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From: Leventhal's Office, Councilmember Sent: Thursday, May 14, 2015 8:05 PM

To: Thomas G. Hartsock

Cc: Criss, Jeremy; Charles Schuster; Douglas W. Tregoning; Caroline Taylor; #CCL.Leventhal

Staff

Subject: Re: MAEF Mobile Science Lab funding

Dear Tom,

Jeremy's email is correct. The budget we agreed to this morning includes the funding for the Mobile Agricultural Lab. I look forward to seeing this great idea implemented.

All the best, George

From: Thomas G. Hartsock < tgh@umd.edu > Sent: Thursday, May 14, 2015 6:13 PM
To: Leventhal's Office, Councilmember

Cc: Criss, Jeremy; Charles Schuster; Douglas W. Tregoning; Caroline Taylor

Subject: MAEF Mobile Science Lab funding

Dear George,

I just finished baling a field of hay when I received a call from Caroline Taylor that I should quickly check my email. I did so and when I read that the budget had been approved, including funding for the MAEF Mobile Science Lab, a perfect day for farming got even better!

I am impressed at how masterfully you and your staff handled the process, especially in getting the right people in the room from MCPS. The support of Jeremy Criss, and he and his colleagues' willingness to facilitate the implementation, is also crucial and most appreciated. I am ready and willing to assist in any way I can be useful as we work out the details of implementation.

First thing tomorrow morning I will call the folks at the Maryland Agricultural Education Foundation to inform them of this great news. They have been making contingency plans already to get the Food, Fiber and You lab ready for Montgomery County and it will be nice to give them the actual thumbs up!

As the word spreads, I know that the members of both the Montgomery County Farm Bureau and Montgomery Countryside Alliance will feel the same appreciation that Caroline and I do. Thanks so much for making this happen!

Tom

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