

Friends of the
W B & A Trail

**6718 Glenn Dale Rd
Glenn Dale, MD. 20769**

Elizabeth M. Hewlett, Chairman,
Prince George's County Planning Board
14741 Governor Oden Bowie Drive,
Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772.

Dear Ms. Hewlett:

On behalf of the *Friends of the WB&A Trail*, a group of trail users in the Lanham-Bowie area, I strongly urge you to continue with planned improvements to the Folly Branch Trail, as you prepare your budget for FY2012. The Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) for FY-2011 contained two key projects along this trail, both of which are necessary both for recreation and to implement the transportation portion of the sector plan for Glenn Dale-Lanham-Seabrook:

1. In FY2011, M-NCPPC had planned to build a segment of the Folly Branch Trail from the WB&A trail south under MD-450 and connect the WB&A trail directly to the Vista Gardens shopping center. We hope that the project gets underway this year.
2. For FY2014, the CIP calls for an extension of the northern segment of the Folly Branch Trail to connect Glenn Dale with the Seabrook MARC station. This project should also proceed on schedule.

These improvements were originally added to the CIP several years ago at the behest of the Glenn Dale Citizens Association and the testimony of the late Morris Warren of Bowie, the primary instigator of the WB&A trail and founder of this organization. We hope that M-NCPPC will continue to support Morris' vision, both by completing these improvements to the Folly Branch Trail, and by eventually extending the WB&A trail along the entire right of way of the original Washington, Baltimore, and Annapolis Railroad.

Please keep me posted with any updates at jtitus@risingsea.net.

Yours truly,



James G. Titus
Chairman