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From: Sent: To: Subject: Dvorak, Nicole Monday, April 22, 2019 1:05 PM CouncilMail FW: Against CR49-2019 DRRA - want to see leadership like Frederick County

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- Sierra Club
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Thanks for your time and attention! Buffy Illum 4606 Smokey Wreath Way

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Please see forwarded email. Thank you! Buffy Illum ------ Forwarded message -------From: **B Illum** <<u>buffy.illum@gmail.com</u>> Date: Mon, Apr 22, 2019 at 12:56 PM Subject: Against CR49-2019 DRRA - want to see leadership like Frederick County To: Walsh, Elizabeth <<u>EWalsh@howardcountymd.gov</u>>, <<u>OJones@howardcountymd.gov</u>>, <<u>CRigby@howardcountymd.gov</u>>, <<u>DJung@howardcountymd.gov</u>>, <<u>DYungmann@howardcountymd.gov</u>> Cc: <<u>JFeldmark@howardcountymd.gov</u>>

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То:	CouncilMail
Cc:	Delorenzo, Carl
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Attachments:	CR49-2019 Survival and Transfer of Obligation.pdf

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Dear Councilmembers,

Attached please find the first of a series of emails regarding CR49-2019. I plan to send additional emails later this afternoon prior the Council hearing.

Joel Hurewitz

## CR49-2019: The Quarry DRRA Survival and Transfer of Obligation Provision Is Incompletely Drafted Joel Hurewitz April 22, 2019

The Survival and Transfer of Obligation provision in the DRRA in CR49-2019 is incompletely drafted. While the notice of the transfer obligation does not apply to owners of individual lots in Section 2.1C, the operative DRRA terms will still apply in the main Section 2.1. to all purchasers of a subdivided or even a developed parcel. Such future owners or tenants of residential or nonresidential buildings will be able to argue that the frozen rules and regulations of the DRRA apply to them including matters such as for example a home business.

Compare this to the Doughoregan/Carroll DRRA which not only eliminates the notice to purchasers of individual residences but also makes clear that such notice would itself be unnecessary because of the exception in the main Section 6.1. (The Carroll DRRA was also drafted by Talkin & Oh; it is unclear why this was not used as the template for Section 2.1 in the Chase DRRA).

#### ARTICLE VI SURVIVAL AND TRANSFER OF OBLIGATION

6.1 Nature, Survival, and Transfer of Obligations. The <u>Carrols</u> agree that this Agreement shall run with the land and be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the <u>Carrols</u> and their respective heirs, successors and assigns, and upon any and all successor owners of record of all or any portion of the Site (except owners of an individual lot improved as part of the Project and pursuant to a validly issued building permit). To assure that all such successors, assigns, and successor owners have notice of this Agreement and the obligations created by it, the <u>Carrols</u> agrees that it shall

A. Have this Agreement recorded among the Land Records of Howard County within twenty (20) days after the Effective Date of this Agreement; and

8. Incorporate, by reference, this Agreement into any and all real estate sales contracts entered into after the Effective Date of this Agreement for the sale of all or any portion of the Site.

C. Prior to the transfer of all or any portion of the Site (except the transfer of an individual lot solely for use as a private residence), or any equitable interest therein, require the transferee to execute an enforceable written agreement, in a form reasonably satisfactory to Howard County, binding transferee to this Agreement.

Doughoregan / Carroll DRRA CR103-2010

Compare the provision also to the cut off of the DRRA running with the land to both individual lot as well as condominium purchasers in the Monrovia Town Center DRRA in Frederick County.

AUGUST 20, 2013 DRAFT

#### DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES AGREEMENT

75-80 PROPERTIES, LLC, and PAYNE INVESTMENTS, LLC, and THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND

#### ARTICLE VI SURVIVAL AND TRANSFER OF OBLIGATION

1. Nature. Survival, and Transfer of Obligations. The Developer agrees that this Agreement shall run with the land and be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Developer and its successors and assigns (except owners of an individual lot, unit or parcel improved pursuant to a validly issued building permit and/or dwelling purchased solely for use as a private residence), and upon any and all successor owners of record of all or any portion of the Property (except owners of an individual lot, or unit improved pursuant to a validly issued building permit and/or dwelling purchased solely for use as a private residence), and upon any and all successor owners of record of all or any portion of the Property (except owners of an individual lot or unit improved pursuant to a validly issued building permit and/or dwelling purchased solely for use as a private residence). To assure that all such successors, assigns, and successor owners have notice of this Agreement and the obligations created by it, the Developer agrees that it shall:

Monrovia Town Center DRRA Frederick County

https://www.frederickcountymd.gov/DocumentCenter/View/264108/Monrovia-Town-Center-

DRRA\_DRAFT\_20Aug2013?bidId=

The notice provisions of 2.1.C do not even exempt condominium purchasers just owners of individual lots used as private residence. The Chase property is zoned M1-MXD-3. Any development might include not only single family lots, but condominiums, apartments, and nonresidential which could include tenants in a building owned by Chase, a building sold to a third party owner or even a business condominium. Thus, the Survival and Transfer of Obligation provision must cut off and not run with the land after the land is subdivided for individual residences but the construction of any buildings. An appropriate benchmark, such as a building or an occupancy permit should be used to terminate the DRRA to such parcels.

(The Howard County Solicitor was made aware of these general issues, but he appears to not fully understand the problems presented and believes the DRRA is sufficiently drafted).

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Joel Hurewitz

# CR49-2019: The Property Interests of Annapolis Junction Holdings, LP Are Not Disclosed in the DRRA

Joel Hurewitz April 22, 2019

Annapolis Junction Holdings, LP is identified as a fee simple owner in the DRRA, but its ownership interests are never disclosed. The attached Exhibit A with the legal description lists "Annapolis Junction Holdings, LP in the title, but then the parcel that it owns is never identified



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Description of Property of Chase Land, LLC and Annapolis Junction Holdings, LP Howard County, Maryland Sixth Election District

DRRA Exhibit A Description of Petitioner Property

The properties on the Howard County GIS website do not list any Annapolis Junction Holdings in the DRRA properties. A land records search for Howard County results in the only properties owned by Annapolis Junction Holdings being in Hanover, Maryland.

On the other hand, the DRRA makes clear that Chase Land, LLC is the successor by conversion from the Chase Limited Partnership. Similar disclosures are made in other land records documents for Chase.

7. Chase, as successor by conversion to Chase Limited Partnership, a Maryland limited partnership, is the owner of certain real property in Howard County, Maryland forming a part of the Petitioner Property more particularly shown on Howard County Tax Map 43, Block 19, as Parcel 234 and part of Parcel 235 (the "Quarry Property"), which Quarry Property is located vicinal to the County Contract Property.

DRRA page 2

In contrast to the DRRA, the Water Tower Purchase and Sale Agreement discloses in several instances, that Annapolis Junction Holdings is the successor to Konterra Limited Partnership:

#### PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT

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THIS PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is made and entered into this <u>144</u>, day of <u>Septembe</u> 2018 (the "Effective Date"), by and among HOWARD COUNTY, MARYLAND, a body corporate and politic ("Purchaser" or the "County") and CHASE LAND, LLC, a Maryland limited liability company, successor by conversion to Chase Limited Partnership, a Maryland limited partnership ("Chase") and ANNAPOLIS JUNCTION HOLDINGS, LP, a Maryland limited partnership, formerly known as Konterra Limited Partnership, a Maryland limited partnership, formerly known as collectively with Chase, "Seller").

Water Tower Purchase and Sale Agreement page 1

ANNAPOLIS JUNCTION HOLDINGS, L.P., a Maryland limited partnership, formerly known as Konterra Limited Partnership, a Maryland limited partnership

> By: GOULD PROPERTY COMPANY, its General Partner

Name: Caleb C. Gould

Title: Vice President

Water Tower Purchase and Sale Agreement page 26

Thus, for clarity, the DRRA should include similar statements that Annapolis Junction Holdings is the successor to the Konterra Limited Partnership.

(Talkin & Oh and the Howard County Solicitor have been made aware of the failure to state the property interests owned by Annapolis Junction Holdings in the DRRA, but do not appear to believe that it is necessary).

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Sent:	Monday, April 22, 2019 3:23 PM
То:	CouncilMail
Cc:	Brianna Hartley
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Attachments:	SCOAMLEACPK19042211170.pdf; ATT00001.htm

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Council members, please see attached letter. A hard copy will be sent this week.

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Calvin Ball County Executive Howard County Government 3430 Courthouse Drive, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Ellicott City, MD 21043

Dear County Executive Ball,

Thank you for requesting clarification regarding the Board's motions at its April 11, 2019 meeting regarding the Development Rights and Responsibilities Agreement (DRRA) to purchase land for High School 13. As you know, the Howard County Board of Education is about to begin a comprehensive process to balance capacity utilization across all 77 of our current schools in order to relieve the overcrowding of schools located in the highly-developed eastern part of Howard County. The success of the resulting solution is highly dependent on the opening of High School #13 for the 2023-2024 school year.

The Board recognizes that it is the County's responsibility to negotiate the DRRA, however, we felt it was necessary to discuss and share our concerns regarding the impact of the DRRA as proposed. We are encouraged that the County and seller are working to amend the agreement and address the concerns that have been raised. We appreciate you taking our concerns into account as you continue these negotiations. The Board remains committed to opening High School #13 in 2023 and will continue to work collaboratively with the County to achieve this goal. If you have any questions regarding the Board's motions or our timeline for the new high school, please contact Scott Washington, Director of Capital Planning & Construction at Scott\_Washington@hcpss.org or 410-313-6807.

The Board appreciates your continued partnership, and your leadership in advancing this critical capital project, as we work to create safe and equitable learning environments for all students in Howard County.

Sincerely,

Mavis Ellis

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CC: County Council members

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Rigby, Christiana Monday, April 22, 2019 4:21 PM Sayers, Margery FW: Against CR49-2019

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Subject: Against CR49-2019

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Dear Howard County Council,

I am writing to you today because I quite concerned about CR49-2019. I am astonished that this bill is proposing a 25year freeze on laws and zoning regulations for the 500 acres reserved in building HS 13 in the Jessup area. Please consider viable options that support sustainable and smarter growth in Howard County. It is imperative to think through the infrastructure needs that will enhance the quality of life in Howard County for citizens, instead of yielding to developers who seem to have more authority in this county than ever. This freeze will certainly impact the quality of life for all those living in Howard County. I urge each of you to think about how this freeze will impact our schools, our communities, infrastructure needs, and the environment. Please show strong leadership by voting against this bill.

Best Regards,

Sunmy Brown

4513 Kingscup Court

Ellicott City, MD 21042

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Joel Hurewitz April 22, 2019

Section 16.1703(a)(2) of the Howard County Code requires that the DRRA identify "the names of the persons having a legal or equitable interest in the real property subject to the agreement." Paragraph 4 of the Recitals only identifies Annapolis Junction Holdings, Chase Land, and Howard County as "the sole persons having a legal or equitable interest" in the Petitioner Property.

In addition, it is unclear under what legal theory Howard County has an interest in the Petitioner Property. Its equitable interest as a contract purchaser of the parcels in the Water Tower Purchase and Sale Agreement is not fully explained in the DRRA. The property descriptions of the DRRA only make sense if the transfer of the water tower parcels close prior to the DRRA effective date, and the closing of the Water Tower Agreement is, in fact, a prerequisite for the closing of the School Site Agreement. In addition, the school site is adjoining and/or vicinal to the Petitioner Property, and not part of the DRRA.

The identification of only Annapolis Junction Holdings, Chase Land, and Howard County is an incomplete list of persons having a legal and/or equitable interest in the Petitioner Property. Howard County has undisclosed water and sewer easements and forest conservation easements. Of particular interest to those concerned about development on the Undeveloped Petitioner Property are the preservation easements held by the Howard County Conservancy. Savage Stone, LLC the operator of the quarry has a legal interest in the stone separate from the fee simple ownership of the quarry. Beneficiaries under deeds of trust may not have been disclosed. See Deed of Conservation Easement – Consent and Agreement of Trustees and Beneficiary Liber

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9747 Folio 064. BGE and other utilities also have interests in the property which will be assumed but not discussed further herein.

In contrast to the lack of disclosure in the Chase DRRA, compare that of the Doughoregan/Carroll DRRA which included 176 pages of exhibits. See CR103-2010 Exhibit A Exhibits 1-10 FINAL. These exhibits included deeds, probate records and wills to show the title history of the property. Of particular importance here is "Exhibit 4 — Attorney title opinion certifying as to legal and equitable owners."

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June 22, 2010

Ms. Charlotte R. Dryden Real Estate Services Howard County Department of Public Works 3430 Courthouse Drive Ellicott City, Maryland 21043

Re: "Doughoregan Manor", 3500 Manor Lane, Ellicott City

Dear Ms. Dryden:

The following is a title report for the above-referenced property (the "Property").

Fee simple title in the Property is good and marketable as vested of record in Philip D. Carroll (also known as Philip Carroll) and Camilla Carroll, as tenants in common, as follows:

- 1. Deed from Charles Carroll, Junior to Philip A. Carroll, dated February 24, 1923 and recorded among the Land Records of Howard County, Maryland (the "Land Records") in Liber H.B.N. No. 117, folio 113.
- 2. Last Will and Testament of Philip A. Carroll (deceased July 8, 1957, survived by his wife, Nina R. Carroll) dated May 9, 1946, as amended by a Codicil thereto dated October 16, 1953, admitted to probate by Howard County Register of Wills (Estate No. 2046); Item Second devised all real property and improvements to his wife, Nina R. Carroll, for life, with a power of appointment (to devise through her Will upon her death) over all property located in Howard County, Maryland (including the Property).
- 3. Last Will and Testament of Nina R. Carroll (deceased February 11, 1989) dated June 4, 1979, as amended by a Codicil thereto dated November 28, 1986 and a Second Codicil thereto dated April 10, 1987, admitted to probate by the Howard County Register of Wills (Estate No. 7868); Item Third, as

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> amended, exercised the power of appointment granted by the Will of Philip A. Carroll and devised the Property to "such of the lineal descendants of my son, Philip Carroll, as shall survive me, in equal shares, <u>per stirpes</u>, as tonants in common", and the then-surviving lineal descendants of Philip Carroll were Philip D. Carroll (also known as Philip Carroll) and Camilla Carroll.

The Property is known as 3500 Manor Lane, Ellicott City, Maryland 21042, and is located in the Third Election District of Howard County, Maryland, containing 876.562 acres of land, more or less (per SDAT records). The Property is shown on Tax Map 23, Grid 10, Parcel 71, property tax account number 03-281779.

The Property is not encumbered by any open financing.

The Property is subject to the following exceptions and agreements:

- Right of Way dated October 5, 1908, from Thomas P. O. Donnell and James O. Donnell to W. Raymond Cross, recorded among the Land Records in Liber W.W.L.C. 87, folio 662.
- 2. Deed of Easement dated May 23, 1977, from Nina R. Carroll to the Maryland Historical Trust, recorded among the Land Records in Liber 826, folio 542.
- 3. Right of Way Easement dated May 20, 1980, from Nina R. Carroll to Baltimore Gas and Electric Company, recorded among the Land Records in Liber 1047, folio 333.
- 4. Right of Way Easement dated March 29, 1981, from Nina R. Carroll to Baltimore Gas and Electric Company, recorded among the Land Records in Liber 1051, folio 633.
- 5. Deed of Preservation Easement dated October 4, 2006, by and among Philip Carroll and Canulla Carroll, The Howard County Conservancy, Inc., and Howard County, Maryland, recorded among the Land Records in Liber 10295, folio 58.
- 6. Plat entitled "Density Sending Plat, Property of Philip Carroll and Camilla Carroll", which Plat is recorded among the Land Records as Plat Number 18572.

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<u>~</u>1 Plat entitled "Amended Plat of Easement, Sending Parcel, Property of Philip Carroll and Camilla Carroll", which Plat is recorded among the Land Records as Plat Number 19928.

Title was run through May 28, 2010.

Copies of the title documents, encumbrances and exceptions noted above are enclosed. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me.

Sincerely, Talkin & Oh, LLP

By: JHL EHL. Jonathan E. Greenstein Of Counsel

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As seen in the June 22, 2010 letter, the DRRA exhibit identified rights of way, easements including those to BGE, Maryland Historical Trust, and the Howard County Conservancy. The Chase DRRA has no such exhibits nor a list of easements. (As shown, the attorney title opinion was prepared by Talkin & Oh; it is unclear why Talkin & Oh failed to use this as a template for their work with the Chase DRRA).

#### **The Preservation Easements**

The Howard County Conservancy acquired easements to the property as part of the approval for the quarry in the Special Exception and the required development of the Ridgely's Run Community Center. See Liber 9747 Folio 055, January 2006.



Liber 9747 Folio 069

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The Conservancy easements total approximately 45 acres of which about 32.8 acres are found in Parcel H which is included in the Undeveloped Petitioner Property but is not discussed in the DRRA.



Liber 9747 Folio 069



The Howard County Conservancy easements are shown here on the County GIS map.

Howard County Conservancy Chase Land Easements



The Howard County Forest Conservation Easements are shown here.

Howard County Forest Conservation Easements

Some of these easements are shown from F-09-071.



F-09-071 Forest Easements

In the blowup, also note the sewer easement. See also Liber 1496 Folio 195.



F-09-071 Forest Conservation Easement



The Howard County and Howard County Conservancy easements are shown together here.

Howard County and Howard County Conservancy Easements

#### Savage Stone, LLC

Because this is an active quarry mine, there are property ownership issues that would not occur with a regular DRRA for an undeveloped property. The legal and/or equitable interests of Savage Stone, LLC and possibly other related Gould family companies, including but not limited to, Laurel Sand and Gravel and Aggregate Management, Inc. have not been disclosed in the DRRA as required by the DRRA law.

The mine operator has legal rights separate from the fee simple owner of the property. In the most analogous case found, the Court of Special Appeals in interpreting the Maryland Dormant Mineral Interests Act stated:

"The Act defines a "mineral interest" as "an interest in a mineral estate, however created and regardless of form, whether absolute or fractional, divided or undivided, corporeal or incorporeal, including a fee simple or any lesser interest or any kind of royalty, production payment, executive right, nonexecutive right, leasehold, or lien in minerals, regardless of character." Env. § 15-1201(c). From this, we conclude that a severed mineral interest constitutes a property right, and is, thus, a vested right." *Mary Harvey v. Joseph Sines 137* A.3d 1045, 228 Md. App. 283 (2016).

In the article below in discussing similar legislation in Ohio concluded: "A lease is merely an **equitable interest** in property that allows another to explore for minerals and develop those minerals if found." Separating Mineral Interests from the Surface May Result in Two Real Property Tax Bills (emphasis added). Thus, Savage Stone appears to have property rights in the quarry separate from the fee owner of the property.

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# SEPARATING MINERAL INTERESTS FROM THE

## SURFACE MAY RESULT IN TWO REAL PROPERTY TAX BILLS

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by Larry Gearhardt, OSU Income School Director

Some landowners in the oil and gas drilling area of Ohio may receive two real property tax bills for the same property. How can this happen? When the mineral interests are separated from the surface, the Ohio Revised Code (section 5713.04) requires the county auditor to list and value the land in separate entries, specifying the interest listed, and tax the parties owning the different interests. If the same person owns both the surface and the separated mineral interests, he may receive two property tax bills. This has surprised some landowners after the separation of the mineral interests.

#### WHY WOULD A LANDOWNER SEPARATE MINERAL INTERESTS BUT RETAIN OWNERSHIP?

Some landowners are taking the proactive step of separating the mineral interests from the surface for succession planning and tax management. It is not uncommon for a trust to be used. When we say that the landowner retains ownership of both the surface and mineral interests, we are also including the scenario where the mineral interests are separated and placed in a trust for the benefit of the surface owner. Each landowner has his own reason for doing this, but one reason is that it may provide flexibility when doing succession planning.

#### ONE LANDOWNER RECEIVING TWO PROPERTY TAX BILLS HAPPENS IN ONLY RARE CIRCUMSTANCES

The focus of this paper is on the very narrow circumstance where a landowner separates the mineral interests from the surface, by deed, and retains ownership of both interests, either personally or in trust, and the mineral interests are not yet developed.

Leasing mineral rights to another entity does not cause a separate tax bill. A lease is merely an equitable interest in property that allows another to explore for minerals and develop those minerals if found. The landowner normally receives a lease signing bonus and shares in the royalties from the The website for the quarry shows that Savage Stone, LLC is the operator.

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However, the corporate parent of Savage Stone appears to be Aggregate Management, Inc.

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Regarding the Ridgely's Run Community Center development, Chase Land is the "owner" and Savage Stone is the "developer" for the storm water maintenance agreement.

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	Maintenance Agreement No. <u>SDP-05-107</u> Developer/Owner
03/23/2019.	MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT MUR 6 SITE DEVELOPMENT Feb 13, 2006 83:55 aa PRIVATE STORM WATER MANAGEMENT FACILITIES
02/22/2006. Printed	THIS MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT is made this <u>744</u> day of <u>Federary</u> , 2006, by and between SAVAGE STONE, LLC, a Maryland limited liability company, hereinafter referred to as "Developer"; and CHASE LAND, LLC, a Maryland limited liability company, hereinafter referred to as "Owner"; and HOWARD COUNTY, MARYLAND, a body corporate and politic, hereinafter referred to as "County".
COURT (Land Records) MDR 9818, p. 0465, MSA_CE53_9808. Date available 02/22/2006. Primed 03/23/2019.	WHEREAS, the property identified on the plat entitled " <u>Subdivision Plat Of Ridgelys</u> <u>Run Community Center, Parcel 'A', A Subdivision Of Parcel P/O 235</u> " was acquired by Chase Limited Partnership, by virtue of a deed dated January 3, 1996, from Kingdon Gould, as Trustee and recorded among the Land Records of Howard County, Maryland, in Liber 5867, Folio 368. The said Chase Limited Partnership was converted to Chase Land, LLC by Articles of Organization dated and filed with the Maryland State Department of Assessments and Taxation on December 23, 2004; and
0465, MSA_CE	WHEREAS, the Developer has undertaken to develop a parcel of land owned by the Owner shown on the Site Development Plan entitled " <u>Ridgelys Run Community Center</u> ", and described in Howard County Tax Map Number 43 as Part of Parcel Number 235, Block Numbers 7, 8, and 13, in the Sixth Election District, Tax Account Number 06-396216; and
OC 4818, p.	WHEREAS, after approval of the Site Development Plan, the Developer is required to construct a private storm water management system ("Private Improvements" hereinafter) in accordance with the provisions of Section 18.900 <u>et seq.</u> of the Howard County Code and PSWM Agreement No. <u>SDP-05-107</u> executed with the County, dated <u>February</u> , 2006, and incorporated herein by reference ("Developer Agreement" hereinafter); and
(Land Re	WHEREAS, the Owner is the titleholder of the aforesaid parcel of land (the "Property" hereinafter) upon which the Private Improvements are to be constructed.
	NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants and agreements hereinafter expressed, the Developer and Owner, for themselves and their successor and assigns, and the County agree as follows:
HOWARD COUNTY CIRCUIT	<ol> <li><u>Maintenance of Improvements</u>: Developer and Owner, for themselves, their heirs, successors and assigns, hereby stipulate full awareness, understanding and acceptance of their responsibilities under this Agreement and shall maintain, in perpetuity,</li> </ol>
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## Maryland Department of the Environment Lists Savage Stone not Chase Land as the Mine Operator

MDE shows that Savage Stone is the owner of the mining permit. It was originally issued to Chase Mining before its name change to Savage Stone.



The ownership of the quarry property is further complicated that the SDP for the school site has Savage Stone and not Chase Land as the owner.

9 SAVAGE STONE PROPERTY EX. MINING PERMIT NO .: MP-02-SP-0599 rida *(is*ca) 

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The unclear ownership relationships are also demonstrated by the listing below on the Brownfield Master Inventory Report from July 2, 2018. It includes "Savage Stone," "Chase," and "Laurel Sand & Gravel, Inc."

<b></b>	Brownfield Mast	ter Inventory (BMI) Repo July 02, 2018		es, By County
oward MI#: MD1614 Lo	ong Reach Village	Center - : 8775 Cloudlea	p Court, Colun	nbia
Assessment Ongoing:	Yes Reme	diation Ongoing: No		ation Issued: <u>No</u>
Withdrawn from VCP: Factsheet URL: Fact Sh		Closed/Archived: <u>No</u>		
Voluntary Cleanup Progr		Fed F	acility: <u>No</u>	State Master List*: No
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The Ryland Group, Inc., 62	240 Old Dobbin Lan	e, Suite 190, Columbia MD	21045	INCULPABLE PERSON
ang, Miller & Associates,	Inc., 5320 Phelps L	uck Drive, Columbia MD 21	045	RESPONSIBLE PERSON
Assessment Ongoing: Withdrawn from VCP: Factsheet URL: <u>No Fac</u>	No Site	diation Ongoing: <u>No</u> Closed/Archived: <u>No</u>	Determin	ation Issued: <u>No</u>
Voluntary Cleanup Progr	ram (VCP): Yes	Fed F	acility: <u>No</u>	State Master List*: No
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Brownfield Assessme	ent Project: No	National Priority List	(NPL): No	Site Assessment Project: No
MI#: <u>MD1792</u> M ai	leadowridge Prop nd due west of Int	erty - Includes Cemetery I erstate 95, adjacent to 65	ane West (VC 10 Meadowridg	P): South side of Meadowridge Road ge Road, Elkridge
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Withdrawn from VCP:	No Site	Closed/Archived: No		
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Voluntary Cleanup Progr	ram (VCP): No	Fed F	acility: <u>No</u>	State Master List*: No
Groundwater Investigation		Frm. Used Def. Site (F	UDS): <u>No</u>	Non-Master List*: No
Brownfield Assessme	ent Project: No	National Priority List	(NPL): <u>No</u>	Site Assessment Project: No
	avage Stone Qua Road, Jessup	rry Chase School Haul Pr	oject - Laurel S	and & Gravel, Inc.: South of Mission
Assessment Ongoing:	No Reme	ediation Ongoing: No	Determin	nation Issued: <u>Yes</u>
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\* State Master and Non-Master Lists replaced by Brownfield Master Inventory (BMI)

Further complications arise because of the current state of the MDE mining records. In a phone call with MDE on April 22, 2019, MDE staff stated that Savage Stone renewed its mining permit on January 17, 2019. The owner of the fee simple property and of the mine are both listed as Savage Stone. Chase Land does not appear in the current MDE records.

Chase Land, LLC is not now and appears never to have been the operator of the quarry. So when section 1.2 of the DRRA states that Chase Land will "operate" the quarry, this appears to be an inaccurate statement. The County has no relationship under the DRRA with the operator of the quarry. If the quarry companies were to be sold to third parties, they would be totally separate from Chase Land and the other Gould family companies. Howard County would perhaps have rights as a third party beneficiary of any lease between Chase Land and the mine operators, but not under the DRRA. So the ownership and corporate relationships of the various Gould family companies needs to be not only disclosed but clarified regarding the Quarry Property and the ownership of the quarry. In addition, it seems that perhaps Savage Stone should be added as a necessary party to the DRRA.

(The Howard County Solicitor has been made aware of many of these issues, but believes it is the responsibility of the Petitioner to disclose those entities with legal or equitable interests in the Property, and he finds the DRRA legally sufficient).

### Sayers, Margery

From:	Stuart Kohn <stukohn@verizon.net></stukohn@verizon.net>
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Subject:	We Need Improvements on Late And Substantive Amendments

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Dear Council Members and County Executive Ball,

Good Morning.

Last night at the Council's Public Legislative Hearing many in the audience were dismayed concerning the extremely almost last minute amendment filing to CR49-2019. In fact some of our Council members were not aware of it. The lack of transparency and "Substantive" Amendments need to be curtailed for the betterment of public communications.

County Executive Ball stated on 8 April in his Press-release the following regarding his rationale for vetoing CB11 - the Scenic Roads Bill - "I know that we all support transparency and public participation." He is absolutely CORRECT. We have a suggestion for improvement. The suggestion is that NO FILING of ANY AMENDMENTS SHALL BE PERMITTED 7 CALENDAR DAYS PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED DATE OF THE PUBLIC LEGISLATIVE HEARING. This would give your constituents the opportunity to review, make comments and include any concerns or improvements to the given Amendment in a Public setting so ALL parties can hear the testimony. To say the public can provide written testimony regarding the Bill to include all the Amendments is by far not the same as oral testimony. This is especially true if a Councilperson has a question pertaining to the testimony. Upon hearing the testimony a person in the audience might pick something up whereby they previously didn't think about it enabling them to include testimony on the Amendment.

As you know we are not at all happy with not having guidelines which could possibly establish defining what constitutes "Substantive" Amendments. If we could to some extent quantify this it would be be beneficial for all concerned parties.

We suggest after the Budget Hearings that a small group get together to brainstorm and discuss a means to once and for all establish criteria to overcome the problem of what is the meaning of "Substantive" and the last minute filing of Amendments which the public should have the opportunity to orally testify

We would appreciate your feedback on this most important matter. Perhaps by the lessons learned we can all obtain a better understanding and appreciation to rectify the problem which has plagued us for far too long.

Sincerely,

Stu Kohn HCCA President

Sent from my iPhone