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Beaverdam Creek Watershed Watch Group Member

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Dianne Spendiff
Regulatory and Customer Service Division Chief
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Maryland Department of the Environment
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Dear Ms. Spendiff,

If allowed, the Maglev development will cause significant deterioration to our watershed, creek, streams and wetlands.


Beaverdam Creek Watershed Watch Group has been in existence as a Greenbelt based grassroots environmental group for over 17 years. We have done clean ups, fundraisers, water quality testing and nature awareness training. Working with Prince George's County, we adopted roads for clean-up contiguous to the creek. 12 years ago, along with COG (Council of Governments) naturalists, we captured and released Alewife Herring from the Anacostia to imprint in the source of the creek - there are now many of these fish in the creek.

Members of our committee are naturalists, scientists and all are volunteers dedicated to preserving and improving our local waterways and watershed.

We are very proud that our nearby Beaverdam Creek supports Bald Eagles, River Otter, Beaver, healthy fish and a wide variety of macroinvertebrates. It is one of the cleanest tributaries of the Anacostia River.

For 17 years we've done what we can in the field to preserve and improve the watershed. Please help us.

This committee and many local residents urge you to deny permission for this unneeded and destructive Maglev development to harm our environment.

Hopefully Yours, 
Frank Gervasi