

**Howard County**
Internal Memorandum

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Subject: County Council Resolution to Approve the 2020 Interim Amendment of the Howard County Master Plan for Water & Sewerage- Testimony

Date: December 17, 2020

Presented below is our testimony for the County Council resolution to approve a 2020 Interim Amendment of the Master Plan for Water & Sewerage.

The Cattail Creek Country Club applied for a State Groundwater Wastewater Discharge Permit Area with the Maryland Department of the Environment. In accordance with State regulations (COMAR 26.08.04.02A.2.b), a statement is required from the Department of Public Works that the proposed wastewater activity is in compliance with the Master Plan for Water and Sewerage.

The project site is within the County's No Planned Service (NPS) Area and is in compliance with Section 4.4, Sewage Disposal- Private Systems of the 2015 Master Plan for Water and Sewerage and 2019 Interim Amendment.

Table 10 Inventory of Existing Wastewater Treatment Plants and Table 10A- Summary of Existing and Planned Permit Discharges of the 2015 Master Plan are hereby amended to add the Cattail Creek Country Club project to the list of facilities.

Howard County Fiscal Analysis:

The proposed wastewater system will be a privately owned, operated and maintained wastewater treatment facility with a State Groundwater Discharge Permit to discharge advance treated wastewater to groundwater via subsurface absorption trenches. Operation of the system will be under the direction of a Maryland State Certified Operator in accordance with the State discharge permit. Howard County will have no cost participation in the project.

The Permittee (Cattail Creek Country Club) will be required to provide on-site construction inspection and monthly operating and monitoring reports to MDE in accordance with the Discharge Permit. The Howard County Health Department will provide periodic inspection during construction and periodic on-site inspections to monitor performance.

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