




CHARLES COUNTY GOVERNMENT  
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**MEMORANDUM**

To: Maryland Department of Planning, Comprehensive Planning Unit  
Maryland Department of Natural Resources/Program Open Space

From: Tim Drummond, Chief of Parks & Grounds   
Charles County Department of Recreation, Parks & Tourism

Subject: Annual Program Report  
Charles County

Date: July 1, 2023

Enclosed please find Charles County's Annual Program Report for FY24. After your review, please contact me directly if you should have any questions (301-932-3472).

Thank You.

Enclosure: As Stated  
TDD/bdd/AnnualReportFY24

**FY24**  
**ANNUAL REPORT - CHARLES COUNTY Introduction**

Each year Charles County Government develops/updates a five-year open space/park acquisition and development plan. This plan is designed to address solutions to citizen demands for outdoor recreational facilities. This five-year plan is basically a park priority list formulated because of direct citizen input, public hearings, and meetings with organized recreation associations.

Charles County's open space priorities focus on improving the County's provision of public parks and recreation amenities and initiatives to preserve lands of high agricultural and natural resource value.

The projects selected in this annual report are consistent with the County's current Land Preservation, Parks, and Recreation Plan (LPPRP). The LPPRP clearly states that the County should continue to utilize, Program Open Space funds for regular improvements to county parks and recreation amenities, and strategic acquisition of land for open spaces. The land acquisitions listed in this report will help the county reach its goal for protecting half of its total land area and the county's continued commitment to conserving local natural resources. The development project listed in this report will help the county develop a new facility that will provide diverse recreation opportunities for county citizens.

Charles County's priority open space plan is compiled by the Department of Recreation, Parks, & Tourism.

Attached is Charles County's Annual Program Report for FY24:

Acquisition:           •     Godwin/Hungerford Property Acquisition

- Padgett Road Property Acquisition

Development:

- Waldorf Park Phase II

# Charles County

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## FY 24 Annual Program

### **ACQUISITION**



## **ACQUISITION - FY 24**

**Charles County Government  
Department of Recreation, Parks & Tourism**

**Project: Godwin/Hungerford Property Acquisition**

The Godwin/Hungerford Property is an excellent candidate for land preservation. Protecting and preserving such land is a goal of the County Commissioners and the Department of Recreation, Parks & Tourism.

Charles County Parks has now been presented the opportunity to acquire this 36.09-acre parcel. This land would provide protection for natural wildlife, ecological resources and reduce future water runoff and pollution to the environmentally sensitive area surrounding and bordering the Indian Head Rail Trail.

Total Acreage: 36.09 Acres  
Total Project Cost: \$175,000

(We are requesting 100% POS funding for this acquisition.)

## **ACQUISITION - FY 24**

**Charles County Government  
Department of Recreation, Parks & Tourism**

### **Project: Padgett Road Property Acquisition**

The Padgett Road Property is an excellent candidate for land preservation. Protecting and preserving such land is a goal of the County Commissioners and the Department of Recreation, Parks & Tourism.

Charles County Parks has now been presented the opportunity to acquire this 62.04-acre parcel. This land would provide protection for natural wildlife, ecological resources and reduce future water runoff and pollution to the environmentally sensitive area surrounding and bordering the Indian Head Rail Trail.

Total Acreage: 62.04 Acres  
Total Project Cost: \$400,000

(We are requesting 100% POS funding for this acquisition.)

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## **FY 24 Annual Program**

### **DEVELOPMENT**





## **DEVELOPMENT- FY 23**

**Charles County Government  
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**Project: Waldorf Park Phase II**

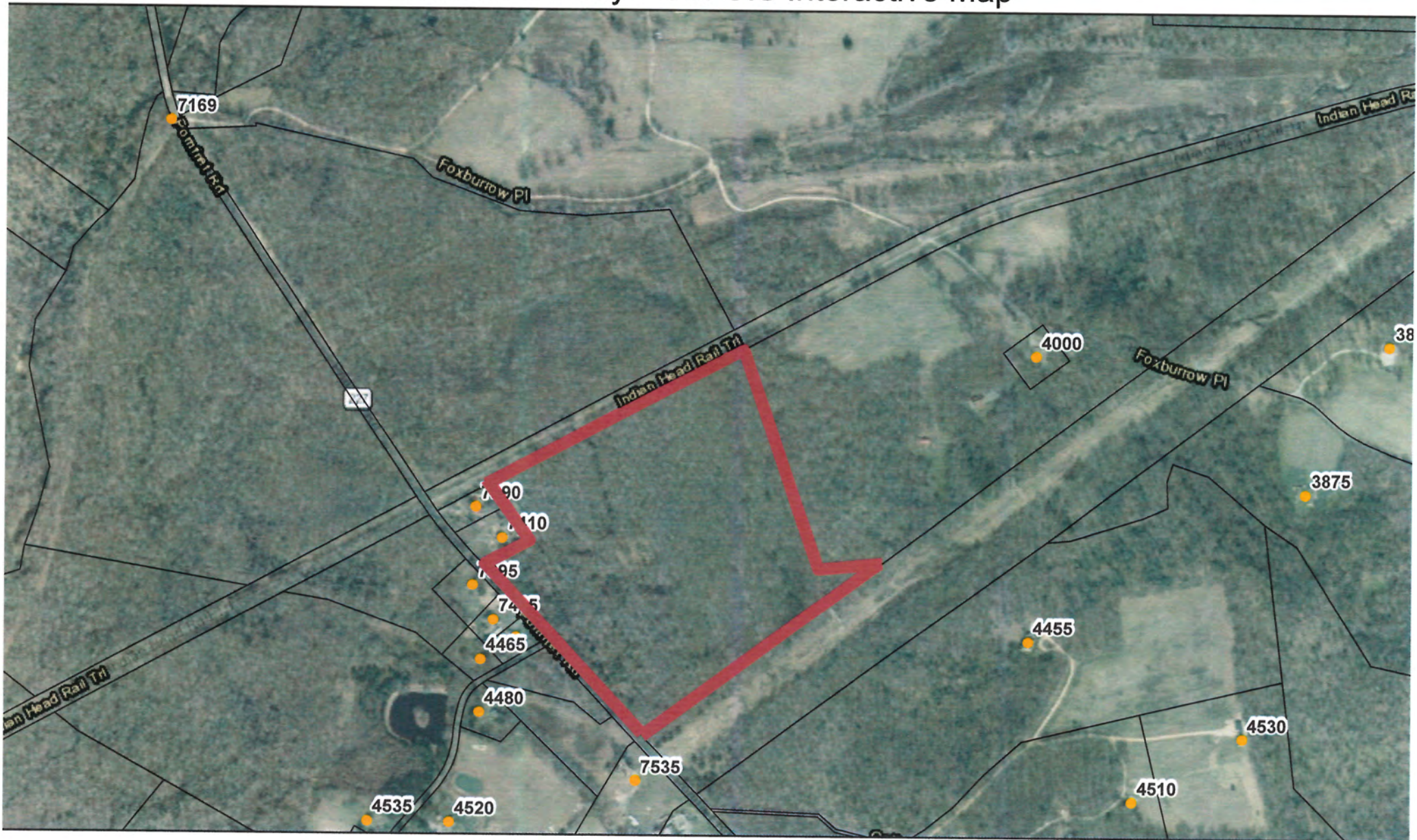
Additional funding requested to cover construction of Waldorf Park Phase II to serve the Waldorf area community.

This project is a key factor in meeting the outdoor recreational needs of county residents in the Waldorf region. Developing this 216-acre county park is a priority to meet active and passive outdoor recreation needs of one of the fastest growing areas in the County. Construction will incorporate basketball courts, Pickleball courts, Playground with ADA accessibility, dog parks, walking/hiking trails, and numerous multi-purpose athletic fields.

**Total Project Cost: \$3,800,000**

(Requesting \$2,850,000 POS funding to match \$950,000 Local Share)

# Charles County PGM GIS Interactive Map



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## GODWIN HUNGERFORD PROPERTY

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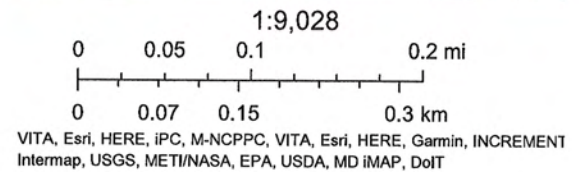
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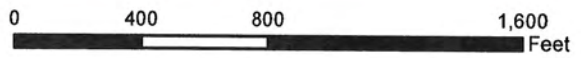


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## PADGETT ROAD PROPERTY





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# WALDORF PARK SITE

AERIAL MAP (2017)  
CHARLES COUNTY, MD