



Public Notices

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT
WATER AND SCIENCE ADMINISTRATION
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BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21230

Notice of Application for State Wetland Licenses, Private Wetland Permits, Nontidal Wetlands and Waterways Permits and/or Water Quality Certification and the Opportunity to Provide Written Comment or Request an Informational Hearing

November 1, 2022

The Water and Science Administration has received the applications listed below. A preliminary review has indicated that the listed projects may be subject to the opportunity for a public hearing once the application is substantially complete. Projects may be significantly altered during the review process. The applications and related information are available for inspection and copying. You may also request written notice of any hearing opportunity by having your name placed on the interested persons list for each project in which you are interested. To inspect the file or to have your name placed on the interested persons list, contact the assigned division at the telephone number indicated below no later than December 1, 2022, unless otherwise noted in the Public Notice.

Anne Arundel County

202261142/22-WL-0268: EVERGREEN MARINE CORP (TAIWAN) LTD, at 8F, No. 163, Sec. 1, Hsin-Nan Road, Luchu Hsiang, Taoyuan Hsien, Taiwan R.O.C. has applied to modify an emergency license to include the final dredge area that included mechanically dredging an area of 170,056 square feet around the stern of the vessel, an area of 132,159 square feet around the starboard side of the vessel, and 99,205 square feet around the port of the vessel resulting in a total of 401,420 square feet to a maximum depth of 47.1 feet at mean low water; and to deposit approximately 213,872 cubic yards of dredged material in the upland placement cell at the Poplar Island Ecosystem Restoration Project. The purpose of this project was to free and refloat the vessel known as the M/V Ever Forward. This project received approval in the Emergency Wetlands License 22-WL-0268EX and associated modifications. The project was located within the tidal waters of Chesapeake Bay adjacent to the Craighill Channel near Downs Park, Pasadena, Anne Arundel County, Maryland, 21122. Mitigation will be required for 624,485 square feet of impacts to a natural oyster bar and open water habitat due to dredging and grounding of the vessel. The mitigation project will consist of 41 acres of oyster habitat enhancement / planting for both public and sanctuary oyster bars of which approximately 29 acres of oyster habitat enhancement / planting will be to public oyster bars in the Anne Arundel County Main Bay and the South River areas, and approximately 12 acres to oyster sanctuary bars in Anne Arundel County, or to nearby counties if deemed appropriate by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources. Applicant is responsible for funding the mitigation project and the implementation will be administered by the Maryland Department of Natural Resource's Shellfish Division. Supporting documentation can be found at

<https://mde.maryland.gov/programs/water/WetlandsandWaterways/Pages/EverFoward.aspx>. For more information, please contact Heather Hepburn at heather.hepburn1@maryland.gov or at 410-537-3789.