The Watershed Conservation District (WCD) is a once-in-a-lifetime chance to rein in sprawl development with lower housing density.

But the growth industry has testified they want to kill the WCD so they can build the 17,000 new housing units presently allowed. They have organized to stop the WCD. Your support is needed. Look for a hearing in late spring!

The amount of development (red) in the WCD is the reason Mattawoman Creek is suffering. The growth industry wants to build-out the rest of the WCD that is not preserved (that is, the lighter green portions).

The WCD benefits taxpayers and homeowners because:

- improves home values by reducing competition and conserving green space
- stabilizes property taxes by avoiding public subsidies for sprawl development
- promotes investment in "Priority Funding Areas," where the state assists with funding
- reduces the county's growth rate—ensures drinking water won't run out as predicted
- reduces growth of congestion on 228 and commuter routes 210 and 301
- alleviates school overcrowding
- keeps Mattawoman Creek from exceeding the "tipping point" for irreversible loss
- conserves important headwaters of the Port Tobacco River like Page's Swamp
- protects the Indian Head naval base, the county's largest employer, from encroachment

Please support the Watershed Conservation District at the upcoming hearing!

Keep informed & learn more at www.mattawomanwatershed.org