

SOLAR OR FOREST?

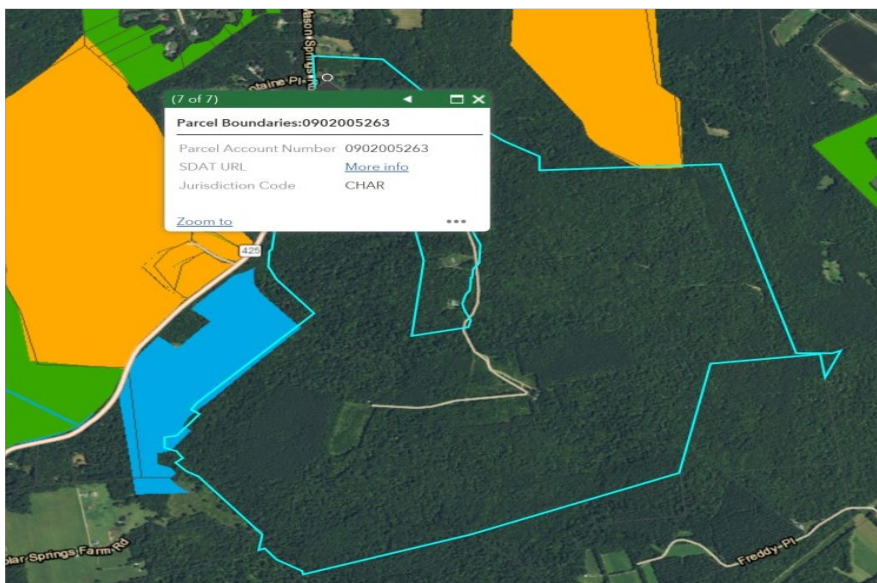
WE SHOULD NOT HAVE TO CHOOSE

WHAT

Georgetown University's solar project would clear-cut 240 acres of high-value forest

WHERE: NANJEMOY FOREST

This project would degrade and fragment the largest forest in Southern Maryland



INSTEAD OF THE FOREST

32.5 mega-watts from 100,000 solar panels

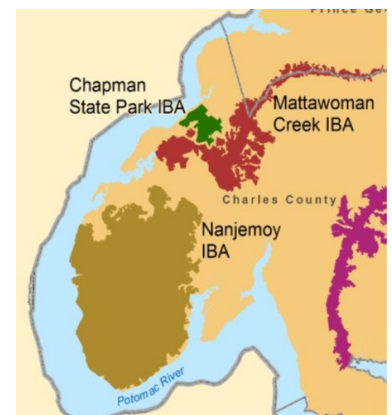
Citizens of Maryland will lose \$585,600 per year in ecological services if destroyed.

-Per-Acre Economic Value of this forest is \$2,440 per acre per year x 240 acres

Maryland Dept. of Natural Resources (MD DNR)

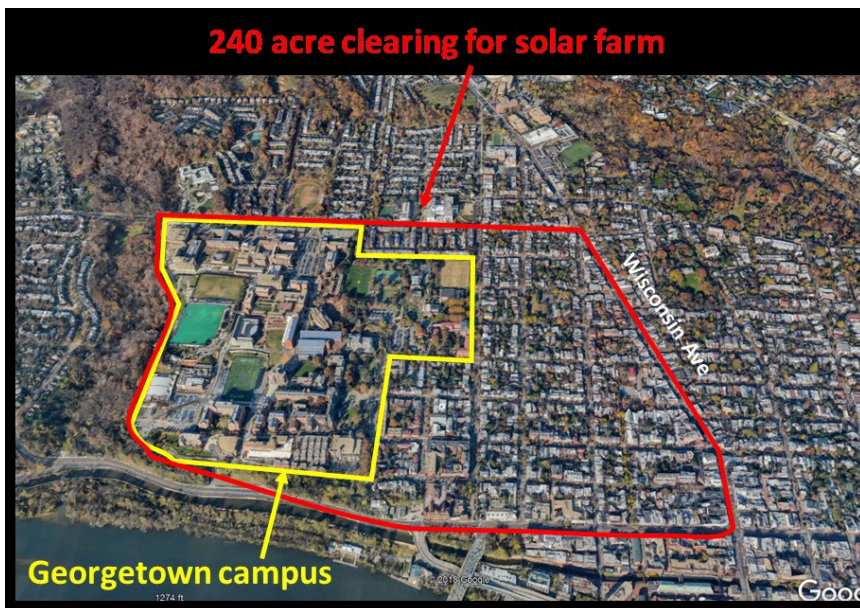
designates this forest as a Targeted Ecological Area (TEA). TEAs are lands and watersheds that have a high ecological value and are identified as priorities for protection.

PROPOSAL FRAGMENTS AN AUDUBON IBA



IMPORTANT BIRD AREA (IBA)

The Georgetown University Campus is about half the size of the proposed 240 acres of forest to be clear-cut in Nanjemoy Maryland.



WE NEED YOUR HELP TO SAVE OUR FOREST: WORK FOR LOCAL AND GLOBAL SUSTAINABILITY

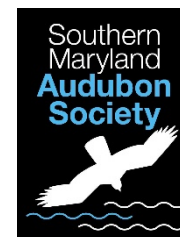
The Site Location is [4850 Shugart Valley Pl, La Plata](#)

POINTS TO MAKE:

- ◆ **The site for this project is controversial because of the loss of forest and the fragmentation impacts the clear cut would have on the even larger surrounding forest.**
- ◆ **The clear cut would degrade two Tier 2 streams (the best in Maryland) and would require crossing one of those streams.**
- ◆ **The location is upstream from a DNR Centennial Site and is a Targeted Ecological Area.**
- ◆ **[Georgetown University](#) will get the same amount of sustainable energy, and sustainable energy credit, keeping with the [American Campuses Act on Climate Pledge \(2015\)](#), when it chooses a better location for their solar project.**



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PLEASE HELP

Let them know that you do not want them to cut down natural forests, impairing Wards Run's two Tier 2 streams for any energy development.

WRITE TO

Maryland Dept. of Environment:
jeffrey.thompson@maryland.gov
and

Georgetown Leadership:
president@georgetown.edu and
vicepresident@georgetown.edu
to object to this project

SHOW UP

Feb. 27, 2019

Charles County
Commissioners Meeting
Room, 7:00PM - 9:00 PM
[200 Baltimore St.](#)

[La Plata, MD 20646](#)

Sign in early to speak and
voice your viewpoint
Review Maps and ask
questions from 6 - 7PM