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2022 Harford County Land Preservation, Parks, and Recreation Plan Open for Public Comment

BEL AIR, Md., (Feb. 17, 2023) – Harford County Executive Bob Cassilly and the Harford County Department of Parks and Recreation have announced the release of the Final Draft 2022 Land Preservation, Parks, and Recreation Plan (2022 LPPRP).

The Plan is an element of the Harford NEXT Master Plan which refines and implements the goals of Harford NEXT. This update process is required by the State of Maryland for continued participation in Program Open Space, a major funding source for parkland acquisition and development.

The 2022 LPPRP will be presented to the Harford County Council for final approval and adoption this Spring.

“I encourage Harford County residents to review this draft plan and provide their input on priorities related to land preservation and parks and recreation facilities,” County Executive Cassilly said.

To continue gathering information from the community the Department of Parks and Recreation has posted the draft document in electronic format on the county’s website.

The document is available for download and viewing at www.harfordcountymd.gov/ and <https://www.harfordcountymd.gov/225/Parks-Recreation> and click on the Draft LPPRP icon.

Citizens who would like to comment on the contents of the plan may do so at pr@harfordcountymd.gov. The public comment period for the Draft LPPRP is open through March 15, 2023.

The 2022 Land Preservation, Parks, and Recreation Plan sets forth several major goals for the Department. These goals include acquiring land and developing facilities, including land and water trails to meet the recreation needs of current and future residents; ensuring the availability of program

opportunities that encourage healthy lifestyles; addressing citizens/participants safety; incorporating appropriate environmental stewardship in Department activities and projects; and incorporating technology to improve the park user experience.

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