

1. Contact Information

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3. Project Information

A. Project Title

- Chesapeake Beach Railroad Trail Feasibility & Design

B. Describe the issue that this project will address.

There are no connecting trail systems within the Town of Upper Marlboro, resulting in pedestrians and cyclists having to travel along busy roadways that may or may not have sidewalks.

C. What past efforts have been made to address this issue?

- The Town has been coordinating with Maryland State Highway Administration and County DPW&T on the expansion of sidewalks along the busy roadways, however, this is the first push in regard to this trail. We are not sure what efforts M-NCPPC has done to advance this planned trail.

D. What are the goals for this project?

- The Town of Upper Marlboro is interested in applying for PAMC funding to conduct a feasibility and construction study for a segment of the M-NCPPC planned Chesapeake Rail Trail between Old Crain Highway and Marlboro Pike. This segment of the trail is vital as it would connect the Villages of Marlboro and other neighborhoods to the north of the Town with the recreational amenities of the Marlboro Boys & Girls Club sports fields to the rear of the Board of Education Administration Building, the Town's new playground and splash pad, and the Downtown Upper Marlboro commercial area.

E. Provide a detailed description of the requested project.

- This project involves the hiring of a firm to conduct a Feasibility & Design study of a segment of the Chesapeake Beach Railroad Trail. While the entire planned Chesapeake Beach Railroad Trail will extend from the District line across Prince George's County to the Patuxent River, this study would be focused on a smaller 0.51-mile segment of the planned trail that spans between

Md 725 Old Marlboro Pike and Old Crain Highway within the Town of Upper Marlboro. This particular segment of the planned trail intersects the boundaries of a property owned by the Maryland National Capital Parks and Planning Commission, a property owned by the Prince George's County Board of Education, and a privately-owned farm. This trail is of interest to the Town given its key position connecting various recreational amenities within the town. If the trail would be ultimately linked to the Show Place Arena, it could be used as an equestrian trail system as well.

F. What are the desired work projects?

- In seeking the completion of this project, an independent firm will be sought out to complete three work projects 1) Conducting a feasibility study that identifies the 2) Provide design and construction details 3) Identify and assist the Town in applying for grants to fund the construction of the project.

G. Who are the potential project partners and contacts?

- Potential project partners invoked during this project include an independent firm sought out by the Town and/or M-NCPPC to conduct the survey.

H. Other relevant stakeholders?

- Maryland-National Capital Parks & Planning Commission and Prince George's County Board of Education would be the two primary stakeholders in this project, as they own the majority of the land the trail would go through.

I. Are you aware of any policies or recommendations in the County's approved plans that this potential project would further?

2014 *Plan 2035 Approved General Plan* Transportation and Mobility Strategies:

- “Where feasible and practical, require physical connections—**such as trail connections**, bus-only streets, and roads—within new and between new and existing developments **in our Established Communities** while making adequate provisions for the mitigation,” (TM1.6, p. 153).
- “**Coordinate future transportation and mobility improvements as outlined in the Master Plan of Transportation**, the Plan 2035 Transportation and Mobility Element, and the Star-Spangled Banner Scenic Corridor Plan to ensure the County's rural character is preserved. **Improvements include promoting the County's equestrian heritage—focused on trails that facilitate access to the Prince George's Equestrian Center, Jug Bay Natural Area**, and Rosaryville State Park—and preserving existing equestrian trail corridors within the Rural and Agricultural Areas,” (TM1.8, p. 153).
- “**Enhance bike lanes and trails connections with key population and employment areas, historic sites and recreational areas...**” (TM4.5, p. 157).

2013 *Approved Subregion 6 Master Plan*:

- “Provide high-quality, multiuse trails along critical stream valley corridors through the acquisition of land prior to development along the following corridors: **Chesapeake Beach Rail Trail**,” (p. 109).

J. Upon completion, what next steps will be taken to implement the project? If a community organization, identify any partners (government agencies, other organizations) that will assist in implementation.

Identification and application of grant funding to begin construction, as well as securing approvals from necessary parties.

K. Provide a map of the project boundaries. (If a municipality, the municipal boundaries or the location of the project within the municipality.)



4. Additional Information

A. No for all

B. Organization Type - Municipality