

Announcement of ICC Public Meeting to Discuss Ongoing Environmental Projects

As you may know, the State Highway Administration's (SHA) Intercounty Connector (ICC) project includes a comprehensive package of Environmental Stewardship and Compensatory Mitigation (ES/CM) activities as part of the project. The ES/CM program comprises not only an unprecedented level of mitigation to offset those environmental impacts associated with the ICC, but also includes numerous stewardship projects designed to reverse environmental degradation in the project area caused by development that occurred prior to the construction of the ICC. The ES/CM package contains a wide variety of projects, including stream and fish passage restoration, wetlands creation and enhancement, and Community Stewardship projects such as bicycle/pedestrian trails.

The ICC Project Team is holding a public meeting for the following ES/CM projects.

- RC-2: Rock Creek stream restoration, located at Mill Creek;
- RC-26: Crabbs Branch stormwater management, located at Epsilon Drive;
- RC-131 and 131A: Rock Creek fish passage restoration, located at Beach Drive/Pinehurst;
- REF-8: Rock Creek Stream Valley Park reforestation;
- REF-12: North Branch Stream Valley Park and Agricultural History reforestation.

A public meeting is scheduled from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm on Thursday, March 11, 2010, at Redland Middle School, located at 6505 Muncaster Mill Road in Rockville, Maryland. This meeting will provide interested citizens with details about the proposed projects listed above. There will be no formal presentations at this meeting. Members of the project team will be present to answer any questions.

The SHA hopes that you will be able to attend this meeting to learn more about the proposed environmental projects. If we may be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. John Sales, Environmental Projects Community Liaison, Office of the ICC, toll-free at 866-462-0020 or via email at jsales@iccproject.com.