

## Protected Lands in Charles County (2016)

### Data Sources

<b>CHARLES COUNTY PLANNING PROTECTED LANDS MAP DATA SOURCES</b>				
<b>Category</b>	<b>Type of Protection</b>	<b>Source of Data</b>	<b>Methodology/ Explanation</b>	<b>Acreage</b>
Regulatory	Resource Protection Zone	Maryland Department of Natural Resources, 2008 GIS. (Used the 1_08 version of this file which includes Critical Area.)	Resource Protection Zone was drawn by DNR using 100 year floodplain as a base and expanded for adjacent non-tidal wetlands, slopes >15% and ensuring a minimum 50 foot buffer to the streams order 1 and 2 and minimum 100 foot buffer to streams order 3 and above.  Total RPZ 46,225 acres, minus RPZ in Protected Land overlap (13,681), and minus RPZ in Critical Area RCZ (3,284).	28,648
	Forest Conservation Easements	County Forest Conservation Program spreadsheet.	Total acres represent recorded forest conservation easements for both on-site retention, re-forestation and afforestation; and off-site retention, reforestation and afforestation. Total FC is 11,182 acres. A 10% and 90% overlap with RPZ & other protected land for on-site and off-site, respectively, is subtracted.	9,001
	Stream Buffers in the Critical Area/Critical Area Buffer outside of the RCZ (IDZ and LDZ)	Maryland Department of Natural Resources, (2008)		612
Federal	Federal Properties	Various Federal websites, property deeds and Appendix A, Charles County Land Preservation, Parks & Recreation Plan.	Total of all acres of preserved by Federal ownership. Acreage from federal websites, and deeds.	1,600
State	State Owned Resource Land	Various State websites, property deeds, acreage reports (i.e., 2007 DNR Owned Land Acreage Report) and Appendix A, Charles County Land Preservation, Parks & Recreation Plan.	Total of all acres preserved by State ownership. Acreage from State inventories and recorded documents.	20,749

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	State & Federal Owned Easements	Various State websites, property deeds, acreage reports (i.e., 2007 DNR Owned Land Acreage Report) and Appendix A, Charles County Land Preservation, Parks & Recreation Plan (2006).	Total of all acres preserved with protective State & Federal easements. Acreage from State & Federal inventories and recorded documents.	3,589
	Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Easements (MALPF)	Charles County Agricultural Preservation Districts spreadsheet.	Total acres of farmland protection easements purchased by the MALPF Program. Acreage provided from easement documents.	7,486
	Maryland Historical Trust (MHT)	Recorded easement.	Total acres preserved for Historical value. Acreage provided by MHT documents.	247
	Maryland Environmental Trust (MET)	Maryland Environmental Trust.	Total acres represent total of easement acres acquired by Maryland Environmental Trust for conservation purposes. Acreage provided by MET per easement documents.	5,988
Local	Rural Legacy Easement Properties	Charles County Rural Legacy Acres Acquired spreadsheet.	Total acres represent the total of all acres acquired by the Rural Legacy Program, for conservation, including both fee simple and easements. Acreage from the recorded documents.	3,777
State/Local				
	Transferrable Development Rights (TDR)	Charles County TDR Tracking spreadsheet.	Total acres represent the total acres of the District for which the first transfer of TDRs was performed. (At the point of the first transfer, a restrictive covenant was recorded on the entire property.)	5,124

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	County and Town Parks	Charles County Department of Public Facilities, Parks and Recreation Division, Town of Indian Head and Town of La Plata.	Total acres of passive and active parklands and recreation areas. Total acres represent the total of acquisitions (fee simple or leasehold) of parkland/open space. County acreage data is from the Charles County Recreation and Open Space Sites Inventory (maintained by the County) and date protected is from actual property deeds.	3,259
Other	The Nature Conservancy (TNC)	TNC	Total acres represent property owned by TNC	2,610
	Conservancy for Charles County (CCC)	Conservancy for Charles County datasheet.	Total acres represent total of easements and/or fee simple acres acquired by the Conservancy for Charles County.	113
	Joint MET and CCC Properties	Conservancy for Charles County datasheet.	Total acres represent total of easements and/or fee simple acres acquired jointly by the Conservancy for Charles County and MET.	1,148
<b>TOTAL ACRES</b>				<b>93,951</b>