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August Finksburg Plan Update

► Finksburg Corridor Plan: (More Information)

<u>August 29, 2013</u>: Planning department staff will be bringing the Finksburg Corridor Plan back before the Board of County Commissioners for Adoption.

8/8/2013: The Finksburg Plan was discussed at a Board of Commissioners meeting. Philip R. Hager, Director, Department of Land Use, Planning & Development was in attendance. The agenda item stated "This briefing is taking place at the request of the Commissioners and is for informational purposes. This item will be on the <u>August 29, 2013 Board Agenda as an action item</u>. No action is being requested at this time."

7/16/2013: A set of changes were approved by the Planning Commission at their meeting. <u>The land use designation change to commercial from conservation (at the corner of Rt140 and Rt91)</u> that many objected to at the public hearing is still in the current version of the plan.

7/1/2003: A public hearing was held, 6 PM, at the Finksburg Library. This was an opportunity for interested stakeholders to go on record by providing testimony in support or in opposition to specific aspects of the plan. Comments can be provided in person or written. Written comments may be delivered in person, mailed via US Mail, or electronically transmitted via email. Written comments should be forwarded to: Andrea Gerhard, 225 North Center Street, Westminster, MD 21157 or by e-mail to agerhard@ccg.carr.org.

On April 16, 2013, the Planning & Zoning Commission accepted the March 2013 draft of the Finksburg Corridor Plan for 60 day review. This draft includes a controversial land use change for the property at the northeast corner of Md. 140 and Md. 91 (Cedarhurst Area) from Conservation to Commercial. An open house information meeting was held May 20, 2013 at 6 PM at the County Office Building. The plan is an update to the 1981 Finksburg Area and Environs Comprehensive Plan and focuses on traffic flow in the corridor, protecting the area's environmental resources, and eliminating the growth area designation from the area outside the Route 140 corridor.

The Finksburg Corridor Plan can be viewed online at http://ccgovernment.carr.org/ccg/compplan/finksburg/

Copies may also be available for review at the Finksburg library and at the Department of Planning (Room 205).

The Finksburg Corridor Plan has been in the making for over 10 years. There have been numerous changes, starts and stops along the way. The *incredible* journey and timeline of this plan is documented <u>here</u>.

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