrier,

The Ten Mile Creek is a crucial part of the drinking water supply for 3 million people in the Greater Washington Region. Development plans now being considered by the Planning Board would add more than 100 acres of hard impervious surfaces to this fragile watershed. We ask you to put the right kind of development-including transit-where it's needed in Clarksburg Town Center, not in Ten Mile Creek where development would degrade water quality. Please ensure full protection of Ten Mile Creek, as you and your staff devise the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek.

Sincerely,

Robert McGaughy  
Silver Spring, MD 20910

## **MCP-CTRACK**

**From:** natctr@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, August 26, 2013 11:17 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Save Ten Mile Creek

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PLANNING COMMISSION

Chair Francoise Carrier  
Montgomery County Planning Board  
23 August 2013

Dear Chair Carrier,

Ten Mile Creek is a crucial part of the drinking water supply for 3 million people in the Greater Washington Region. Development plans now being considered by the Planning Board would add more than 100 acres of hard impervious surfaces to this fragile watershed.

We ask you to put the right kind of development-including transit-where it's needed in Clarksburg Town Center, not in Ten Mile Creek where development would degrade water quality. Please ensure full protection of Ten Mile Creek, as you and your staff devise the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek.

So many mistakes have been made by the developer for Clarksburg Town Center. Do residents of Montgomery County have to "pay" for all these mistakes and ill planning? We keep devouring more land and more resources. Water is an essential resource not to be wasted. The nature from this environment is also essential to the health of the county. It is too precious to waste. Please save Ten Mile Creek. The health of the county is on your shoulders. Thank you for taking my letter into consideration.

Sincerely,  
Helene Lisy  
405 Domer Ave  
Takoma Park, MD 20912



**MCP-CTRACK**

**From:** Richard Cebula <rpcebula@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 24, 2013 10:12 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** 10 Mile Creek

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THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL  
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Chair Francoise Carrier  
Montgomery County Planning Board  
301-495-4605  
23 August 2013

Dear Chair Carrier,

Ten Mile Creek is a crucial part of the drinking water supply for millions of people in the Greater Washington Region. Development plans now being considered by the Planning Board would add more than 100 acres of hard impervious surfaces to this fragile watershed. I ask you to put the right kind of development-including transit-where it's needed in Clarksburg Town Center, not in Ten Mile Creek where development would degrade water quality. Please ensure full protection of Ten Mile Creek, as you and your staff devise the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Richard P. Cebula, Ph.D.

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**MCP-CTRACK**

**From:** Molly Hauck <mollyphauck@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 23, 2013 12:14 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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Chair Francoise Carrier

Montgomery County Planning Board

22 August 2013

Dear Chair Carrier,

Ten Mile Creek is a crucial part of the drinking water supply for 3 million people in the Greater Washington Region. Development plans now being considered by the Planning Board would add more than 100 acres of hard impervious surfaces to this fragile watershed. We ask you to put the right kind of development-including transit-where it's needed in Clarksburg Town Center, not in Ten Mile Creek where development would degrade water quality. Please ensure full protection of Ten Mile Creek, as you and your staff devise the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek.

Sincerely,

Molly Hauck

4004 Dresden St.

Kensington, MD. 20895-3812

**MCP-CTRACK**

**From:** Meghan McCleary <meghanmail@earthlink.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 23, 2013 2:38 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Our drinking water

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Chair Francoise Carrier  
Montgomery County Planning Board  
301-495-4605

23 August 2013

Dear Chair Carrier,

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Sincerely, Meghan McCleary 745 Silver Spring Avenue, Silver Spring MD 20910

**MCP-CTRACK**

**From:** Brenda Corbin <brenda.corbin@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 23, 2013 5:26 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Protect Ten Mile Creek

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**Chair Francoise Carrier**

**Montgomery County Planning Board**

**23 August 2013**

**Dear Ms. Carrier,**

I understand that development plans now being considered by the Planning Board which would add more than 100 acres of hard impervious surfaces to the fragile watershed of Ten Mile Creek. As we all know, this area is very important to the drinking water supply for 3 million people in our area. I am requesting that you put the right kind of development where it is needed in Clarksburg Town Center, not in Ten Mile Creek where development (including transit plans) would degrade water quality. It is so important to ensure the full protection of Ten Mile Creek as you and your staff devise the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek. I am asking that you and your colleagues do all that you can to preserve this fragile watershed when making your decision.

**Thank you and your colleagues for supporting our environment.**

**With best regards,**

**Brenda Corbin  
8826 Brierly Road  
Chevy Chase MD 208154752**

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**From:** The McMullens <mcmullens2@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 23, 2013 3:07 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

Dear Chair Carrier,

I am writing regarding the development plan for Ten Mile Creek. Ten Mile Creek is a crucial part of the drinking water supply for 3 million people in the Greater Washington Region. Development plans now being considered by the Planning Board would add more than 100 acres of hard impervious surfaces to this fragile watershed. It is important to protect this stream system and ecosystem which has not yet been degraded by runoff from development. We have very few pristine streams left in Montgomery County. Please ensure full protection of Ten Mile Creek, as you and your staff devise the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek. Development is certainly a necessary endeavor and people want shopping and housing close together. However, please consider directing development in areas that do not drain into the Ten Mile Creek,

Sincerely,

Maura McMullen

1309 Wembrough Ct

Silver Spring, MD 20905



## **MCP-CTRACK**

**From:** Marcie Stickle/Geo French <marcipro@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 23, 2013 3:41 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

Chair Francoise Carrier  
Montgomery County Planning Board

23 August 2013

Dear Chair Carrier,  
Please protect our drinking water from development in the Ten Mile Creek watershed.

Ten Mile Creek is a crucial part of the drinking water supply for 3 million people in the Greater Washington Region. Development plans now being considered by the Planning Board would add more than 100 acres of hard impervious surfaces to this fragile watershed. We ask you to put the right kind of development-including transit-where it's needed in Clarksburg Town Center, not in Ten Mile Creek where development would degrade water quality. Please ensure full protection of Ten Mile Creek, as you and your staff devise the Clarksburg Stage 4 Limited Master Plan Amendment for Ten Mile Creek.

Sincerely,  
George French, 510 Albany Ave, Takoma Park, MD 20912

# Conservation Montgomery

*Working together to enhance our quality of life*

RE: **CLARKSBURG LIMITED MASTER PLAN** for the Ten Mile Creek Watershed - public hearing - 9/10/2013

Francoise Carrier, Chair  
Montgomery County Planning Commission  
8787 Georgia Avenue  
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Dear Chair Carrier:

It has been nearly 20 years since passage of the Clarksburg Master Plan. At the time, Montgomery County didn't have a monitoring program for our watersheds. In fact, we knew almost nothing about the health of our streams. Prior to 1994, there had been no countywide assessment of stream health since 1980.

If monitoring data had been available, I doubt we'd have planned to concentrate so much development in the headwaters of streams feeding Little Seneca Lake. By 1998, DEP had collected enough baseline data for the Countywide Stream Protection Strategy to identify upper Ten Mile Creek tributaries as EXCELLENT and to consider them as "Watershed Protection Areas". Further, the CSPS made note that "unique geological forces" in the form of fracture lines have shaped Ten Mile Creek and the Upper Little Seneca channel morphology. Now we know that all the watersheds draining to Little Seneca Lake are not only sensitive, but are part of a large connected system upon which we depend for public drinking water. Despite the development that has already taken place in these watersheds, we still have vital choices to make. Choices that can and should focus first and foremost on protecting these watersheds rather than accommodating development.

In the mid 1990s, as Clarksburg Master Plan was emerging, the same scenario presented to us now was taking place in a watershed further down the Potomac River. Watts Branch, also a large stream system with numerous tributaries, is directly connected to the public drinking water supply via the WSSC Water Filtration Plant on River Rd. Large residential housing projects plus commercial, retail and biotech planned for the headwaters of one especially high quality tributary, Piney Branch, all predicated on sewer in a stream never envisioned to be sewered. Constant assurances from developers that water quality would not be harmed, but actually improved over the agricultural uses in place at the time. Despite public opposition, lawsuits lasting years and what was assured to be state of the art SW management, the watershed was developed and has been declining ever since. Now, the WSSC wants a mid-river intake to reach beyond the sediment coming down Watts Branch which enters the river at the intake to the plant. No mention of considering cleanup for the poor, degraded Watts Branch.

Will this also be the fate of the streams in Clarksburg in another 20 years? It doesn't have to be. This system of streams with their wetlands, the lake they enter and the sole source aquifer are vital to future drinking water safety. What we do now will determine the health of that water supply 20 years from now. We commend the extensive work done by planning and their consultants but our concern with the Staff Report is that it relies too heavily on modeling rather than the monitoring data we've accumulated in 20 years. It focuses more on obliging further development than on protecting precious water resources. It ignores some basic facts we've learned from monitoring; that headwater areas are not compatible with development; that increasing imperviousness results in decreased stream quality and stream instability, that responses to sedimentation will scour stream channels and pollute any downstream reservoir; that streams continue to degrade over time in response to development. We must be exceedingly careful how much development we choose to allow.

Please consider the preservation of Ten Mile Creek as critical water resource as not just an environmental decision. Nor is it a matter of weighing economic gains against natural resource conservation. When it comes to our last best stream - Ten Mile Creek, and the sister streams in Clarksburg, your decisions and those of our

colleagues on the Montgomery County Council, are moral decisions **affecting a key part of the drinking water supply for 4.3 million people.** If Ten Mile Creek is degraded, there will be no turning back.

regards,

Ginny Barnes, *Vice Chair*  
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**Testimony  
of  
Alan S. Bowser  
Montgomery County Civic Federation  
September 10/12, 2013  
CLARKSBURG LIMITED MASTER PLAN AMENDMENT  
Public Hearing**

Good evening, Madame Chair, members of the Board.

My name is Alan Bowser. I am a resident of Silver Spring, Maryland and I am here in my capacity as a Vice President of the Montgomery County Civic Federation.

The mission of the MCCF is to preserve and improve the quality of life for all current and future residents of Montgomery County, Maryland. Since its founding in 1925, the volunteers of the MCCF have committed themselves to providing an effective citizen voice to government policy makers, both elected and appointed.

The Civic Federation is a not-for-profit, county-wide umbrella group designed to promote cooperation, education and effectiveness of civic and community associations in Montgomery County. It addresses a wide range of concerns in transportation, land use, environment, education, budget and finance, health and human services, public safety, and ethics. With its strength of numbers and thoroughness of its deliberations, the Federation influences county policy and balances the activities of vested county pressure groups.

The MCCF membership consists of neighborhood associations, as well as homeowner and condominium associations, which appoint voting delegates to the Federation. In addition, individuals may join as non-voting Individual Associates.

At its regular September 9, 2013 meeting night in Rockville, the Montgomery Civic Federation passed the following Resolution:

## **RESOLUTION OF THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY CIVIC FEDERATION**

**Whereas**, Ten Mile Creek in Clarksburg, Maryland is the cleanest tributary to Little Seneca Reservoir and a crucial part of the greater metropolitan Washington, DC region's drinking water supply; and

**Whereas**, the Montgomery County Planning Board and the Montgomery County Council are considering amendments to the 1994 Clarksburg Master Plan to significantly increase development in the protected Ten Mile Creek watershed that would degrade water quality and jeopardize the regional water supply; and

**Whereas**, proposed development in the Ten Mile Creek watershed would divert public resources and infrastructure away from the Clarksburg Town Center and could further delay the provision of important community amenities in the Clarksburg Town Center which were provided for in the 1994 Master Plan; and

**Whereas**, the Save Ten Mile Creek Coalition, comprised of such organizations as the Montgomery Countryside Alliance, Conservation Montgomery, the Sierra Club, the Audubon Naturalist Society, Upcounty Action, Clean Water Action, Coalition for Smarter Growth, and the Stormwater Partners Network, has been working to protect the Washington, DC region's water supply by ensuring smart development in upper Montgomery County;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Montgomery County Civic Federation supports the Save Ten Mile Creek Coalition and its efforts to preserve and protect the Ten Mile Creek watershed, the regional water supply, and the natural environment in the surrounding area; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that that Montgomery County Civic Federation calls upon the Montgomery County Planning Board and the Montgomery County Council to protect the Ten Mile Creek watershed by rejecting development proposals that would significantly increase impervious surfaces, increase pollution, and the degradation of Little Seneca Reservoir; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Montgomery County Civic Federation supports the Livable Clarksburg Coalition, the Save Ten Mile Creek Coalition and all other organizations that are committed to helping the residents of Clarksburg to obtain the amenities needed in Clarksburg Town Center and promised in the Clarksburg Master Plan.

Approved at the September 9, 2013 General Meeting of the Montgomery County Civic Federation

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**From:** Samuel Long <long4him@gmail.com>  
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Dear Chair, Planners and Council members,  
I am a resident of Clarksburg, MD. We moved to Clarksburg in late 2010. Recently we were aware of potential plans to build shopping center(s)/outlet(s) etc. in one or potentially two locations in Clarksburg. We feel that Clarksburg is very close to Germantown, and its shopping, medical etc facilities, so we really don't see a need for these commercial facilities. There is also the consideration of protecting the natural environment such as Ten Mile Creek etc. We like the way Clarksburg is right now, so pray no shopping centers etc will be built. Thanks,  
Dr. Samuel Long  
phone: 301-673-5154

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**From:** Josh Goldman <joshjosh117@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2013 4:12 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Re: Ten Mile Creek and Clarksburg

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Dear Chair Carrier and Members of the Planning Board,

As a freshman at University of Maryland enrolled in engineering as part of the Science and Global Change scholars program, we are investigating the potential responses that we (communities and societies) might make to mitigate and adapt to future global climate change. I plan to pursue an engineering career in this field. I was first made aware of the potential development in the Ten Mile Creek watershed while in my senior year of the Global Ecology program at Poolesville High School. I have been interning for 2 years at NIST working on nanocalorimetry measurements.

I write you now because I believe that land use decisions with regard to Stage 4 Clarksburg may be occurring without fully addressing the potential effect on our drinking water reservoir and environment. I am concerned that the full effect of the first three stages of Clarksburg's development can not be assessed as they are not yet constructed. There are thousands of homes and hundreds of thousands of square feet of commercial building space that are planned but not built. How can you forecast how Seneca Reservoir will handle the impact of all that building?

We have learned that our region may suffer prolonged periods of drought as well as more frequent incidents of extreme weather events. It seems that we should be making plans for this shift in climate. How we build, where we build, how we use natural systems to protect our water resources - these are the questions that now become even more critical to answer with the global change in mind.

There are a number of very good resources to help guide land use planning in light of the changes that will come. I will link one [here](#).

I am 17. I hope to be able to drink the water when I am 40.

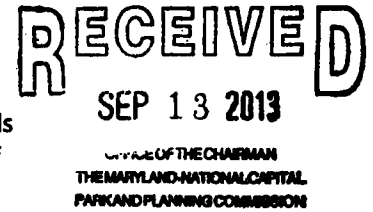
Respectfully,

Josh Goldman

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**From:** Alvin Carlos <acarlos@bicusa.org>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2013 10:58 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek: support for Save Ten Mile Creek proposals  
**Attachments:** Save Ten Mile Creek - Letter to MoCo Planning Board.pdf



Dear Members of the Montgomery County Planning Board,

Please find attached a letter from the Sierra Club Montgomery County Group, encouraging the Planning Board to support the proposals put forward by the Save Ten Mile Creek Coalition.

With more than five thousand members in Montgomery County, the Sierra Club of Montgomery County is the largest organized environmental voice in Montgomery County.

We look forward to your consideration.

Best,

Alvin

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Alvin Carlos  
Chair  
Sierra Club Montgomery County Group  
202-624-0628





**Montgomery County Group**

**September 13, 2013**

**Re: Ten Mile Creek Proposals**

**To the Honorable Members of the Planning Board:**

With more than five thousand members in Montgomery County, the Sierra Club of Montgomery County is the largest organized environmental voice in Montgomery County. We are the local chapter of the National Sierra Club, the oldest national environmental organization, comprising now more than 1.3 million people in the fifty states. One of the tenets of the Sierra Club is to protect our water supplies, including safeguarding water quality, water quantity, and protecting drinking water. Looking right here to the further proposed development in Clarksburg, we are deeply concerned about impacts to all three issues – water quality, water quantity, and drinking water safeguards.

We believe that good science shows that approval of proposed development plans in Clarksburg will lead to degradation of the Ten Mile Creek Watershed in Upper Montgomery County. It is indisputable that Ten Mile Creek is the cleanest creek that feeds into the Little Seneca reservoir, the source of emergency drinking water for the entire Metropolitan Washington area. Failure to safeguard Ten Mile Creek by wise planning choices now will only result in detrimental impacts to water quality, water quantity, and safe drinking water. As extreme weather patterns increasingly occur, it is important to safeguard this important source of drinking water, which has been used twice in the past fifteen years as supplemental drinking water for the Washington D.C. region.

In addition, impacts to the Ten Mile Creek watershed would adversely affect the regional groundwater. Sixty percent (62%) of the Up-County population obtains drinking water from individual in-ground wells. Contamination of the underground aquifer would result in a public health crisis for thousands of Up-County residents.

The Sierra Club is also committed to stewardship of lands with high levels of biodiversity. The Clarksburg Master Plan emphasized that Ten Mile Creek, which has among the highest levels of biodiversity in the county, is "fragile and sensitive." It will be truly tragic if the county loses a stream, which has been described as the "Last of the Best" streams in Montgomery County.

Therefore, the Sierra Club of Montgomery County respectfully urges the Montgomery County Planning Board to consider adopting the Save Ten Mile Creek Coalition's plan which completely protects the ecologically unique Ten Mile Creek watershed. This plan, supported by former Planning Board chair, Royce Hanson, and other leaders in the Up-County area of Montgomery County, would fully protect the creek by putting key parcels of land in the Agricultural Reserve and implementing other measures. As a second option, the Montgomery County Sierra Club would ask that the Planning Board at a minimum adopt the alternate proposal of the Save Ten Mile Creek coalition that lessens the impact of development using imperviousness caps and forest cover minimums. Details regarding both options are fully delineated in the Save Ten Mile Creek Coalition policy proposals.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on these matters. We look forward to working with you to protect our County's valuable resources.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Alvin Carlos".

Alvin Carlos

Chair

Sierra Club Montgomery County Group

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**From:** Lisa Alexander <lisakatherinealexander@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2013 1:15 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Save Ten Mile Creek - Protect Our Drinking Water

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Dear Planning Board Chair Carrier,

Our county's elected and appointed officials have a duty to protect our drinking water supply now and into the future. They also have an obligation to study and understand the science behind water quality protection.

The science is clear - development around streams degrades their quality.

The county does not need additional traffic on 270 or redundant outlet malls. The county does not owe developers the right to develop.

The county DOES NEED clean water now and in the future.

Please lead on this issue, think to the future and ensure that the Planning Board recommends NO DEVELOPMENT in the Ten Mile Creek headwaters.

Sincerely,

Lisa Alexander  
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Chevy Chase, MD 20815  
(301)495-5676

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**From:** dunnz@starpower.net  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2013 11:11 AM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek

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Dear Chair,

As citizens become environmentally aware, it is evident that Ten Mile Creek's preservation as a clean creek is more important than shopping convenience. Creeks are best described as children's aquatic playgrounds and animals' habitats. How does Montgomery County profess to believe in "Smart Growth" when it hobnobs to developers' whimsies and wishes. I have been to the RIO and notice how many empty store spaces there are. More is not better. More is just more, and mostly more junk or more strip malls that are not only ugly but short-lived.

I appeal to your conscience--please support nature and Ten Mile Creek being left alone!

Thank you for your time.  
Susan Dunnell  
Kensington, MD

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**From:** dunnz@starpower.net  
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**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Saving Ten Mile Creek

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September 13, 2013

I am writing to urge the Montgomery County Planning Board to save Ten Mile Creek in order to protect our area's drinking water—now and in the future. Ten Mile Creek feeds Little Seneca Reservoir, the emergency drinking water supply for 4.3 million Washington, DC area residents.

Developers could, instead, keep their promise to Clarksburg residents and build a Clarksburg Town Center and stop building sprawl from damaging the Ten Mile Creek Watershed, a valuable natural resource and treasurer. Creeks are our children's aquatic playgrounds—places of wonder !

Please keep in mind that Montgomery County used to shine as an environmentally aware county in the nation. Please continue to support "Smart Growth" not growth for greedy developers.

Sincerely,

Susan Z. Dunnell

Kensington, MD 20895

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**From:** Tina Slater <slater.tina@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2013 4:52 PM  
**To:** MCP-Chair  
**Subject:** Ten Mile Creek - Comments from Action Committee for Transit  
**Attachments:** Microsoft Word - ACT.Ltr. 2013 Sep 13.Plan Bd.Ten-Mile Creek.pdf

Dear Chair Carrier:

The Action Committee for Transit would like to submit the following letter (attached) regarding Ten-Mile Creek. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Thank you,  
Tina Slater, President  
Action Committee for Transit  
[www.actfortransit.org](http://www.actfortransit.org)  
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# Action Committee for Transit

[www.actfortransit.org](http://www.actfortransit.org)

P.O. Box 7074, Silver Spring, MD 20907

September 13, 2013

Dear Chair Carrier:

Action Committee for Transit is a 27-year old volunteer advocacy organization, with 500 members who seek better communities connected by better transit. In that regard, we care about the Ten Mile Creek area because of its environmental sensitivity for the county, and because the development under discussion won't be transit-oriented. It seems wrong to continue to press ahead for this "non-transit-oriented" development, while the "T" is still missing in Clarksburg's TOD. Unless explicit staging requirements tied to viable transit and the building of the Town Center are put into effect in the Clarksburg area, the planning board should not approve further development --- it simply undermines the vision of the master plan.


Please ensure that the Clarksburg master plan amendment fully protects Ten Mile Creek, which the current Planning Department proposal does not do. Stronger protection makes both economic and environmental sense.

Reasons for protection. Ten Mile Creek drains into Little Seneca Reservoir -- part of our region's **backup drinking supply**. But in addition, the adjacent land acts as a **recharge area** for the Piedmont Sole-Source Aquifer that serves Montgomery County's rural communities. Thus, Ten Mile Creek is an integral part of the drinking water supply for three million people in the Greater Washington region.

Caution about development. We understand that development plans now being considered by the Planning Board could add more than 100 acres of hard impervious surfaces to this fragile watershed -- or would substitute pervious pavement inadequate to the task. Runoff from hard impervious surfaces regularly contaminates streams. Regarding the pervious pavement alternative, the federal Environmental Protection Agency suggests that until more scientific data are available, it is not advisable to construct porous pavement near groundwater drinking supplies or in areas of sole-source aquifers. Please also note that EPA estimates the high failure rate of porous pavement at 75%: this failure rate leads to concern for water quantity as well as quality.

Recommendation: The Planning Board has already approved a lot of development on Cabin Branch, which is also a tributary of Little Seneca Reservoir and recharge area for the Piedmont Sole Source Aquifer. We believe the environmentally-responsible thing for the Board to do is to wait and see how the Cabin Branch development affects the reservoir and the aquifer, before approving further development on Ten Mile Creek.

Sincerely,



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