## Queen Anne's County Land Use Changes & Development Capacity

COOPERATIVE FORECASTING GROUP MEETING WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2024

#### Historic Growth Projections

Looked at Existing Zoning Reviewed Development Potential of Vacant Land Type of Housing – Predominately Single-Family Dwellings Lot Size & Density Permitted Consider the Potential for Infill Development Reviewed Comprehensive Plans for Towns – Annexation Areas

Project Buildout Over Time

# Changes in County Land Use & Growth Management

Maryland Passes Septic Bill

- Changes Rural Growth Strategies
- Rural Density Capped Based on Septic Bill and Not Land Areas

New Comprehensive Plan Drafted 2019 – 2021

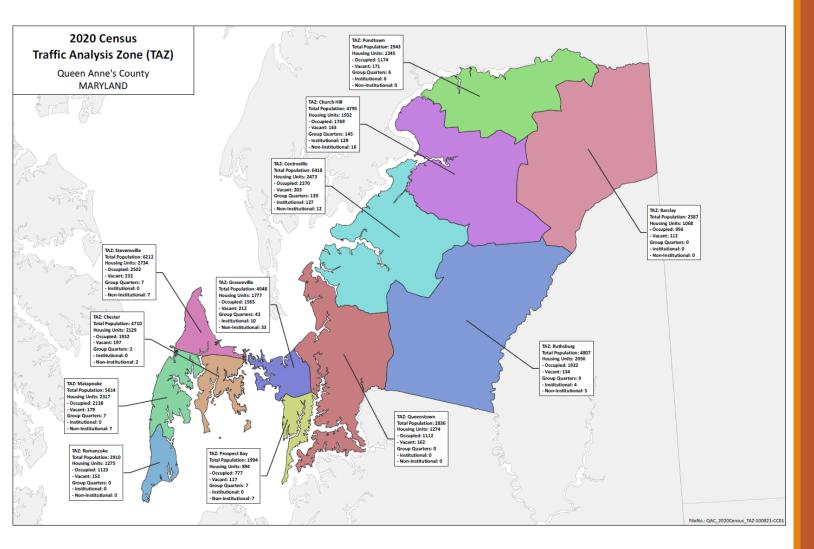
Significant Areas of Protected Farmland

Acknowledges County Limitations of Sewer Capacity

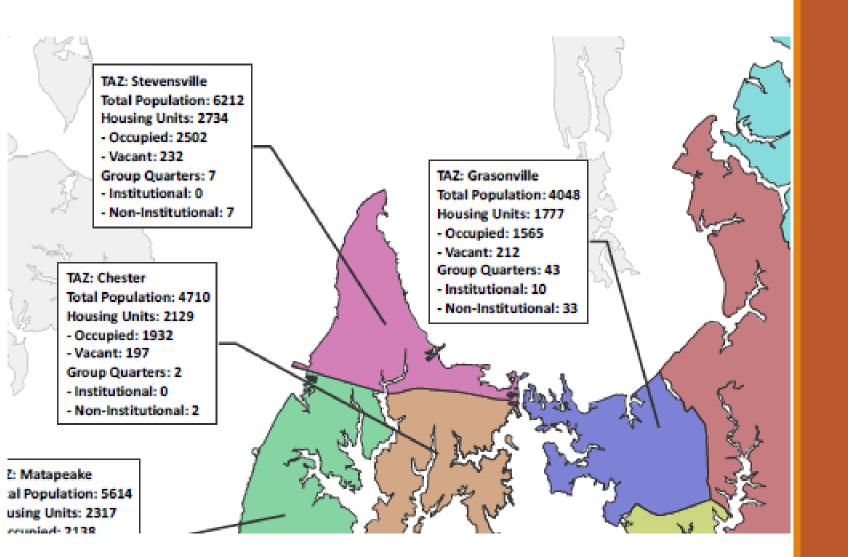
- One Sewer Treatment Plant 3 MGD Capacity
- County Has Allocated Available Capacity
- Cap on Pollutant Discharge in the MDE Permit
- Limited Ability to Expand the Sewer Treatment Capacity 10%
- No Known path to Expand Sewer Treatment Plant
- Small Towns with limited sewer capacity & Growth Potential

#### Incorporated Town Population – 2020 Census

Barclay	183	No Public Water or Sewer
Centreville	4,727	Public Water and Sewer
Church Hill	808	Public Sewer & Limited Public Water
Millington	549	Limited Public Utilities
Queen Anne	192	No Public Water & Sewer
Queenstown	705	Public Water & Sewer
Sudlersville	507	Public Water & Sewer
Templeville	113	No Public Water & Sewer



#### Map Out 2020 Census Data by TAZ = Census Tract



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#### Projections Based on Proposed Development

2020 Census Used as New Baseline for Households & Population by TAZ/Census Tract

Listed Approved Projects Under Construction by TAZ

- Unit Count of Remaining Homes
- Projected Year of Construction of Remaining Homes
  - 2020-2025
  - 2025-2030
  - 2030-2035

Listed Approved & Unbuilt Projects By TAZ

- Unit Count Household Type and Number
- Projected Year of Construction

Listed Pending Projects in the Approval Process with Sewer Allocation

- Unit Count Household Type and Number
- Projected Year of Construction

#### Projections Based on Sewer Capacity

Sewer Allocation Policy for Remaining Capacity – 300,000 GPD

Sewer Reservation for Areas of Failing Septic Systems

- 125,000 gpd
- Convert to Households in TAZ
- Project Buildout

Sewer Distribution for Commercial & Institutional = 75,000 gpd

Sewer Distribution for Residential Infill Development = 100,000 gpd

Estimate Potential Development Incorporated Towns

#### **Population Projections**

Buildout of Households by Year by TAZ

Multiply Households by Average Household Population by TAZ

Resulting Population increase by TAZ by Years

Consider Group Quarters by Using

- Local Knowledge of Facilities
- Zoning
- Sewer

Review & Adjust Every Few Years

### Questions?

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