



DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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MEMORANDUM

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TO: Philip M. Andrews, President
Montgomery County Council

FROM: Robert G. Hoyt, Director *Robert G. Hoyt*
Department of Environmental Protection

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Department of Permitting Services

SUBJECT: Transmittal of the Annual Report to the County Council Concerning Implementation of Chapter 19, Article V (Water Quality Review - Special Protection Areas) and Clarksburg Master Plan Stage 4 Development

As specified under Chapter 19, Article V, Section 19-67(d), we are submitting the eleventh annual report on the Special Protection Area (SPA) program. This report includes the results of stream monitoring and best management practices (BMPs) in SPAs through 2007. In addition to satisfying the annual reporting requirement, this 2007 Annual SPA Report provides available information regarding water quality results associated with Newcut Road and Town Center development and other similar developments to assist the County Council in determining how to proceed in the final Stage 4 phase of development (Ten Mile Creek) of the Clarksburg Master Plan. This report presents a comprehensive analysis of all available biological, chemical, and physical data collected to date and assesses the impacts of land use change on water quality. As in years past, suggested changes to the SPA program and recommendations to the County Council are also presented.

Please call Mr. Steven Shofar (240-777-7736) of the Department of Environmental Protection if you have any questions concerning the report. Questions concerning the status of specific SPA developments should be referred to Mr. Rick Brush (240-777-6343) of the Department of Permitting Services.

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