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MEMORANDUM

April 23, 2012

TO: Sandra Youla, Senior Planner/Historic Preservation  
Montgomery County Planning Department

FROM: Greg Ossont, Deputy Director  
Department of General Services

SUBJECT: Planning Board Draft Master Plan  
Upper Patuxent Area Historic Resources

Thank for the opportunity to comment on the Montgomery County Planning Board's Draft Amendment o the Master Plan for Historic Preservation: Upper Patuxent Area Historic Resources. The Executive staff would like to acknowledge the Planning Board's thorough and detailed analysis of the 31 up-County resources.

Please find applicable comments from the Department of Fire and Rescue Services and the Department of Transportation. The coordination of environmental settings and designations with master planned rights of way is a critical component of this evaluation process. Potential conflicts between the future transportation network and historic resources have been identified for the County Council's review and consideration.

Should you have any questions regarding the technical comments, please contact Mr. Bob Simpson, Senior Planning Specialist, Department of Transportation at [bob.simpson@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:bob.simpson@montgomerycountymd.gov)

Montgomery County Department of Transportation  
Comments on  
Upper Patuxent Area Historic Resources – Planning Board Draft  
MNCPPC, February 2011  
April 2012

General Concerns

1. The Environmental Setting of Friendship (10/1) should be reduced to exclude the master planned right-of-way (r/w) of Kemptown Road (a Maryland State Highway - MD 80). Map 3 (page 44) does not show any contributing features within that area. The Environmental Setting description on page 45 should be revised accordingly.
2. The Historic District Boundary of the Clagettsville Historic District (15/8) should be reduced to exclude the master planned r/w of Ridge Road (MD 27), and the existing r/w of Kemptown Road (MD 80) south of property 28235. There are no contributing features within these areas.
3. The Environmental Setting of Sarah Brandenburg Farm (15/17) should be reduced to exclude the existing pavement of Mullinix Mill Road within the parcel. Map 9 (page 68) does not show any contributing features within the area.
4. Since it appears that the entire parcel is necessary for the Environmental Setting for Mt. Lebanon Methodist Protestant Church and Cemetery (15/20), the amendment should propose a modified master planned alignment for Damascus Road (MD 108) to avoid the parcel so there will be no transportation/historic resource conflict in the future.
5. More guidance is needed for Etchison Historic District (15/29) with regard to the obvious conflict between the master planned r/w for Laytonsville Road (MD 108) and three contributing buildings. The amendment should propose a modified master planned alignment for MD 108 to avoid the buildings so there will be no transportation/historic resource conflict in the future.
6. The Environmental Setting of Basil Warfield Farm (15/73) should be reduced to exclude the master planned right-of-way (r/w) of Damascus Road (MD 108). Map 13 (page 78) does not show any contributing features within that area, and only the Tenant House close by. The Environmental Setting description on page 79 should be revised accordingly.
7. The correct address for the Mt. Lebanon School/Site of Mt. Lebanon Methodist Episcopal Church (15/117) needs to be determined, and consistently used. It is shown as 26310 Mullinix Mill Road on pages 39 and 43, but as 26130 Mullinix Mill Road on pages 80, 81, and 99.

Specific Comments

p. 9 – correct name of 12/10 James Lauman Farm in footnote 3.

p. 13 – bold **Parr's Spring (15/1)** on the third line of the second paragraph

- p. 15 – bold **Clagett-Brandenburg Farm (15/16)** on the eighth line of the second complete paragraph
- p. 19 – check the spelling of “Friendshp” on the sixth line of the bottom paragraph; is that a historical spelling (in which case add “[sic]” after it) or a typo?
- p. 20 – bold **Mt. Lebanon Methodist Protestant Church (15/20)** on the seventh line of the top paragraph
- p. 23 – check formatting of the word “requirements” in the top paragraph  
- correct name of Warthan\_Day Farm (15/19) in top paragraph; add the dash to make it consistent with the rest of the plan
- p. 28 – correct the first sentence in the fourth paragraph to state, “One of the . . . just over the county line.”
- p. 29 – correct the first sentence in the fifth paragraph to state, “The Two-Door House, is a two-story . . .” (i.e., delete the comma and replace with the word “is”)
- p. 39 – correct separator line in Table 1 by moving it under the words “Church and Cemetery” for listing #27  
- correct listing #37 by moving the road name and tax i.d. information to the Street Address column  
- check address of listing #38 (see General Concerns 7. above)  
- add a footnote to Table 1 listing sites #14 through #19 and #34 and providing a brief explanation of why they were evaluated by the HPC but not listed on Table 1
- p. 43 – check address of resource #15/117 (see General Concerns 7. above)
- p. 51 – correct the second sentence in the second bullet to state, “Existing visual cues . . . by a central institution of or business (here a church), . . .”  
- do not bold Friendship (10/1) or Becraft Farm (15/6) on this page; per the note at the top of the page they are not part of the Historic District)
- p. 52 – correct the formatting of the word “cousins” in the indented quotation
- p. 53 – do not bold Friendship (10/1) under Cornelius Moxley; it is not within the Historic District  
- where is 28501 Kempton (shown under James A. Moxley m. Hattie Easton)?; no such parcel address is shown on Map 6
- p. 54 – correct the formatting of the word “decorative” in the indented quotation within the People’s Lumber inset box

- p. 56 – delete “Locational Atlas Resource” from the last sentence of the top paragraph  
- bold (28015 Ridge Road) in the fifth sentence of the fourth paragraph  
- bold 28001 Ridge Road (twice) in the bottom paragraph
- p. 57 – bold (28015 Ridge Road) in the first sentence of the top paragraph  
- where is 28105 Ridge Road (mentioned in the second paragraph)?; no such parcel address is shown on Map 6  
- bold 28001 Ridge Road in the first sentence of the second paragraph
- p. 58 – correct 28020 Ridge Road in the first complete sentence of the top (partial) paragraph  
- where is 28418 Kemptown Road (mentioned in the third paragraph) and should it be bold?; no such parcel address is shown on Map 6  
- bold 28015 Ridge Road in the fourth paragraph  
- do not bold 28130 Ridge Road in the bottom paragraph
- p. 59 – do not bold 28230 Kemptown Road next to #5  
- where is 18230 Kemptown Road (mentioned in the second paragraph)?
- p. 68 – a consistent name for the tributary shown on Map 9 is needed; is it “Scott” Branch as shown here and on Map 14 (p. 80) or “Scotts” Branch as shown in the text on p. 81?
- p. 72 – show the master planned r/w for Hipsley Mill Road (Rustic Road “R-23”) with a 70’ minimum r/w width
- p. 80 – check address of this resource (see General Concerns 7. above)  
- a consistent name for the tributary shown on Map 14 is needed; is it “Scott” Branch as shown here and on Map 9 (p. 68) or “Scotts” Branch as shown in the text on p. 81?
- p. 81 - check address of this resource (see General Concerns 7. above)  
- a consistent name for the tributary named in the text is needed; is it “Scott” Branch as shown on Map 9 (p. 68) and on Map 14 (p. 80) or “Scotts” Branch as shown here?
- p. 85 – is the address for 15/3 Rezin Moxley House on Medd Road as shown in Table 5 here or Avenue as shown on p. 88?
- p. 88 - is the address for 15/3 Rezin Moxley House on Medd Avenue or Road?
- p. 95 – correct the name of the resource as Luther W. Moore Farm
- p. 97 - is the address for 15/3 Rezin Moxley House on Medd Ave. or Rd.?
- p. 99 - check address of resource #15/117 (see General Concerns 7. above)
- p. 102 – add separator lines between listings in the Table for resource 15/29 at the bottom of the page



MONTGOMERY COUNTY FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE

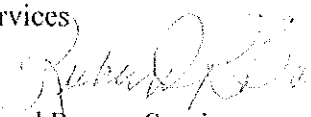
Isiah Leggett  
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Fire Chief

MEMORANDUM

April 6, 2012

TO: Greg Ossont, Deputy Director  
Department of General Services

FROM: Richard R. Bowers, Chief   
Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service

SUBJECT: Planning Board Draft Amendment to the Master Plan for Historic  
Preservation: Upper Patuxent Area Historic Resources

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the document titled, "Planning Board Draft Amendment to the Master Plan for Historic Preservation: Upper Patuxent Area Historic Resources," as well as the February 28, 2012 letter from Planning Board Chair Francoise Carrier to County Executive Isiah Leggett. Based on review of these documents by my staff, I take no exception to the recommendations presented; however, should any of the referenced structures be considered for public use at some future date, applicable life safety codes adopted by Montgomery County and mandated by County Code would apply to safeguard persons visiting these structures.

Should you have questions, please contact Planning Section Manager Scott Gutschick at 240-777-2417.

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