From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, November 03, 2014 12:06 PM

To:

Habicht, Kelli

Subject:

FW: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

For file

----Original Message----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Kari Fjallstrom

Sent: Saturday, November 01, 2014 11:55 AM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Nov 1, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

I oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base". Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to exclude the state lands.

Development and environmental protection in the State Park should not be governed by the Heritage Area plan and the comprehensive plans of the counties, but by the Management Plan of the Park itself. Because there is no current Management Plan for the Patapsco Valley State Park, a new Plan should be written by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources with public participation.

I believe that the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the boundaries of the Heritage Area proposed for Baltimore and Howard Counties until an up-to-date Management Plan is prepared by the state with public input.

I recommend redrawing the boundaries of the proposed Heritage Area in the Patapsco Heritage Greenway draft Management Plan to EXCLUDE the Patapsco Valley State Park.

Thank you.

Sincerely

Ms. Kari Fjallstrom 10631 Whimbrel Dr Anchorage, AK 99507-6517

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, October 20, 2014 7:51 AM

To:

Tony Misner

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Thank you for your e-mail regarding Patapsco State Park. The County Council passed Resolution 96-2014 approving the Patapsco Heritage Area Plan on July 25, 2014. While the Park remains within the Heritage Area, its management and ownership remains with the State's Department of Natural Resources.

The Council appreciates your interest.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Tony Misner

Sent: Sunday, October 19, 2014 4:01 AM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Oct 19, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

I oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base". Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to exclude the state lands.

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I recommend redrawing the boundaries of the proposed Heritage Area in the Patapsco Heritage Greenway draft Management Plan to EXCLUDE the Patapsco Valley State Park.

Thank you.

Mr. Tony Misner PO Box 553 Andover, NJ 07821-0553 (973) 534-3934

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, October 13, 2014 7:57 AM

To:

Habicht, Kelli

Subject:

FW: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

For file

----Original Message-----From: Tolliver, Sheila

Sent: Monday, October 13, 2014 7:56 AM

To: 'Amy Shepard'

Subject: RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Thank you for your e-mail regarding Patapsco State Park. The County Council passed Resolution 96-2014 approving the Patapsco Heritage Area Plan on July 25, 2014. While the Park remains within the Heritage Area, its management and ownership remains with the State's Department of Natural Resources.

The Council appreciates your interest.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message-----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Amy Shepard

Sent: Saturday, October 11, 2014 1:16 AM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Oct 11, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

I oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base". Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to exclude the state lands.

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I recommend redrawing the boundaries of the proposed Heritage Area in the Patapsco Heritage Greenway draft Management Plan to EXCLUDE the Patapsco Valley State Park.

Thank you.

Sincerely

Ms. Amy Shepard 746 Pearson Point Pl Annapolis, MD 21401-4524 (703) 759-3981

From:	Tolliver Sheila

Sent: Thursday, October 09, 2014 7:53 AM

To: Lauren Barker

Subject: RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

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The Council appreciates your interest.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message-----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Lauren Barker

Sent: Wednesday, October 08, 2014 10:08 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Oct 8, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

I oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base". Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to exclude the state lands.

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I recommend redrawing the boundaries of the proposed Heritage Area in the Patapsco Heritage Greenway draft Management Plan to EXCLUDE the Patapsco Valley State Park.

Thank you.

Miss Lauren Barker 3501 Amber Oaks Dr Howell, MI 48855-7105 (248) 379-6249

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Tuesday, September 23, 2014 1:49 PM

To:

Joanna Beaumont

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

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The Council appreciates your interest in this management issue so far from your home.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Joanna Beaumont

Sent: Tuesday, September 23, 2014 1:26 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Sep 23, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

I oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base". Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to exclude the state lands.

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I recommend redrawing the boundaries of the proposed Heritage Area in the Patapsco Heritage Greenway draft Management Plan to EXCLUDE the Patapsco Valley State Park.

Thank you.

Mrs. Joanna Beaumont 150 Northgate Rd Riverside, IL 60546-1617

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, September 25, 2014 7:54 AM

To:

Doris Davis-Bates

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Thank you for your e-mail regarding Patapsco State Park. The County Council passed Resolution 96-2014 approving the Patapsco Heritage Area Plan on July 25, 2014. While the Park remains within the Heritage Area, its management and ownership remains with the State's Department of Natural Resources.

The Council appreciates your interest in this local management issue regarding a park so far from your Kansas home.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Doris Davis-Bates

Sent: Thursday, September 25, 2014 12:43 AM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Sep 24, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

I oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base". Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to exclude the state lands.

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I recommend redrawing the boundaries of the proposed Heritage Area in the Patapsco Heritage Greenway draft Management Plan to EXCLUDE the Patapsco Valley State Park.

Thank you.

Ms. Doris Davis-Bates 603 Elm St Coffeyville, KS 67337-4935 (620) 251-3445

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, September 29, 2014 7:51 AM

To:

Robin Kautz

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Thank you for your e-mail regarding Patapsco State Park. The County Council passed Resolution 96-2014 approving the Patapsco Heritage Area Plan on July 25, 2014. While the Park remains within the Heritage Area, its management and ownership remains with the State's Department of Natural Resources.

The Council appreciates your interest.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Robin Kautz

Sent: Saturday, September 27, 2014 10:18 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Sep 27, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

I oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base". Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to exclude the state lands.

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I recommend redrawing the boundaries of the proposed Heritage Area in the Patapsco Heritage Greenway draft Management Plan to EXCLUDE the Patapsco Valley State Park.

Thank you.

Ms. Robin Kautz 4211 Garrett Park Rd Silver Spring, MD 20906-4831

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, October 06, 2014 4:17 PM

To:

Habicht, Kelli

Subject:

FW: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

-----Original Message-----From: Tolliver, Sheila

Sent: Monday, October 06, 2014 4:17 PM

To: 'Lisa Lipham'

Subject: RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Thank you for your e-mail regarding Patapsco State Park. The County Council passed Resolution 96-2014 approving the Patapsco Heritage Area Plan on July 25, 2014. While the Park remains within the Heritage Area, its management and ownership remains with the State's Department of Natural Resources.

The Council appreciates your interest.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message-----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Lisa Lipham

Sent: Monday, October 06, 2014 4:00 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Oct 6, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

I oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base". Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to exclude the state lands.

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I recommend redrawing the boundaries of the proposed Heritage Area in the Patapsco Heritage Greenway draft Management Plan to EXCLUDE the Patapsco Valley State Park.

Thank you.

Sincerely

Miss Lisa Lipham 696 New Hope Rd Fayetteville, GA 30214-3705

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Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, September 22, 2014 7:56 AM

To:

Julia Kaloustian

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Thank you for your e-mail regarding Patapsco State Park. The County Council passed Resolution 96-2014 approving the Patapsco Heritage Area Plan on July 25, 2014. While the Park remains within the Heritage Area, its management and ownership remains with the State's Department of Natural Resources.

The Council appreciates your interest in this matter, which is so far from your home.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Julia Kaloustian

Sent: Sunday, September 21, 2014 4:50 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Sep 21, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

I oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base". Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to exclude the state lands.

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I recommend redrawing the boundaries of the proposed Heritage Area in the Patapsco Heritage Greenway draft Management Plan to EXCLUDE the Patapsco Valley State Park.

Thank you.

Miss Julia Kaloustian 1263 Peralta Dr San Jose, CA 95120-5301

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, September 15, 2014 8:09 AM

To:

Leslie Sharlock Habicht, Kelli

Cc: Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Thank you for your e-mail regarding Patapsco State Park. The County Council passed Resolution 96-2014 approving the Patapsco Heritage Area Plan on July 25, 2014. While the Park remains within the Heritage Area, its management and ownership remains with the State's Department of Natural Resources.

The Council appreciates your interest.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message-----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Leslie Sharlock

Sent: Sunday, September 14, 2014 8:56 AM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Sep 14, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

I oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base". Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to exclude the state lands.

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I recommend redrawing the boundaries of the proposed Heritage Area in the Patapsco Heritage Greenway draft Management Plan to EXCLUDE the Patapsco Valley State Park.

Thank you.

Sincerely

Ms. Leslie Sharlock 128 W Liberty Rd Slippery Rock, PA 16057-5306 (724) 355-3821

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Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Friday, September 05, 2014 11:49 AM

To:

Callie Cardenas

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Thank you for your e-mail regarding Patapsco State Park. The County Council passed Resolution 96-2014 approving the Patapsco Heritage Area Plan on July 25, 2014. While the Park remains within the Heritage Area, its management and ownership remains with the State's Department of Natural Resources.

The Council appreciates your interest in the management of this Maryland park, particularly in light of the distance from which you write.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message-----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Callie Cardenas

Sent: Friday, September 05, 2014 5:13 AM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Sep 5, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

I oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base". Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to exclude the state lands.

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I recommend redrawing the boundaries of the proposed Heritage Area in the Patapsco Heritage Greenway draft Management Plan to EXCLUDE the Patapsco Valley State Park.

Thank you.

Mrs. Callie Cardenas 8020 W Howard Ave Milwaukee, WI 53220-1614

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2014 8:04 AM

To:

Liz Reed

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Thank you for your e-mail regarding Patapsco State Park in Howard County, Maryland. The County Council passed Resolution 96-2014 approving the Patapsco Heritage Area Plan on July 25, 2014. While the Park remains within the Heritage Area, its management and ownership remains with the State's Department of Natural Resources.

The Council appreciates your interest in the management of this Maryland park.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Liz Reed

Sent: Sunday, September 07, 2014 8:21 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Sep 7, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

I oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base". Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to exclude the state lands.

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I recommend redrawing the boundaries of the proposed Heritage Area in the Patapsco Heritage Greenway draft Management Plan to EXCLUDE the Patapsco Valley State Park.

Thank you.

Ms. Liz Reed 21363 W Engle Dr Lake Villa, IL 60046-5409 (000) 000-0000

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Tuesday, August 26, 2014 12:21 PM

To:

Germano Brandes

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Thank you for your e-mail regarding Patapsco State Park. The County Council passed Resolution 96-2014 approving the Patapsco Heritage Area Plan on July 25, 2014. While the Park remains within the Heritage Area, its management and ownership remains with the State's Department of Natural Resources.

The Council appreciates your interest in this legislation which affects parkland so far from your home.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Germano Brandes

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2014 9:52 AM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Aug 26, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

I oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base". Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to exclude the state lands.

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I recommend redrawing the boundaries of the proposed Heritage Area in the Patapsco Heritage Greenway draft Management Plan to EXCLUDE the Patapsco Valley State Park.

Thank you.

Mr. Germano Brandes Rua Otacilio Couto, 365 Lages, Sc, SC 88502 322-2203

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 31, 2014 2:43 PM

To:

Omar Siddique

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Thank you for your message asking that the Patapsco State Park be omitted from the Patapsco Heritage Greenway. This legislation was passed with amendments on July 25. The Park remains in State control, although it is within the heritage area. The Council appreciates your interest.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council 410 313-2001

----Original Message-----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Omar Siddique

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2014 12:15 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Jul 31, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

I oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base". Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to exclude the state lands.

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Mr. Omar Siddique 4517 Rebecca Ct Ellicott City, MD 21043-6010

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Friday, August 01, 2014 7:49 AM

To:

kanta masters

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Thank you for your email concerning Council Resolution 96-2014. How impressive that you would be monitoring this local Maryland legislation from California!

CR 96-2014 was passed with amendments on July 25, 2014. Although the park is included in the Patapsco Greenway Heritage area, it will continue to be managed and overseen by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources. The legislation never proposed otherwise, but amendments did clarify that the local legislation would not alter ownership of or responsibility for the park.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council 410 313-2001

----Original Message----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of kanta masters

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2014 10:43 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Jul 31, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

I oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base". Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to exclude the state lands.

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Ms. kanta masters 1175 Saxony Rd Encinitas, CA 92024-2226

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, August 11, 2014 8:32 AM

To:

Habicht, Kelli

Subject:

FW: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Legis. file, CR 96-2014.

----Original Message----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Sharon Narushoff

Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2014 11:36 AM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Aug 10, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

I oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base". Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to exclude the state lands.

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I recommend redrawing the boundaries of the proposed Heritage Area in the Patapsco Heritage Greenway draft Management Plan to EXCLUDE the Patapsco Valley State Park.

Thank you.

Sincerely

Ms. Sharon Narushoff 11 Willow Ct Hanover, PA 17331-4318 (717) 632-3712

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, August 11, 2014 8:54 AM

To:

Ned Overton

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Thank you for your e-mail regarding Patapsco State Park. The County Council passed Resolution 96-2014 approving the Patapsco Heritage Area Plan on July 25, 2014. While the Park remains within the Heritage Area, its management and ownership remains with the State's Department of Natural Resources.

The Council appreciates your interest.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Ned Overton

Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2014 11:31 AM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Aug 9, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

I oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base". Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to exclude the state lands.

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Thank you.

Mr. Ned Overton 16 Renown St Lake Grove, NY 11755-2014

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, August 11, 2014 9:26 AM

To:

Ruth Wickless

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

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The Council appreciates your interest.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Ruth Wickless

Sent: Wednesday, August 06, 2014 12:43 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Aug 6, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

I oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base". Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to exclude the state lands.

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Thank you.

Mrs. Ruth Wickless 1203 Oakland Terrace Rd Halethorpe, MD 21227-2845

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, August 11, 2014 1:41 PM

To:

Habicht, Kelli

Subject:

FW: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Cr 96-2014

----Original Message----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Colin Boysel

Sent: Saturday, August 02, 2014 2:03 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Aug 2, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

I oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base". Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to exclude the state lands.

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Mr. Colin Boysel 344 County Road 142 S West Mansfield, OH 43358-9535 (937) 355-4042

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Tuesday, August 12, 2014 7:55 AM

To:

Rosemary Murray

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Thank you for your e-mail regarding Patapsco State Park. The County Council passed Resolution 96-2014 approving the Patapsco Heritage Area Plan on July 25, 2014. While the Park remains within the Heritage Area, its management and ownership remains with the State's Department of Natural Resources.

The Council appreciates your interest.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message-----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Rosemary Murray

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2014 1:11 AM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Aug 12, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

I oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base". Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to exclude the state lands.

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Thank you.

Ms. Rosemary Murray 508 Washington St Royersford, PA 19468-2542 (611) 111-1111

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Tuesday, August 19, 2014 7:41 AM

To:

Nasrin Mazuji

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Thank you for your e-mail regarding Patapsco State Park. The County Council passed Resolution 96-2014 approving the Patapsco Heritage Area Plan on July 25, 2014. While the Park remains within the Heritage Area, its management and ownership remains with the State's Department of Natural Resources.

The Council appreciates your interest.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message-----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Nasrin Mazuji

Sent: Monday, August 18, 2014 9:14 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Aug 18, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

I oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base". Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to exclude the state lands.

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Dr. Nasrin Mazuji 3498 Little Hill Ln Sierra Vista, AZ 85635-8101 (520) 732-9136

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Tuesday, August 19, 2014 7:44 AM

To:

Paul-Denis Clermont

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Mr. Paul-Denis Clermont 5334 Rue Drolet Montreal, QC H2T 2H4

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Wednesday, August 20, 2014 7:38 AM

To:

mona Peterson

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Thank you for your e-mail regarding Patapsco State Park in Howard County, Maryland. The County Council passed Resolution 96-2014 approving the Patapsco Heritage Area Plan on July 25, 2014. While the Park remains within the Heritage Area, its management and ownership remains with the State's Department of Natural Resources.

The Council appreciates your interest in this legislative matter so far from your home in South Dakota.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of mona Peterson

Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2014 7:47 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Aug 19, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Ms. mona Peterson 1801 Scenic Court Dr Mitchell, SD 57301-6329 (605) 630-9839

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 31, 2014 9:34 AM

To:

Warren Bagby

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Thank you for your email proposing that the Patapsco Heritage Greenway plan exclude the Patapsco State Park. The Council passed CR 96-2014 on July 25, with amendments. The amendments clarify that the Park, while included in the heritage area, will continue to be owned and managed by the State Department of Natural Resources. Plans and improvements in the Park will continue to be the responsibility of the State. Local governments and non-profit groups do not have the authority to overrule State law; the proposal never envisioned that including the park in the heritage area would change the responsibility for the park.

The Council appreciates knowing your perspective on this.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council 410 313-2001

----Original Message----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Warren Bagby

Sent: Saturday, July 26, 2014 4:33 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Jul 26, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

I oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base". Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to exclude the state lands.

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Mr. Warren Bagby 2803 Sydney Ave Forestville, MD 20747-2847

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 31, 2014 8:37 AM

To:

Pam Wilbourn

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Thank you for your email regarding the Patapsco Heritage Greenway plan. The County Council adopted CR 96-2014 with amendments on July 25, 2014. The amendments clarify that ownership of the Patapsco State Park and determination of plans and their implementation for the park reside with the Maryland Department of Natural Resources. The resolution and the PHG plan adopted by the County Council do not supersede State law in this regard.

The Council members appreciate knowing your perspective on this matter.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council 410 313-2001

----Original Message----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Pam Wilbourn

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2014 8:15 AM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Jul 31, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Mrs. Pam Wilbourn 18221 E 11 Mile Rd Roseville, MI 48066-2958 (586) 445-6236

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Friday, July 25, 2014 7:58 AM

To:

Habicht, Kelli

Subject:

FW: To: Howard County Times and Howard County Council re: Patapsco Valley Heritage

Area plan

File w/ CR 96

From: Sigaty, Mary Kay

Sent: Thursday, July 24, 2014 6:15 PM

To: Tolliver, Sheila

Subject: FW: To: Howard County Times and Howard County Council re: Patapsco Valley Heritage Area plan

FYI.

Mary Kay Sigaty Howard County Council Member District 4

3430 Court House Drive Ellicott City, MD 21043 410-313-2001

From: Barb Krupiarz < barbkrup@verizon.net > Date: Thursday, July 24, 2014 at 4:27 PM

To: Courtney Watson <cwatson@howardcountymd.gov>, Calvin Ball <cball@howardcountymd.gov>, Jen Terrasa

<iterrasa@howardcountymd.gov>, Mary Kay Sigaty < mksigaty@howardcountymd.gov>, Greg Fox

<gfox@howardcountymd.gov>, "srappaport@tribune.com" <srappaport@tribune.com>, "ayeager@tribune.com"

<ayeager@tribune.com>

Subject: To: Howard County Times and Howard County Council re: Patapsco Valley Heritage Area plan

An article in the 24 July 2014 Howard County Times states that the Howard County Council is receiving correspondence directly from the Department of Natural Resources concerning the proposed "Patapsco Valley Heritage Area" that includes one-third of Patapsco Valley State Park.

The article quotes John Wilson, the Associate Director for Stewardship in the DNR Land Acquisition and Planning group. He confirms the statement in the Heritage Area proposal: "The planning staffs of MD DNR's Land Acquisition and Planning Group and Integrated Policy and Review Unit are involved in all long-range planning, management, and development projects within the park."

John Wilson is also the DNR representative to the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority, the state agency that will decide about certifying the Heritage Area. So, the same person who is approving plans in the Park is sitting on the MHAA Board approving grant proposals.

The public was asked to comment on the Heritage Area proposal on July 21, with a County Council vote set for 25 July. We can't be expected to comment on your unpublished correspondence regarding the State Park. We can only comment on what is written in the proposal, which includes no information about funding for the State Park or public involvement in Park planning and management. Additionally, there were no DNR representatives at the public hearing.

The PHG, Inc's Management plan states: "Patapsco Heritage Greenway, Inc. (PHG), as the heritage area's management entity, will coordinate these efforts working with its heritage partners." The plan also talks about such things as doling out financial resources to partners, planning additional trails in the Park and working with partners on the development of the Rt 1 Corridor. Note that no "heritage partners" have signed on, nor have been formally named in the plan. And, there already exists a Trail Management Plan which was developed by DNR with appropriate public comment and government procedures followed.

The proposal also states that the "managing entity" for the Heritage Area is eligible to apply for a Management Grant of \$100,000 per year. This funding does not go to the State Park. It goes to the organization that submitted the proposal, the Patapsco Heritage Greenway, Inc. There are 12 Heritage Areas in Maryland already and each of them receives the Management Grant every year -- up to \$1,200,000 per year -- out of a total grant budget of \$3 million.

Patapsco Heritage Greenway, Inc. would be eligible for that subsidy in perpetuity, even if the Heritage Area did not include the State Park. However, the organization would not be allowed to apply for grant funding for construction projects in the State Park if the Heritage Area did not include the State Park. That means that John Wilson would not be giving DNR approval to projects and then approving the grant proposals for those projects that are submitted to the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority.

Mary Kay Sigaty expressed her disbelief that the Sierra Club would not want money going to improve the STATE Park

from a private organization managing the process. She is missing the big picture and, to this voter at least, seems to perpetuate the belief that our local government is out for money without regard to the long term public good.

Barbara Krupiarz 7834 Rockburn Dr. Ellicott City, MD 21043

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 24, 2014 7:36 AM

To:

Habicht, Kelli

Subject:

FW: "Patapsco Valley Heritage Area"

Cr 96

From: Richard Fawcett [mailto:themdfawcetts@excite.com]

Sent: Wednesday, July 23, 2014 6:25 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: "Patapsco Valley Heritage Area"

Dear Council Members,

I have been a resident of Columbia for 43 years and have see many changes, both good and bad, throughout these years in Maryland. We moved to Howard County because of its beautiful rural settings, its new, planned community and its proximity to Baltimore and Washington. We enjoyed taking the children to see Symphony Woods, and to the nearby Patapsco Valley State Park to play in its streams and forest, and enjoy the serenity that nature had to offer. Over the years, as Columbia and the county have grown in population and decreased in open spaces, we have valued the peacefulness of the park and the joy nature has provided even more.

I, therefore, am strongly opposed to the "Patapsco Valley Heritage Area". Please keep the park as a natural setting. Keep it as a place to enjoy our state's forests and river, void of large populations of tourists and development and abounding with wonderful flora and fauna where our children can hike and experience its wonders. Do not give up the 5000 acres to tourism development.

Sincerely,

Elsa

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0007 Maily

Columbia,

Fawcett

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From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 24, 2014 12:20 PM

To:

Iain Farrance & Gail McLean

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Thank you for your e-mail to the members of the County Council. They appreciate your interest in CR 96-2014 and will bear in mind your comments as they consider this item.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message-----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Iain Farrance & Gail McLean

Sent: Thursday, July 24, 2014 9:58 AM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Jul 24, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

I oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. Any State Park, all key parts of the natural resources available for enjoyment by all Maryland residents, should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism. A Park is not the place for "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base".

Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to exclude the Patapsco Valley State Park and keep the park protected state lands.

Environmental protection and development and in the State Park should not be governed by the Management Plan of the Park itself. The Heritage Area plan and comprehensive plans of Baltimore and Howard Counties are not in the best interests of the Park and all Maryland citizens.

I recommend redrawing the boundaries of the proposed Heritage Area in the Patapsco Heritage Greenway draft Management Plan to EXCLUDE the Patapsco Valley State Park.

Thank you.

Sincerely

Dr. Iain Farrance & Gail McLean 10326 Twinedew Pl Columbia, MD 21044-3811

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 24, 2014 4:52 PM

To:

cruzkatherine@gmail.com

Subject:

FW: Proposed Management Plan for the Patapsco Heritage Area

Thank you for your e-mail to the members of the County Council. They appreciate your interest in matters before them and will bear in mind your comments as they consider this item. I regret the delay in responding to your e-mail. It was misrouted by the County's e-mail system.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message-----From: Tolliver, Sheila

Sent: Thursday, July 24, 2014 4:46 PM

To: Tolliver, Sheila

Subject: FW: Proposed Management Plan for the Patapsco Heritage Area

----Original Message-----

From: Katherine Cruz [mailto:cruzkatherine@gmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2014 10:32 AM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Proposed Management Plan for the Patapsco Heritage Area

To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing in regards to the Proposed Management Plan for the Patapsco Heritage Area. I am a resident of Howard County and have been for 22 years. The Patapsco River is by far one of our greatest draws to the area and a treasure to those who reside near it. Please strongly consider the proposed plan so that residents and future generations can continue to enjoy the Patapsco Valley for all it has to offer. I have spent many summers kayaking on the river and hiking the paths near its shores. I would hate to see that taken away from others due to the valley not receiving the proper care it deserves.

Thank you, Katherine Cruz

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Wednesday, July 23, 2014 9:56 AM

To:

hufnagel@comcast.net

Subject:

RE: NO to creating a Patapsco Valley Heritage Area

Thank you for your e-mail to the members of the County Council. They appreciate your interest in CR 96-2014 and will bear in mind your comments as they consider this item.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

From: hufnagel@comcast.net [mailto:hufnagel@comcast.net]

Sent: Tuesday, July 22, 2014 7:26 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: NO to creating a Patapsco Valley Heritage Area

I enjoy the Patapsco River Parks, frequently taking children there or doing 'back to nature' walks with the Sierra Club.

PLEASE don't let this become a hassle with the kids asking for 'snacks' and no birding. Bah.

Sincerely,

Beth Hufnagel, Elkridge 21075

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Wednesday, July 23, 2014 9:56 AM

To:

Janice White

Subject:

RE: Tourism Development on State Land

Thank you for your e-mail to the members of the County Council. They appreciate your interest in CR 96-2014 and will bear in mind your comments as they consider this item.

The County does not have authority to override the rights of the State with respect to State-owned parkland, nor is that suggested by CR 96-2014. Any improvements within the park would be subject to State approval.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message-----

From: Janice White [mailto:richard 8165@verizon.net]

Sent: Tuesday, July 22, 2014 6:52 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Tourism Development on State Land

Please keep our State Park out of the Tourism Development Plan. The proposed "Patapsco Valley Heritage Area that would include 5000 acres of Patapsco Valley State Park and half the length of the Patapsco River to increase economic activity associated with tourism will damage or even destroy the park. There will have to be infrastructure, roads, natural resources (water) etc. to support this type of development.

The roads are already over crowded and I do not look forward to a time when my home or part of my property is taken over by the state to support recreation. The developers who are interested in this type of development only care about their pocketbook, not the environment or the quality of life of the people who live in Howard County.

Say no to Development on State Land.

Janice L. White 675 Gaither Road Sykesville, Maryland 21784

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Wednesday, July 23, 2014 12:34 PM

To:

Habicht, Kelli

Subject:

FW: Constituent telephone call

Cr 96 file

From: Beach, Meredith

Sent: Wednesday, July 23, 2014 10:01 AM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Constituent telephone call

Mr. Anthony Zuccarini called today to say that he was against CR96. His address is 7005 Cedar Ave, Elkridge Md 21075. He had no other comments.

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Wednesday, July 23, 2014 10:06 AM

To:

hepringle@verizon.net

Subject:

RE: Patapsco Heritage Greenway and Patapsco Valley State Park

Thank you for your e-mail to the members of the County Council. They appreciate your interest in CR 96-2014 and will bear in mind your comments as they consider this item. If the legislation is passed, the State's Department of Natural Resources will still oversee the park and improvements to it will be subject to State approval. The park's ownership and oversight is provided in State law, and County law is subservient to State law.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

From: hepringle@verizon.net [mailto:hepringle@verizon.net]

Sent: Tuesday, July 22, 2014 10:32 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Patapsco Heritage Greenway and Patapsco Valley State Park

Dear County Council Members,

I wrote a previous e-mail through the Sierra Club stating my opinion that the Patapsco Valley State Park should not be included in the Heritage Tourism Area.

Tourists have myriad places to visit in the Baltimore/DC area. But the wildlife and native plants that call PVSP home have no where else to go. The park should be preserved for its natural resources, after all God created more than human beings. The Maryland Department of Natural Resources is best qualified to manage the park. I have met some DNR biologists and believe that they are highly qualified and care deeply about living plants and creatures.

Please vote to exclude PVSP from the Heritage Tourism Area.

Sincerely,

Heidi Pringle

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Tuesday, July 22, 2014 11:25 AM

To:

Denise Griffin

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

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Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message-----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Denise Griffin

Sent: Monday, July 21, 2014 6:18 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Jul 21, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

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I recommend redrawing the boundaries of the proposed Heritage Area in the Patapsco Heritage Greenway draft Management Plan to EXCLUDE the Patapsco Valley State Park.

Thank you.

Sincerely

Ms. Denise Griffin 1211 Seven Hills Dr Mobile, AL 36695-8481

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Tuesday, July 22, 2014 10:51 AM

To:

John Will

Subject:

RE: Patapcso heritage greenway

Thank you for your e-mail to the members of the County Council. They appreciate your interest in CR 96-2014 and will bear in mind your comments as they consider this item.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message----

From: John Will [mailto:jwill678@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, July 21, 2014 8:00 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Patapcso heritage greenway

My family and I have spent many enjoyable hours in various stream cleanups around the ellicott city area over the years. Several years ago I brought my canoe to a cleanup, and we pulled close to 100 automobile tires from the river between old EC and the (now torn down mill). One of the most satisfying aspects of the entire experience was that there was no government involvement (lazy overpaid union bums).

Any connection with the Sierra club will lose me as a supporter.

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Tuesday, July 22, 2014 10:47 AM

To:

Sarah Manger

Subject:

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Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

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From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Sarah Manger

Sent: Tuesday, July 22, 2014 10:19 AM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Jul 22, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Mrs. Sarah Manger 752 Oella Ave Ellicott City, MD 21043-4728 (410) 750-2547

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Tuesday, July 22, 2014 10:46 AM

To:

Larry Schoen

Subject:

RE: Last Night's meeting

Thank you for your e-mail to the members of the County Council. They appreciate your interest in CR 96-2014 and will bear in mind your comments as they consider this item.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

From: Larry Schoen [mailto:larryschoen@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, July 22, 2014 10:31 AM

To: Sigaty, Mary Kay **Cc:** CouncilMail

Subject: Last Night's meeting

Mary Kay, I came to the public hearing last night to hear more about the Patapsco Heritage Greenway but was not able to stay late enough, given where it was on the Agenda. Attached are my thoughts on that issue and two others that were the subject of the hearing. Please consider the following my written testimony.

PHG CR 96: I favor the idea of the Greenway and the limited types of improvements in the valley, which seem to be clearly described in the plan. For instance, it is a good thing if the PHG concept facilitates the development of viewing areas around the Thomas Viaduct, or the restoration of ruins in the valley that allow us to appreciate its industrial heritage. The plan clearly states that in its vision. If it somehow allows development in green areas, that would not be a good thing in my opinion. However, but I don't see that in the plan. I understand that this has created concern among some, such as the Sierra Club, of which I've been a member and with whose local group I hike in the Park, but I don't agree with their opposition to PHG.

Electric Charging Stations CB 36: There are appropriate and inappropriate locations for reserved parking and charging stations. Does a spot outside a quick stop pharmacy such as CVS, Walgreens and RiteAid really serve anyone well? This type of charging station is green "window dressing" since a quick stop does not allow enough time to charge a car. How long does someone actually remain inside the store to charge the car? Furthermore, reserving this spot for electric only vehicles uses a prime spot that can be used by the rest of us for a quick errand. More appropriate locations would be at the home, hotels, motels and perhaps at a shopping mall or sit down restaurant.

Although I am generally in favor of building the infrastructure for electric vehicles, there is an impression that electric vehicles are more environmentally friendly than they actually are in Maryland, due to our heavy reliance on coal. According to http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/states/electricity_generation.cfm/state=MD "The fuel mix used by electric power companies to generate electricity points to the relative carbon intensity in the state electric power sector."

Rather than making it illegal for a non-electric vehicle to park in any charging spot, why not leave it up to the owner of the property to designate what they believe is the best use of their parking? Some may choose a simple, "Electric vehicle charging," merely a suggestion, while others may choose, "Electric vehicles only while charging – 4 hour limit." See for example,

http://www.afdc.energy.gov/uploads/publication/ev_road_signage_final_feport.pdf.

Eminent Domain CB 38: I am concerned about unintended consequences of this proposed law and I favor defeating it and deciding the issue on a case-by-case basis. The examples that I heard from those testifying in favor of the law were about condemnation of land for roadway purposes, a use that the proposed law would not address. Furthermore, those testifying seemed satisfied with some previous decisions not to condemn, a result which itself argues for such decisions to be made case-by-case.

The cases that the law does seems to want to address would be assembling land for redevelopment by "...condemnation for economic development purposes or to transfer property to a private entity for its benefit..."

My concern is that redevelopment of areas of the County could be held up by one property owner holding it hostage and refusing to sell, or demanding an exorbitant price for property. When an individual owner's parcel is needed for a large project that will benefit the residents of the County, that owner should be fairly compensated and a decision made on that case. Trying to look into the future and anticipate every use of eminent domain is an exercise fraught with the danger of unintended results.

Furthermore, the language is ambiguous and I fear that it has not been fully thought through. Would it prohibit or allow condemning land for a road or public building if its purpose or ultimate effect was "economic development"? As you know, I serve on the Public Transportation Board; would this law prevent or allow condemnation of land for a bus stop or a rail line if its purpose could be construed as economic development or if it were transferred to a semi-private entity that operated a transport service?

On the other hand would it prohibit or allow "transfer to a private entity," of a blighted property to a developer if the County deemed that the public benefit far outweighed the benefit to the "private entity"?

Thank you for the opportunity to present my views.

Lawrence J. (Larry) Schoen Home: 410-730-3090 Mobile: 410-340-1525

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Tuesday, July 22, 2014 10:24 AM

To:

Scott Lores

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

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Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

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From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Scott Lores

Sent: Monday, July 21, 2014 8:17 PM

To: CouncilMail

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Jul 21, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Mr. Scott Lores 12012 Margaret Ct Marriottsville, MD 21104-1440

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Tuesday, July 22, 2014 10:23 AM

To:

Vanessa Hoffman

Subject:

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Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

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From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Vanessa Hoffman

Sent: Monday, July 21, 2014 9:48 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Jul 21, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

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Unless significant growth of protected forest is added to the plan to counteract the destruction of state park land, the plan is easily able to manipulate the detsruction and pollution of park space. Neglect the need to keep purity and integrity of the natural quality of life found only when the hand of man is far removed from the conscious eye is the big issue. Reclaiming land and water ways by forcing the plan to include a minimum annual growth plan that designates a chunky percentage of income on just purchasing newly reclaimed land that will add to the forests/local ecosystems' territories. Any land that is destroyed, was destroyed or will be destroyed must be reclaimed else where within 365 days or so; none of these reclaimed due to destruction can include areas of endangered ecosystems or species, and none are

allowed to be counted under the already mentioned minimum quota of reclaimed land to be absorbed by the park system of each year. Growth and maintenance of any heritage tourism resulting from the proposed construction/business plans of increasing the "parks"

protected land perpetually should be given a "trust fund" as part of the projects permanent lans plans too. Not only would this bring more people, donations, and profit it will increase the value to the experience thus maintaining the permanence of the facility and businesses. Without serious land additions annually to the parks boundaries especially around wetland, recovered farmlands, and micro parks that help bridge isolated regions that would be proud places to start new trails through building through or on state park or private gain is is a violation and would not service the community in preserving heritage unless it expands what it needs to be preserved, conserved, and restored what it has and will aways be founded on...mother nature and all it's healing powers for the mind body and soul. Charge stations at each entrance (bike foot or car) solicits fees that would be higher than other Thank you.

Sincerely

Ms. Vanessa Hoffman 9421 Farewell Rd Columbia, MD 21045-4441 (443) 878-9425

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Tuesday, July 22, 2014 10:23 AM

To:

Barb Krupiarz

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Thank you for your e-mail to the members of the County Council. They appreciate your interest in CR 96-2014 and will bear in mind your comments as they consider this item.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

From: Barb Krupiarz [mailto:barbkrup@verizon.net]

Sent: Monday, July 21, 2014 11:48 PM

To: Sigaty, Mary Kay **Cc:** CouncilMail

Subject: Re: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Mrs. Sigaty -

Since I did not provide written testimony, I wanted to give you a hard copy of the section of PHG, Inc's Executive Summary that I read during my oral testimony tonight.

"The business plan for heritage area outlines how PHG, Inc.— as the heritage area's management entity

 will govern itself, operate sustainably, collaborate with partners, and interface with the Maryland

Heritage Areas Authority to accomplish the vision for the heritage area. By definition a heritage area

assumes a network of partners collaborating to realize a shared vision, with the knowledge that by

working with one another they can accomplish far more than when acting alone. PHG, Inc.will lead the

effort, providing the framework for action through its management plan; offering leadership, incentives,

technical assistance, and opportunities for financial support to partners; and fostering programs that

stimulate partners to undertake projects and build the heritage area."

You asked why we weren't happy that there is funding to improve the park, however, what might the cost be of a precedent set by allowing private entities to manage programs that have always been and should be under government control? Do the ends justify the means? How is PHG, Inc. going to provide financial support to partners? Who will decide how much?

Here is an excerpt from the introduction to the Patapsco Valley State Park Trail Management Plan which shows how the process is supposed to work:

"In November 1995, the Department of Natural Resources initiated a cooperative effort with the Patapsco Valley State Park Trails Management Committee to address the issues facing the trail system at Patapsco Valley. The committee consisted of members of biking, hiking and equestrian organizations as well as individuals selected by the county governments to represent interested citizens. Trail options were examined during meetings and field investigations. A draft trail management plan was developed and

made available for public review in June,1998. A thirty day written comment period followed. This formal document, which reflects the responses received during the comment period, provides a guide for managing the trail system and protecting the associated natural resources of Patapsco Valley State Park."

Sincerely, Barbara Krupiarz 7834 Rockburn Dr. Ellicott City, MD 21043

On 7/21/2014 3:53 PM, Sigaty, Mary Kay wrote:

Mrs. Krupiarz,
Thank you for your letter.

Mary Kay Sigaty Howard County Council Member District 4 3430 Court House Drive Ellicott City, MD 21043 410-313-2001

On 7/19/14, 11:08 AM, "Barbara Krupiarz" <sierra@sierraclub.org> wrote:

Jul 19, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

I oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the

boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in

the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to

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with public input.

I urge redrawing the boundaries of the proposed Heritage Area in the

Patapsco Heritage Greenway draft Management Plan to EXCLUDE the Patapsco Valley State Park.

In closing, it is an election year and more and more voters are catching on to the politics as usual in this county and voting against it.

Thank you.

Sincerely

Mrs. Barbara Krupiarz 7834 Rockburn Dr Ellicott City, MD 21043-7071 (410) 379-5631

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Tuesday, July 22, 2014 10:12 AM

To:

Rae DiPietro

Subject:

RE: Patapsco Valley Heritage Area

Thank you for your e-mail to the members of the County Council. They appreciate your interest in CR 96-2014 and will bear in mind your comments as they consider this item.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

From: Rae DiPietro [mailto:rae.dipietro@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, July 22, 2014 7:19 AM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Patapsco Valley Heritage Area

Dear councilmen and women,

I was unable to make the public hearing (July 21) on this issue. I have read the document that states the purpose of this activity is to, "increase the economic activity associated with tourism." I am in agreement with the Sierra Club assessment that the wording in some areas of the document is vague and suggests that they may intend to build a theme shopping center inside the park. While it appears the organization is doing good things for the park I don't believe they should be given access to complete their plans until they specify in writing where they intend to provide "theme shopping," as it certainly DOES NOT belong inside the park.

Therefore, unless Patapsco Heritage Greenway, Inc presents very specific plans and wording to their proposal I would request you vote NO on this activity. They certainly have the right to take their time and put together a better proposal and re-present it at a future date. If they do not, then they were just a big business concern hiding behind an environmental name. Voting NO at this time doesn't cost anyone ,it just provides some delay to think things through clearly,

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Tuesday, July 22, 2014 10:11 AM

To:

Till Family

Subject:

RE: Patapsco Heritage Area - Council Bill # 96-2014

Thank you for your e-mail to the members of the County Council. They appreciate your interest in CR 96-2014 and will bear in mind your comments as they consider this item. They are sorry that the late hour required your leaving the hearing, but they appreciate your following up by sending your testimony.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

From: Till Family [mailto:ecrats@verizon.net]
Sent: Tuesday, July 22, 2014 8:01 AM

To: CouncilMail; Till Family

Subject: Patapsco Heritage Area - Council Bill # 96-2014

Council Members,

My name is Thomas Till and I was at the Council Meeting last night but needed to leave at 11:00 pm, which ended up being before I was called to speak. The email is to provide you with the remarks and comments I hoped to present in person.

My wife Susan and I are Howard County Residents. Our address is 5062 Winesap Way, Ellicott City.

I attended the Council Meeting to express my objection to the proposed Patapsco Heritage Area. Specifically, I do not believe the Patapsco State Park should be included in the Patapsco Heritage Area.

We moved to Howard County approximately 1 year ago, from Fairfax County Virginia. A major part of our decision in moving to Howard County and purchasing our home in Ellicott City was our easy access to Patapsco State Park. My wife and I love to walk and we use the park regularly (we live less than a 1/4 mile from the entrance). We would like to keep the Patapsco State Park as a public managed open space, managed by the Maryland State Park System. We see no benefit of interjecting a private (albeit non-profit) enterprise into this system.

Comments:

- 1) Not one presenter indicated any issues with the existing Patapsco State Park, other than that they did not have an up to date plan.
- 2) We do not want to increase development on state land, which is an objective of the Patapsco Heritage Greenway organization
- 3) PHG indicated that there was adequate outreach for the public to comment, this is not true! The first we ever heard of this issue was 2 days before the meeting. Adequate outreach would have been putting placards

and other communications up in the Park and sending notices out to the community to make the public aware. None of this ever happened or I would have seen it.

4) We cannot abdicate public responsibility to effectively manage our park system to private enterprise.

Thank You,

Thomas Till

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 17, 2014 10:34 AM

To:

Lynda Osterman

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

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Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message-----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Lynda Osterman

Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2014 10:23 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Jul 16, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Ms. Lynda Osterman 8128 Tamar Dr Columbia, MD 21045-2885

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 17, 2014 10:34 AM

To:

Robin Whitaker

Subject:

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Ms. Robin Whitaker 7382 Broken Staff

Columbia, MD 21045-5012 (410) 381-4830

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Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 17, 2014 10:34 AM

To:

Ilsa Lottes

Subject:

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Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2014 10:25 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Jul 16, 2014

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Sincerely

Dr. Ilsa Lottes

9500 Sidebrook Rd Apt 309 Owings Mills, MD 21117-7595 (443) 812-2139

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 17, 2014 10:34 AM

To:

Cynthia Cupples

Subject:

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Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2014 10:26 PM

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Ms. Cynthia Cupples 8720 Doves Fly Way Laurel, MD 20723-1250

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 17, 2014 10:35 AM

To:

Linda Lewis

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

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Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

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Sent: Thursday, July 17, 2014 12:24 AM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Jul 16, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

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Ms. Linda Lewis 10705 Graeloch Rd

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Sent:

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To:

Richard Bourgin

Subject:

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Jul 16, 2014

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Dr. Richard Bourgin

PO Box 1007 Savage, MD 20763-1007

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Tolliver, Sheila

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Maria Alvarez

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Sent: Thursday, July 17, 2014 7:24 AM

To: CouncilMail

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Jul 17, 2014

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We can't continue to destroy everything green around us.

Thank you.

Sincerely

Ms. Maria Alvarez 5064 Lake Cir W Columbia, MD 21044-1442

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 17, 2014 10:35 AM

To:

Mary Mabe

Subject:

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Ms. Mary Mabe 6028 Claire Dr Elkridge, MD 21075-5321 (443) 517-7359

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 17, 2014 10:37 AM

To:

Ann Hohmann

Subject:

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Sheila Tolliver
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Howard County Council
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Sent: Thursday, July 17, 2014 8:25 AM

To: CouncilMail

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Jul 17, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Dr. Ann Hohmann 13465 Long Days Ct Highland, MD 20777-9757

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 17, 2014 10:38 AM

To:

Leslie Winston

Subject:

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Jul 17, 2014

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Sincerely

Dr. Leslie Winston 5685 Harpers Farm Rd Unit F Columbia, MD 21044-2266

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 17, 2014 10:47 AM

To:

James Fitzgerald

Subject:

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Jul 17, 2014

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Mr. James Fitzgerald 8321 Oak Bush Terr Columbia, MD 21045

From:

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Sent:

Thursday, July 17, 2014 10:48 AM

To:

Norma Eigles

Subject:

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Sent:

Thursday, July 17, 2014 10:52 AM

To:

timothy french

Subject:

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From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of timothy french

Sent: Thursday, July 17, 2014 10:26 AM

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Jul 17, 2014

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Mr. timothy french PO Box 1243

Ellicott City, MD 21041-1243

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 17, 2014 12:49 PM

To:

Anna Schrad

Subject:

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Sincerely

Ms. Anna Schrad 11001 Old Court Rd Woodstock, MD 21163-1105

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 17, 2014 12:57 PM

To:

Carol Nida

Subject:

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Sincerely

Ms. Carol Nida 1608 Knoxville Rd Edgewater, MD 21037-2505 (410) 956-3289

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 17, 2014 2:04 PM

To:

David Rosenstein

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Council Resolution 42-2014 - Confirming the appointment of Charley C. Sung to the Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board. (tabled 6-2-14)

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Sent: Thursday, July 17, 2014 2:01 PM

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Mr. David Rosenstein 4273 Bright Bay Way Ellicott City, MD 21042-5941

From:

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Carolyn Schwalbe

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Ms. Carolyn Schwalbe 9434 Old Man Ct Columbia, MD 21045-4418 (410) 964-3721

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 17, 2014 3:04 PM

To:

Elizabeth Skirven

Subject:

RE: Patapsco State Park

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From: Elizabeth Skirven [mailto:eskirv1@verizon.net]

Sent: Thursday, July 17, 2014 3:03 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Patapsco State Park

Dear Members of the Howard County Council,

I have grave concerns about the proposed commercialization of parts of Patapsco Valley State Park. While I have not seen the Heritage Area proposal, I feel strongly that, in this time of rapidly decreasing green space, the natural resources in the park should be protected through an up-to-date Management Plan written by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources with public awareness of what is proposed and participation. Until such time, as this Management Plan is written, Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposed Heritage Area.

Sincerely,

Betty Skirven 9011 Queen Maria Court Columbia, MD 21045

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 17, 2014 10:29 AM

To:

cathy stogel

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

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Ms. cathy stogel 800 S Rolling Rd Catonsville, MD 21228-5317

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Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Jul 16, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Mr. John Acevedo PO Box 423 Simpsonville, MD 21150-0423

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 17, 2014 10:30 AM

To:

Susan Bannister

Subject:

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Jul 16, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

I oppose privatization of our State Park as per the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new, privately managed, Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park, which includes 5000 acres of Patapsco Valley State Park and half the length of the Patapsco River, must be EXCLUDED from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by a private corporation interested in "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base". Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to EXCLUDE our public state lands.

A private organization, Patapsco Heritage Greenway, Inc., wrote and submitted the proposal to the two counties, and this private corporation will become the "managing entity" of the Heritage Area, which includes 5000 acres of Patapsco Valley State Park and half the length of the Patapsco River! If approved, the Heritage Area Plan will amend the natural resource conservation and land use plans of two counties, without general public consent. Our public lands must not be privatized by a corporation, and the public must be involved in decisions regarding management of this land for the benefit of the people of the State.

Development and environmental protection in the State Park must not be governed by the privately developed Heritage Area plan and the comprehensive plans of two counties. As public land, it must be governed by a Management Plan of the State Park itself. Because there is no current Management Plan for the Patapsco Valley State Park, a new plan must be written by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources with PUBLIC participation.

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Mrs. Susan Bannister 5418 High Tor Hl Columbia, MD 21045-2440

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Sent:

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To:

Cyndee Stephenson

Subject:

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Sincerely

Mrs. Cyndee Stephenson 6133 Sinbad Pl Columbia, MD 21045-4317 (443) 538-4873

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Kris Juffer

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Sincerely

Dr. Kris Juffer PO Box 494 Ellicott City, MD 21041-0494 (410) 465-1299

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 17, 2014 10:31 AM

To:

cynthia roth

Subject:

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Sincerely

Ms. cynthia roth 805 Charles James Cir

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 17, 2014 10:31 AM

To:

Janet Ameen-Lee

Subject:

RE: Please protect Patapsco Valley State Park

Thank you for your e-mail to the members of the County Council. They appreciate your interest in CR 96-2001 and will bear in mind your comments as they consider this item.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

From: Janet Ameen-Lee [mailto:ameenjm@hotmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2014 4:52 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Please protect Patapsco Valley State Park

To whom it may concern:

This is to indicate my opposition to include Patapsco Valley State Park in the proposed "Maryland Heritage Area" by a private business. I believe that a management plan should be written by the State for the Patapsco Park, with the input from individuals. I enjoy the Park in its pristine condition, and do not wish to see it developed to encourage tourism.

Thanks very much for considering my point of view when voting on this proposal.

Sincerely,

Janet Ameen-Lee, RN, MSN

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 17, 2014 10:31 AM

To:

Shari Glenn

Subject:

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Ms. Shari Glenn 8313 Whitebark Ct

From:

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To:

Deborah Belchis

Subject:

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Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

From: Deborah Belchis [mailto:dbelchis@gmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2014 5:14 PM

To: Tolliver, Sheila

Subject: Re: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Thank you for your note, Sheila.

I think we have such a treasure in Patapsco. We are very lucky to have such beauty so close.

Best regards, Deborah Belchis

On Wed, Jul 16, 2014 at 3:23 PM, Tolliver, Sheila < STolliver@howardcountymd.gov wrote: Thank you for your e-mail to the members of the County Council. They appreciate your interest in CR 96-2014 and will bear in mind your comments as they consider this item.

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From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Deborah Belchis

Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2014 2:24 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Jul 16, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

Dear Councilmember,

when I moved here 10 years ago the Patapsco park was a treasure that drew me to the area and has been all that i imagined. I strongly oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base". Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to exclude the state lands. We need to advertise the natural the beauty of the Patapsco Valley and use that to entice tourists, not to develop and destroy it.

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Sincerely

Dr. Deborah Belchis 10310 Cromwell Ct Ellicott City, MD 21042-5836

From:

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Sent:

Thursday, July 17, 2014 10:32 AM

To:

teri helms

Subject:

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Mrs. teri helms 1414 Ridge Rd

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Heidi Pringle

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Miss Heidi Pringle 3237 Ramblewood Rd Ellicott City, MD 21042-2445

From:

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Thursday, July 17, 2014 10:33 AM

To:

Keith Kuhlemeier

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I visit the park on a weekly basis as a hike leader for the Mountain Club of Maryland and the Mid-Atlantic Hiking Group. This park is a treasure and we are lucky to have it. It is not in the best long- or short-term interests of Maryland to let private developers influence the park. We know what will happen if they can.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Keith Kuhlemeier 3753 Spring Meadow Drive Ellicott City, MD 21042

Sincerely

Dr. Keith Kuhlemeier 3753 Spring Meadow Dr Ellicott City, MD 21042-5155 (410) 245-9842

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 17, 2014 10:33 AM

To:

Joelle Biele

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Sincerely

Dr. Joelle Biele 10091 Century Dr Ellicott City, MD 21042-6221

From:

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Sent:

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To:

Kirk Siegwarth

Subject:

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Ken Schaffer

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PVSP is a jewel to be treasured - not exploited for someone's personal profit motives!

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Mark Hensman

Subject:

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Sincerely

Mr. Mark Hensman 8514 Timber Pine Ct Ellicott City, MD 21043-6063

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 17, 2014 10:34 AM

To:

Famgarner@aol.com

Subject:

RE: Maryland Heritage Area for Patapsco Valley

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From: Famgarner@aol.com [mailto:Famgarner@aol.com]

Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2014 9:27 PM

To: CouncilMail

Cc: famgarner@aol.com

Subject: Fwd: Maryland Heritage Area for Patapsco Valley

Comments for Howard County Council.

From: Famgarner@aol.com

To: mlanham@baltimorecountymd.gov

CC: famgarner@aol.com

Sent: 7/16/2014 9:22:44 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time Subj: Re: Maryland Heritage Area for Patapsco Valley

I am a longtime member of Patapsco Heritage Greenway, Inc, (PHG) and at one time was on the Board of Directors and chaired the Environmental Committee. I am also a lifetime member of the Sierra Club. In the past I have been involved in disagreements between these two groups.

I believe that a Heritage Area for the Patapsco Valley can work for the valley but that the plan submitted needs to be amended. PHG has made wonderful efforts including better interpretive signs, stream cleanups, and tree plantings. However, land management issues should be determined solely by Patapsco Valley State Park (PVSP) and the Department of Natural Resources.

The PHG web site says it "is dedicated to preserving, protecting, interpreting and restoring the environment, history and culture of the Patapsco River Valley." The heritage area proposal says it is to "promote heritage tourism by creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base." I don't believe that these two statements are consistent. While good state parks help create wonderful business opportunities, the management of the park should be the sole responsibility of the park itself and the Department of Natural Resources. They should have final say on all issues.

The Sierra Club is promoting a new management plan for PVSP. While a new, updated plan is sorely needed, it would take years to produce. I don't support that PVSP be part of the heritage area until the issue of final responsibility for management of the park is resolved.

Robert L. Garner 608 Norhurst Way Catonsville, MD 21228 410-788-3767

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Thursday, July 17, 2014 10:34 AM

To:

Manuela Hensman

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Thank you for your e-mail to the members of the County Council. They appreciate your interest in CR 96-2001 and will bear in mind your comments as they consider this item.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message-----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Manuela Hensman

Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2014 10:23 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Jul 16, 2014

Howard County Councilmember

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Ms. Manuela Hensman 8514 Timber Pine Ct Ellicott City, MD 21043-6063 (410) 461-8215

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Friday, July 18, 2014 8:17 AM

To:

Mark Sweeney

Subject:

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Sincerely

Mr. Mark Sweeney 4005 Gray Rock Dr Ellicott City, MD 21042-3794

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Friday, July 18, 2014 8:18 AM

To:

Maria Clark

Subject:

RE: State Park Hearing

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Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message-----

From: Maria Clark [mailto:maj831@hotmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 17, 2014 10:32 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: State Park Hearing

To Whom It May Concern;

It is about time the public lands be expanded, not dismantled. The common good of the people who use these parks, and the mature that lives there it greater than the county's monetary profit!!!! When will it be enough? Stop depleting the land.

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Friday, July 18, 2014 8:18 AM

To:

Kip Hust on

Subject:

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Sent: Friday, July 18, 2014 1:27 AM

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Sincerely

Mr. Kip Hust on 2385 Ballard Way Ellicott City, MD 21042-1781

From:

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Sent:

Friday, July 18, 2014 8:18 AM

To:

Donna Lott

Subject:

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Sincerely

Ms. Donna Lott 2300 Carr Ct Ellicott City, MD 21042-1787

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Friday, July 18, 2014 9:58 AM

To:

Dawn Zimmerman

Subject:

RE: Patapsco Valley State Park - Tourism Development

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Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

From: Dawn Zimmerman [mailto:dawnjz@gmail.com]

Sent: Friday, July 18, 2014 9:21 AM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Patapsco Valley State Park - Tourism Development

Dear County Council,

We are writing this letter as a vote against the Patapsco Valley Heritage Area. As a resident in Ellicott City in the Daniels area, we (and surrounding neighbors) continue to keep the area in a state of enjoyment in a safe park environment. Tourism is not needed from Daniels to Elkridge and Ellicott City to Catonsville. Maryland holds approximately 52 state parks (Patapsco being one of them),

ample enough for tourism if that is what folks are looking for. If not, we have "Charm City". This is where tourism should be focused and income for our state. The protected state land in the park should be excluded from the proposal to "promote heritage tourism" by creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base.

Patapsco Valley State Park **needs to be excluded** from the boundaries of the Heritage Area proposed for Baltimore and Howard Counties until an up-to-date Management Plan is prepared by the state **with public input.** We look forward to the date when public input on the new plan will be implemented.

Patapsco Heritage Greenway, Inc. does not have the best interest for our counties.

Sincerely,

Dawn and Richard Zimmerman Old Frederick Road, Ellicott City, MD 21043

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Friday, July 18, 2014 8:22 AM

To:

Holly Penn

Subject:

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Sent: Friday, July 18, 2014 8:03 AM

To: CouncilMail

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Jul 18, 2014

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Mrs. Holly Penn 2253 Daniels Rd Ellicott City, MD 21043-1907

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Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Friday, July 18, 2014 8:19 AM

To:

Khristina Rhead

Subject:

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Sent: Friday, July 18, 2014 1:42 AM

To: CouncilMail

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I also believe that the park should stay public land owned by the state instead of by a private organization, such as the Patapsco Heritage Greenway Inc.

Thank you.

Sincerely

Ms. Khristina Rhead 5602 Lightspun Ln Columbia, MD 21045-2522

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Friday, July 18, 2014 8:18 AM

To:

Julie Parcells

Subject:

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Ms. Julie Parcells 4706 Woodland Rd Ellicott City, MD 21042-6331

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Friday, July 18, 2014 9:59 AM

To:

william nichols

Subject:

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Mr. william nichols 3613 Rusty Rim Ellicott City, MD 21043-4342

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Friday, July 18, 2014 9:59 AM

To:

Robert Ferraro

Subject:

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Sincerely

Mr. Robert Ferraro 7360 Eden Brook Dr Apt 713 Columbia, MD 21046-1306 (410) 381-1811

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Friday, July 18, 2014 4:03 PM

To:

Habicht, Kelli

Subject:

FW: Constituent call opposing CR96-2014

CR 96 file

From: Respass, Charity

Sent: Friday, July 18, 2014 3:03 PM

To: Ball, Calvin B; Beach, Meredith; Courtney Watson; Fox, Greg; Meyers, Jeff; Sigaty, Mary Kay; Terrasa, Jen; Tolliver,

Sheila; Wimberly, Theo

Subject: Constituent call opposing CR96-2014

Name	Russ Poch
Address	9416 Bullring Lane
	Columbia, MD 21045
District	2
Phone Number(s)	
Email	rpoch@howardcc.edu
Issue	He wanted to let all the Council Members know he is against the Patapsco Park
	Legislation that is up for Public Testimony on Monday night. (Does not plan to
	speak or submit written testimony at this time, just wanted to be "counted")

Charity D. Respass Howard County Council 410-313-2001

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From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Friday, July 18, 2014 4:34 PM

To:

julie dunlap

Subject:

RE: Please stop tourism development in state parks!

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Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

From: julie dunlap [mailto:juliejdunlap@earthlink.net]

Sent: Friday, July 18, 2014 4:34 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Please stop tourism development in state parks!

Dear Council Members,

I am a Howard County resident concerned about the long term heritage and environmental quality of our area. Both are vital to our long term economic development, and I urge you not to allow economic pressures of today to allow development for tourism in one of our most beautiful state parks. Please oppose the proposed inclusion of a major area of Patapsco Vallye State Park in the Patapsco Valley Heritage Area. This would establish a destructive precedent, allowing and even encouraging development on public lands for economic gain. The proposed heritage tourism can be satisfactorily developed without including the state park, while Patapsco State Park would deteriorate or, at least, need more expensive maintenance and security efforts in perpetuity. Still more important, allowing such economic development would weaken the institution of parks in our state, leading to many future incursions into already too-scarce natural resources mean to provide all of us with cleaner air and water and space for healthy exercise, peace, and aesthetic enjoyment.

Please vote No on including the Patapscoe Valley State Park in the new county tourism area.

Thank you, Julie Dunlap

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 7:48 AM

To:

pamela isabel

Subject:

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From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of pamela isabel

Sent: Friday, July 18, 2014 7:04 PM

To: CouncilMail

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Jul 18, 2014

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Sincerely

Ms. pamela isabel 10525 Chester Way Woodstock, MD 21163-1314 (410) 418-8373

From:

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Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 7:48 AM

To:

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Subject:

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From: Ian [mailto:ijar71@gmail.com] Sent: Friday, July 18, 2014 7:50 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Patapsco Valley Heritage Area

I am writing in opposition to the proposed "Patapsco Valley Heritage Area". I don't believe it is the county's or state's best interest to handover planning for this resource to an unelected body.

I won't be able to attend the council meeting on Monday the 21st.

Thank you, Ian Jaranson 7180 Millbury Ct Elkridge, MD

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 7:48 AM

To:

Christine Lee

Subject:

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Commerce dominates our world; we need to preserve those few places where we can just be, neither buying nor selling, just breathing fresh air in open country.

Thank you.

Christine Lee 9125 Baltimore St Savage, MD 20763

Sincerely

Ms. Christine Lee 9125 Baltimore St Unit A Savage, MD 20763-4621

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 7:48 AM

To:

Ronald Meservey

Subject:

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Sincerely

Mr. Ronald Meservey 9447 Brett Ln Columbia, MD 21045-4407 (410) 992-9759

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 7:48 AM

To:

Katherine Schmitt

Subject:

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From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Katherine Schmitt

Sent: Friday, July 18, 2014 9:05 PM

To: CouncilMail

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Sincerely

Ms. Katherine Schmitt 3150 North Ridge Rd Ellicott City, MD 21043-3390

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Wednesday, July 16, 2014 3:24 PM

To:

Diane Swanson

Subject:

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Jul 16, 2014

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Ms. Diane Swanson 11710 Lightfall Ct Columbia, MD 21044-4351

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Wednesday, July 16, 2014 3:27 PM

To:

Robert Hinzman

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

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Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message-----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Robert Hinzman

Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2014 2:53 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Jul 16, 2014

**Howard County Councilmember** 

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Sincerely

Mr. Robert Hinzman 5450 Harpers Farm Rd Apt A1 Columbia, MD 21044-1245

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Wednesday, July 16, 2014 3:24 PM

To:

Deborah Belchis

Subject:

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Jul 16, 2014

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Dear Councilmember,

when I moved here 10 years ago the Patapsco park was a treasure that drew me to the area and has been all that i imagined. I strongly oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base". Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to exclude the state lands.

We need to advertise the natural the beauty of the Patapsco Valley and use that to entice tourists, not to develop and destroy it.

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Dr. Deborah Belchis 10310 Cromwell Ct Ellicott City, MD 21042-5836

From:

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Sent:

Wednesday, July 16, 2014 3:23 PM

To:

Joanne Heckman

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Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2014 12:25 PM

To: CouncilMail

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Jul 16, 2014

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Sincerely

Ms. Joanne Heckman 11174 Wood Elves Way Columbia, MD 21044-1090

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Wednesday, July 16, 2014 3:21 PM

To:

Carrie Eichelberger

Subject:

RE: Private Corporation to Manage State Parkland for Heritage Tourism

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Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

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Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2014 11:53 AM

To: CouncilMail

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Jul 16, 2014

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Sincerely

Ms. Carrie Eichelberger 3047 Lorena Ave

Baltimore, MD 21230-2733 (410) 644-4857

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Wednesday, July 16, 2014 3:21 PM

To:

Heather Moyer

**Subject:** 

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Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2014 11:40 AM

To: CouncilMail

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Sincerely

Ms. Heather Moyer 2002 Grinnalds Ave

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 2:39 PM

To:

Pete Burch

Subject:

RE: Leave the Patapsco State Park out of the Heritage Area

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Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

From: Pete Burch [mailto:peteburch@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, July 21, 2014 2:13 PM

To: Tolliver, Sheila

Subject: Leave the Patapsco State Park out of the Heritage Area

Dear Councilmember,

I'm against any proposal which includes the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. Any plans for the State Park should include public participation and be drafted by the park management, not a private organization such as the Patapsco Heritage Greenway.

As a homeowner with property adjacent to the Park, any plans should be ciruclated to the general public vicinity stakeholders via post. Such plans directly affect our quality of living, our environmental conditions, and our property values.

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Peter Burch

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 5:58 PM

To:

Andrew Burkowske

Subject:

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Jul 21, 2014

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Sincerely

Mr. Andrew Burkowske 3917 Old Columbia Pike Ellicott City, MD 21043-5435

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 4:12 PM

To:

Fabian de Kok

Subject:

RE: No State Parkland land in Heritage Tourism Area!!

Thank you for your e-mail to the members of the County Council. They appreciate your interest in CR 96-2014 and will bear in mind your comments as they consider this item.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

From: Fabian de Kok [mailto:fabiandekok@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, July 21, 2014 4:08 PM

To: mlanham@baltimorecountymd.gov; CouncilMail

Subject: No State Parkland land in Heritage Tourism Area!!

Dear Baltimore County Planning Board,

I'm writing to let you know that I and my family strongly oppose the proposal to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in the boundaries of a new Maryland Heritage Area. The protected state land in the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the proposal to promote heritage tourism by "creating opportunities for small business development, job growth, and a stronger tax base".

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Please revise the boundaries of the Heritage Area to EXCLUDE the Patapsco Valley State Park and other public lands.

Thank you for your time,

Fabian de Kok Oella Resident

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 4:02 PM

To:

Lydia Gregg

**Subject:** 

RE: No State Parkland land in Heritage Tourism Area!!

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Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

From: Lydia Gregg [mailto:lgregg6@jhmi.edu]

Sent: Monday, July 21, 2014 4:01 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: No State Parkland land in Heritage Tourism Area!!

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Thank you for your time,

Lydia Gregg, MA, CMI, FAMI
Instructor, Medical Illustrator
Division of Interventional Neuroradiology and
Dept. of Art as Applied to Medicine
Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine
<a href="http://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/inr">http://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/inr</a>

742 Oella Ave. Ellicott City, MD 21043

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 4:02 PM

To:

Joanne Heckman

Subject:

RE: Patapsco Heritage Greenway, Sierra Club testimony

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Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

From: Joanne Heckman [mailto:joeheckman@verizon.net]

**Sent:** Monday, July 21, 2014 3:58 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Patapsco Heritage Greenway, Sierra Club testimony

## SIERRA CLUB OPPOSES INCLUDINGPVSP IN PHG HERITAGE AREA

The Patapsco Heritage Greenway, Inc. is a private organization that has submitted a proposal to become the "managing entity" of aHeritage Area that would include 5000 acres of Patapsco Valley State Park.

The purpose of the Heritage Area is to "increase the economic activity associated with tourism" by "creating opportunities for small business development, jobgrowth, and a stronger tax base". This is not an appropriate goal for a StatePark.

The "managing entity" is entitled to apply forstate grants for its own management, and also for land acquisition and capitalprojects in the designated area.

The PHG, Inc. draft Management Plan describes landacquisition and constructionprojects that PHG would carry outin Patapsco Valley State Park.

The PHG's draftManagement Plan for the new Heritage Area has been submitted to BaltimoreCounty and to Howard County for approval. The Maryland Department of NaturalResources (which includes the Maryland Park Service)is not included in the county approval process.

The DNR Management Plan for the Patapsco Valley State Park ought to supersede the PHG Management Plan of the Heritage Area, however, the Maryland Department of Natural Resources has nocurrent Management Plan for the Patapsco Valley State Park. The PHG, Inc. draftManagement Plan describes partnerships, collaborations, and "managementauthority" for the PHG in the State Park, as well as a plan for PHG, Inc. to fundand work on a new DNR Master Plan for the State Park.

#### Sierra Club Position

The proposed "Patapsco Valley HeritageArea" should be defined to exclude the Patapsco Valley State Park from theboundaries of the Heritage Area.

Excluding the State Park from the area does notaffect the ability of the Patapsco Heritage Greenway, Inc. to promote heritagetourism in or around the Park.

It also doesn't affect the ability of the PHG,Inc. to coordinate environmental stewardship activities in the Park, as it hasfor the last 15 years, in collaboration with the Sierra Club and others.

Management of the State Park should be theresponsibility of the Park Service and subject to public oversight. It is notappropriate to give special access, influence, or authority to any particular special-interest group. The Patapsco Heritage Greenway, Inc. is a special interest group seeking a charter to promote heritage tourism. As such, itshould not be given special privileges or responsibilities regarding funding, planning, or development of the State Park.

The Sierra Club, other environmental groups, and special interest groups representing particular users of the State Park, areavailable to collaborate with DNR to develop a new DNR Master Plan for the Patapsco Valley State Park. Decisions about heritage tourism, as one aspect of park management, should be decided in that public forum.

The proposed Heritage Area should not include the State Park until an up-to-date Master Plan (or Management Plan) for the Patapsco Valley State Park has been prepared by DNR with the participation of all stakeholders and the approval of the public.

Howard and Baltimore County are being asked toapprove the Management Plan, including the boundaries of the Heritage Area, theland acquisition and construction proposals listed for the Patapsco ValleyState Park, and the management authority assigned to Patapsco HeritageGreenway, Inc.

The counties do not have theauthority to approve these provisions in the Management Plan on behalf of theState and shouldn't gives the appearance of doing so. The Patapsco Valley StatePark should be excluded from the boundary of the proposed Heritage Area so thatthe County Council's decision applies only to the County.

Quotations (in *italics*) are from the draft Management Plan by the Patapsco Heritage Greenway, Inc. Pagenumbers refer to the June 2014 version of the draft Management Plan.

## Land Acquisition:

- supportingstate funding for land acquisition by MD DNR inPatapsco Valley State Park with emphasis on properties that have historic significance
- PHGwill also focus on working with partners to permanently protect lands of conservation interest, particularly lands that can be added to existing parks for which public accessis possible.

### Construction projects:

These include constructing anoverlook above the Thomas Viaduct, constructing riverfront parks, and constructing numerous trails, trailheads, and parking facilities.

- PHGis currently partnering with Patapsco Valley State Park (MD DNR) to create aviewing area from which visitors can see the viaduct and read about itshistory.
- Action2.4.3d Collaborate with Patapsco Valley State Park (PVSP) (MD DNR) and CSXto develop a viewing platform for the Thomas Viaduct (page 201).
- Ofparticular interest will be exploring opportunities for additional riverfront parks along the Patapsco River (page 203).
- Action4.4.1d Explore opportunities forriverfront parks within the heritage area; support efforts to fund, plan, and develop riverfront parks at identified locations.
- LinkingHeritage Area Experiences
- Action4.2.1a Collaborate with heritage partners to develop a trail link from Oella to Ellicott City.
- Action4.2.1b Collaborate with heritage partners to develop a trail link fromFrederick Road (MD 144) to Illchester.
- Action4.2.1c Collaborate with heritage partners to develop a trail link to EllicottCity via the trestle bridge.
- Action4.2.1d Collaborate with heritage partners to develop a sidewalk on OellaAvenue, linking Banneker Park to the No. 9 Trolley Trail.
- Action4.2.1e Collaborate with PatapscoValley State Park (PVSP) (MD DNR) to develop an ecologically sensitiveloop trail.
- Action 4.2.1f Collaborate with Catonsville Rails to Trails to further develophiking/biking trail enhancements in the greater Catonsville area.
- Action4.2.1g Collaborate with the Howard County Department of Recreation andParks, Patapsco Valley State Park (PVSP) (MD DNR), and Friends of PVSP toexamine options for providing ecologically sensitive trail and biking links toPatapsco Valley State Park; explore options for funding projects; include highpriority projects in annual work plans or in the five-year plan.
- Action4.2.1h Support efforts to provide a trail linking the heritage area with BWIAirport.
- Action4.2.1i Collaborate with Patapsco Valley State Park (PVSP) (MD DNR) to developa recreational trail link from Avalon to the Baltimore Harbor.
- AdequateParking to Accommodate Visitors Seeking to Enjoy Heritage RecreationExperiences

- Action4.2.1j Inventory trailhead parking facilities onall trails; assess parking issues; establish priorities for addressing issues; and explore funding options toaddress issues.
- Managementactions by heritage partners, and supported by PHG, will address
  chronictrail management issues where they currently exist and provide new trail links that will
  enhance connectivity and the general recreation experience throughout the valley. PHGwill
  work with its partners to ensure that best management practices fortrail design, construction,
  and maintenance are used; this will ensurethat potential adverse impacts to the heritage area's
  resources associated withtrail development and use are mitigated.

#### DNR Master Plan (or Management Plan)

- Amajor effort will focus on supporting efforts by MD DNR to complete andimplement a new management plan for Patapsco Valley State Park.
- Action4.1.1a Support efforts by Patapsco Valley State Park (PVSP) (MD DNR) and theFriends of PVSP to pursuefunding for a new management plan for the park; participate as an active stakeholder in plan development; support implementation of plan recommendations.

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 4:00 PM

To:

andrew burkowske

Subject:

RE: Regarding Council Resolution 96-2014

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Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

From: andrew burkowske [mailto:andrewburkowske@hotmail.com]

Sent: Monday, July 21, 2014 3:54 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Regarding Council Resolution 96-2014

Hello,

My name is Andrew Burkowske and I am an Ellicott City resident. I and my family **oppose** Council Resolution 96-2014.

We will be at tonight's hearing to speak as well.

Regards, Andrew Burkowske

Sent from my iPhone

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 2:00 PM

To:

Karen Diana

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

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----Original Message-----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Karen Diana

Sent: Monday, July 21, 2014 1:41 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Jul 21, 2014

**Howard County Councilmember** 

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Mrs. Karen Diana 6126 Arrowwood Ct Hanover, MD 21076-1063

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 12:50 PM

To:

Mark Fradkin

**Subject:** 

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Jul 21, 2014

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Dear Councilmember,

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Mr. Mark Fradkin 2535 Painted Sunset Dr Ellicott City, MD 21042-2358

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 11:16 AM

To:

Hazel Chung

Subject:

RE: opposing proposal tourism development on state land

Thank you for your e-mail to the members of the County Council. They appreciate your interest in CR 96-2014 and will bear in mind your comments as they consider this item.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

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From: Hazel Chung [mailto:hazelchung@verizon.net]

Sent: Monday, July 21, 2014 11:16 AM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: opposing proposal tourism development on state land

Sending a no vote to oppose this development. Hazel Chung Hood 2816 deerfield drive Ellicott City,MD 21043

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 10:21 AM

To:

Bruce D. Whitaker

Subject:

RE: Patapsco Valley Heritage Area

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Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

From: Bruce D. Whitaker [mailto:bruz@comcast.net]

Sent: Monday, July 21, 2014 10:18 AM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Patapsco Valley Heritage Area

Good morning,

I am writing to express my opposition to the inclusion of 5000 acres of Patapsco Valley State Park in the proposed Patapsco Valley Heritage Area.

It is my firm belief that state park lands should notbe a part of a new county tourism area.

Sincerely,

Bruce D. Whitaker 7382 Broken Staff Columbia, MD 21045

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 10:12 AM

To:

Jamie Williams

Subject:

RE: Oppose the Patapsco Valley Heritage Area

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Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

From: Jamie Williams [mailto:jamiew@cmsinc.com]

Sent: Monday, July 21, 2014 10:05 AM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Oppose the Patapsco Valley Heritage Area

I oppose the plan put forth by Patapsco Heritage Greenway to include the Patapsco Valley State Park in a so-called "Patapsco Valley Heritage Area". The park is fairly wild and getting more natural with the planned removal of the Bloede Dam. It is well used by bicyclists, walkers, hikers and horseback riders. In summer, people float or wade in the river and have picnics along its banks. In fact, some days it is rather crowded. The park should be preserved as a natural area - not only for environmental reasons, but also for the use of the taxpayers who enjoy the park. Many people (me amongst them) hike the park 2-3 times a week.

I really don't understand how you can even do this legally since it is a <u>state</u> park. The Maryland Department of Natural Resources had jurisdiction over the management of the park. The land use should be governed by Maryland Land Preservation Parks & Recreation plan which has procedures for plan assessment, public workshops, and future planning.

There is no need for a "managing entity" to promote heritage tourism. We already have Howard County Tourism Inc. and other organizations that promote our county. In fact, tourism already generates an astounding \$590.1 million in visitor expenditures annually and employs over 10,000 people, according to the HoCo Tourism website.

Please keep the Patapsco State Park out of the Tourism Development Plan.

Jamie Williams Elkridge, MD

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 9:04 AM

To:

Liz Feighner

**Subject:** 

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Thank you for your e-mail to the members of the County Council. They appreciate your interest in CR 96-2014 and will bear in mind your comments as they consider this item.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message-----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Liz Feighner

Sent: Sunday, July 20, 2014 11:40 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Jul 20, 2014

**Howard County Councilmember** 

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Ms. Liz Feighner 10306 Champions Way Laurel, MD 20723-5745

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 9:04 AM

To:

Habicht, Kelli

Subject:

FW: Hearing on CR96-2014

**Attachments:** 

Comments to Howard County Council on CR96.docx

Bill file: CR 96

From: rodbarr@verizon.net [mailto:rodbarr@verizon.net]

**Sent:** Sunday, July 20, 2014 10:30 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Hearing on CR96-2014

Attached are comments on CR96-2014 which I plan to offer at the Council public hearing on 21 July.

Roderick Barr

Comments to Howard County Council on CR96-2014

Comments by Roderick Barr, Columbia, MD

Date of Comments – July 21, 2014

The Council should delay approval of the proposal to establish a Patapsco Valley Heritage Area until the proposal is suitably modified to ensure that:

- 1. All portions of Patapsco Valley State Park currently included in the Heritage Area are removed from this Area;
- 2. All planning and zoning decision made by the Heritage Area remain subject to review and approval by relevant county government(s).

Patapsco Valley State Park is a true treasure for residents of adjoining counties and it would be tragic if the Park areas in question were degraded by inappropriate development — this past Saturday I passed, or was passed, by more than 200 people, at least half children and many senior citizens, enjoying the "wild" nature of the park during my two photo hike in the upper Cascades area of the Park.

It is inappropriate for a group dedicated to commercial development, no matter how worthy its aims, to be granted a seemingly poorly defined ability to act in an independent manner in matters of planning and development.

Finally, since our county government has an office of business development, it is unclear why we it is appropriate to provide funding to the Heritage Area for a seemingly parallel effort.

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Tolliver, Sheila

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Monday, July 21, 2014 9:04 AM

To:

rodbarr@verizon.net

Subject:

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To:

Patricia Schuyler

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Sincerely,

Patricia Schuyler 5134 Rondel Place Columbia MD 21044 Sincerely

Ms. Patricia Schuyler 5134 Rondel Pl Columbia, MD 21044-1320

From:

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Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 8:57 AM

To:

Kurt Schwarz

Subject:

RE: Patapsco Heritage Greenway, Resolution 96-2014

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From: Kurt Schwarz [mailto:krschwa1@verizon.net]

Sent: Sunday, July 20, 2014 7:35 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: RE: Patapsco Heritage Greenway, Resolution 96-2014

Importance: High

Dear Howard County Council,

Please see the attached document for the Maryland Ornithological Society's comments regarding Resolution 96-2014 on the proposed Patapsco Heritage Greenway. In short, the Maryland Ornithological Society opposes inclusion of Patapsco Valley State Park within the boundaries of the proposed Patapsco Heritage Greenway. Please see the attached document for why we have taken this position.

Sincerely,

Kurt R. Schwarz
Conservation Chair
Maryland Ornithological Society
www.mdbirds.org
9045 Dunloggin Ct.
Ellicott City, MD 21042
410-161-1643
krschwa1@verizon.net

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 8:56 AM

To:

Bryan Kirshon

Subject:

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Sincerely

Mr. Bryan Kirshon 7814 Shadowood Dr Apt 512 West Melbourne, FL 32904-1447

From:

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Monday, July 21, 2014 8:56 AM

To:

Jarrod Huffman

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Sincerely

Mr. Jarrod Huffman 7502 Westward Way Apt 205 Madison, WI 53717-1682 (414) 837-9059

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 8:56 AM

To:

Laura Thorpe

Subject:

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Sincerely

Ms. Laura Thorpe 708 Conservatory Dr Eldersburg, MD 21784-8979 (410) 552-5261

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 8:55 AM

To:

Kristine Barbieri

Subject:

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From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Kristine Barbieri

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Sincerely

Ms. Kristine Barbieri 9616 Rocksparkle Row Columbia, MD 21045-4337

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 8:51 AM

To:

Kitty Kwan

**Subject:** 

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Sincerely

Ms. Kitty Kwan 17341 Chapparal Ln Huntington Beach, CA 92649-4632

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 8:51 AM

To:

Michael Green

Subject:

RE: Proposed Patapsco Valley Heritage Area

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From: Michael Green [mailto:michaelgreen77@verizon.net]

Sent: Saturday, July 19, 2014 5:21 PM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Proposed Patapsco Valley Heritage Area

Dear Howard County Council,

I am writing to strongly oppose the creation of the Patapsco Valley Heritage Area. This proposal is a thinly veiled attempt to commercialize one of the most important natural areas in Howard County, and indeed Maryland. Lining someone's pockets is not worth the disruption and destruction of portions of this beautiful area.

Not everything should be turned into a profit making venture and this is one example. Please do not approve this request.

Sincerely,

Michael S. Green 8240 Academy Road Ellicott City, MD 21043

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 8:51 AM

To:

Shelley Mazzuca

Subject:

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From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of Shelley Mazzuca

Sent: Saturday, July 19, 2014 2:08 PM

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Sincerely

Mrs. Shelley Mazzuca 2272 Ballard Way Ellicott City, MD 21042-1719 (410) 461-5086

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 8:50 AM

To:

Amin Yazdanian

**Subject:** 

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Sincerely

Dr. Amin Yazdanian 9835 Owen Brown Rd Columbia, MD 21045-4305 (410) 730-4046

From:

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Sent:

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To:

Barbara Krupiarz

Subject:

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In closing, it is an election year and more and more voters are catching on to the politics as usual in this county and voting against it.

Thank you.

Sincerely

Mrs. Barbara Krupiarz 7834 Rockburn Dr Ellicott City, MD 21043-7071 (410) 379-5631

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 8:50 AM

To:

Prashanth Santehkadur

Subject:

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Dr. Prashanth Santehkadur 2346 Ballard Way Ellicott City, MD 21042-1786 (410) 997-3288

From:

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Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 8:50 AM

To:

Sucheta Mehra

Subject:

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Sincerely

Dr. Sucheta Mehra 2346 Ballard Way Ellicott City, MD 21042-1786

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 8:49 AM

To:

Charles Alexander

Subject:

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To: CouncilMail

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Allowing a private company to control a priceless natural resource would only lead to exploitation of this area. I deeply oppose this plan. The park belongs to all the people, and should be maintained with this concept firmly in mind. Thank you.

Sincerely

Mr. Charles Alexander

PO Box 4752 Lutherville Timonium, MD 21094-4752

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From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 8:44 AM

To:

Maida Johnson

Subject:

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Sent: Saturday, July 19, 2014 8:06 AM

To: CouncilMail

Subject: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Jul 19, 2014

**Howard County Councilmember** 

Dear Councilmember,

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Development and environmental protection in the State Park should not be governed by the Heritage Area plan and the comprehensive plans of the counties, but by the Management Plan of the Park itself. Because there is no current Management Plan for the Patapsco Valley State Park, a new Plan should be written by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources with public participation.

I believe that the Patapsco Valley State Park should be excluded from the boundaries of the Heritage Area proposed for Baltimore and Howard Counties until an up-to-date Management Plan is prepared by the state with public input.

I recommend redrawing the boundaries of the proposed Heritage Area in the Patapsco Heritage Greenway draft Management Plan to EXCLUDE the Patapsco Valley State Park.

Thank you.

Sincerely

Mrs. Maida Johnson 2342 Ballard Way Ellicott City, MD 21042-1786 (443) 226-3222

From:

Tolliver, Sheila

Sent:

Monday, July 21, 2014 8:42 AM

To:

richard biele

Subject:

RE: Keep Patapsco Valley State Park Out of Heritage Tourism Development Proposal!

Thank you for your e-mail to the members of the County Council. They appreciate your interest in CR 96-2014 and will bear in mind your comments as they consider this item.

Sheila Tolliver Administrator Howard County Council

----Original Message----

From: Sierra Club [mailto:maryland.chapter@sierraclub.org] On Behalf Of richard biele

Sent: Friday, July 18, 2014 11:05 PM

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Jul 18, 2014

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