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Subject: Charles County Airport Comments

Mr. Steve Ball, Director PGM,

I read the land use study as well as the IH Tech Park Market Study and I think the prospects of the airport expansion being an "economic generator" are dim. I don't have a problem with more and larger planes using the extended runway, but it is indefensible to take down all that forest for a speculative scheme touting business parks and light industry. It appears to be just more window dressing for building the cross county connector. I think the airport expansion, while serving a few looking to avoid Reagan National, won't amount to much for furthering Charles County to a bright economic future as it will to promote continuing sprawl development.

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Subject: Development of county airport and lengthing of airport

Good Evening Mr. Ball:

Thank you for taking the opinions of the residents of Charles County with respect to development around the airport. I live in White Plains and I grew up in Waldorf. I have lived in or been involved with the county for the past 35 years. I am appalled at the level of growth that has cropped up in the county for two specific reasons: the destruction of natural environments and the sprawl that it is creating with out creating good, long term, sustainable jobs.

I whole heartedly oppose the development of the area around the airport. It is too close to the Mattawoman Creek, a true environmental and economic treasure for the county. Developing the land around the airport for commercial or residential use would add pollutants to the creek and further degrade the watershed area.

I do not believe that developing commercial interests around the airport would create good stable jobs, If it cannot work in Waldorf and White Plains, what reason is there to believe it would work there? There is a ridiculous number of empty storefronts in Waldorf and White Plains. I would hate to see the same thing happen around the air port.

Additionally, residents around that area do not want it developed. I believe they have the loudest say when it comes to this. Thank you for your time and I hope that the planning commission will listen to the majority of the residents in the county who do not want this land developed.

Respectfully,

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