

May 27, 2026

MDE's intent to seek a Priority Funding Area (PFA) funding exception for  
31638 W Edge Road, Millington in Kent County

**Background:** The Bay Restoration (Septic) Fund (BRF) requires MDE to provide an opportunity for Public Comment and/or Public Hearing in cases where there are On-site Sewage Disposal Systems (OSDS)/septic systems are located outside the State Priority Funding Area (PFA) and where BRF grant funding is being proposed for the public sewer connections. After addressing the public comments, if any, MDE intends to seek a PFA funding exception from the Sustainable Growth Coordinating Committee chaired by the Maryland Department of Planning (MDP).

**Public Comment Period:** Through June 27, 2026. Send e-mail comments to [mde.pfaexception@maryland.gov](mailto:mde.pfaexception@maryland.gov).

**Project:** Sewer connection to the existing system in Kent County for 31638 W Edge Road, Millington (Account ID 1501023527, Address 31638 W Edge Road, Millington, Tax Map 31, Parcel 206). The sewer will ultimately be conveyed to and treated at the Millington wastewater treatment plant.

**Water Quality & Public Health Issues:** The County Health Department determination is summarized below: On March 19, 2026, the KCHD received documentation from a septic contractor stating that the existing Onsite Sewage Disposal System (OSDS) for the property is failing. The inspection report indicates that the distribution box and drainfield lines are root bound and that the septic tank sewage level is above normal operating level. The homeowners report sewage backup into the house and are having to pump the tank on a frequent basis to prevent further backups.

**BRF Funding Eligibility:** Up to \$25,000 per existing home; maximum of \$25,000 or actual prorated sewer collection system cost, whichever is lower.

**Potential New Growth:** No new growth, one connection to existing sewer system.

**Measures Taken to Mitigate New Growth:** No new growth, one connection to existing sewer system.

**Potential Nitrogen Reduction:**

	<u>Approx. Total Nitrogen (TN) Discharged (lb/yr)</u>	<u>Total TN Reduced (lb/yr)</u>
No Action	23	000
BAT Upgrade	11.5	11.5
ENR Connection	2.3	20.7

\*Includes nutrient loading from infill development

**Attachment:** Location Map

