PlanMaryland

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Briefing

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Why A State Development Plan?







Planning – Land Use Authority in Maryland







What PlanMaryland does

- Informs choices for the future
- Provides a smart growth strategy for Maryland that protects our Bays and keeps our communities vibrant
- Enhances long-term economic development and job creation
- Leads to more efficient use of tax dollars for infrastructure, other public services, and programs
- Provides a structure to coordinate State agencies with local governments
- Helps to implement the 12 Planning Visions





PlanMaryland can save money

Public Infrastructure Costs: Current Trend vs. Smart Growth by 2030

	Current Policy	Smart Growth	% Savings with
	Scenario	Scenario	Smart Growth
Roads Miles of Road New Construction Costs Maintenance/Repair Costs	12,349	7,896	36%
	\$103 billion	\$74 billion	28%
	\$1,063 million	\$680 million	36%
Water/Sewer Total Costs	\$2.17 billion	\$2.11 billion	3%
Schools Construction Costs	\$3.54 billion	\$3.19 billion	10%

Potential to:

Source: Maryland Department of Planning

- Save \$29 billion in new road construction costs
- Save \$383 million in road maintenance costs
- Save \$406 million in water/sewer and school construction costs





What PlanMaryland will NOT do:

Be a substitute for local comprehensive plans

Be a top-down approach that forces compliance

Be a silver bullet to solve all problems

Be a "one size fits all" approach to state planning

Be a mandate to spend more money



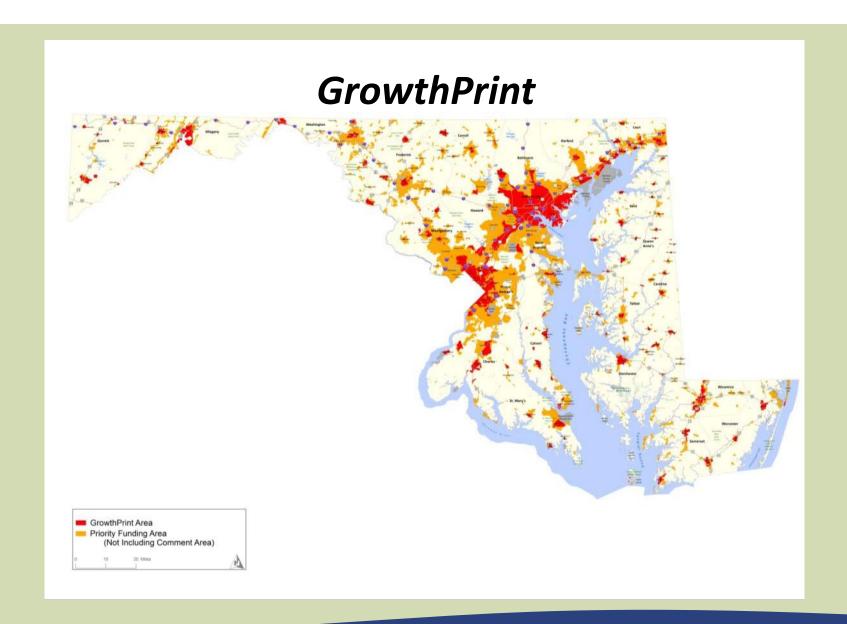


Land Use Trends – 2010 Update

- Rate of development outpaced population growth between 1973 and 2010 - developed lands increased by 154% while the population grew by 39%.
- Large-lot development dominates the landscape
 more than 50% of developed land holds 15% of State's housing units.
- More than 1 million acres of agriculture and forest lands lost since 1973.

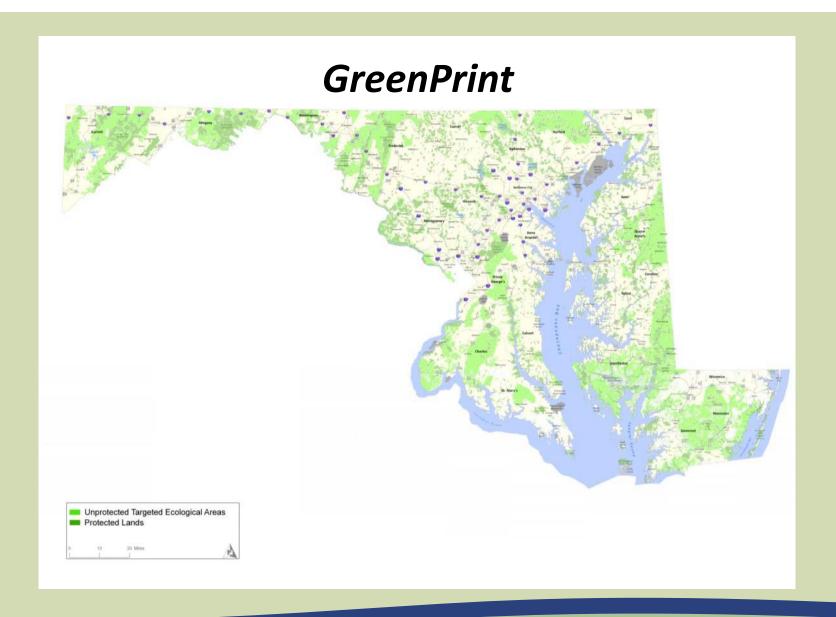






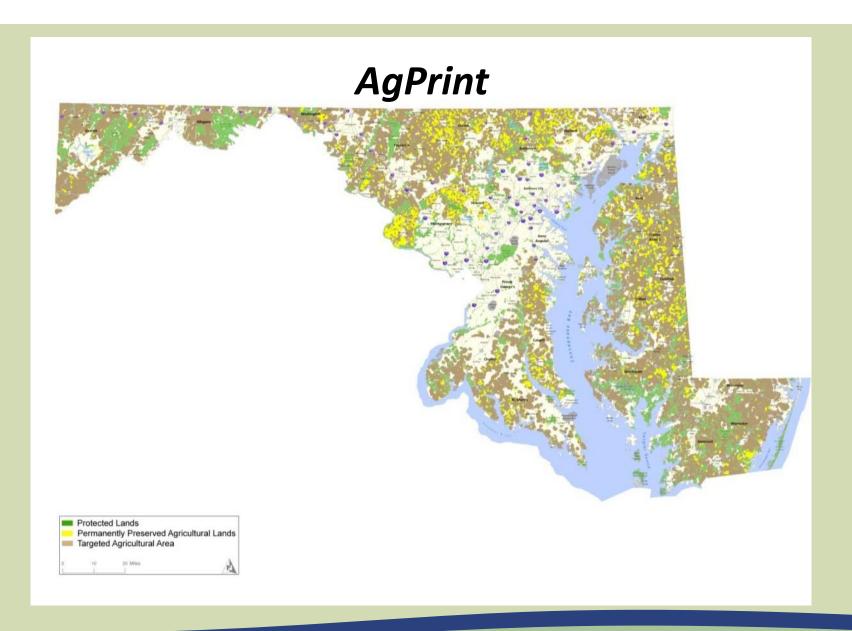






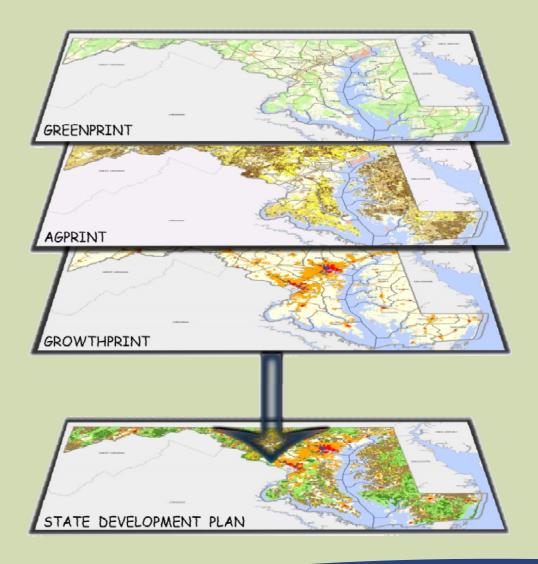
















Key points about the Plan

- Policy & process plan
- Staged process
- Ongoing stakeholder involvement







PlanMaryland Framework

Process to establish clearly defined targeted geographies – Designated Places and Special Areas

Process to guide state agencies – Implementation Strategies

Align/ focus State capital and noncapital plans, programs, and procedures

Align state and local places with local plans and implementation mechanisms







How PlanMaryland works

Improve coordination and required collaboration:

Among State agencies; and

Between State and Locals



Collaborative Process to:

Formulate criteria for Designated Places and Special Areas

Identify areas for growth and preservation and target assistance

Help implement local comprehensive plans







PlanMaryland Benchmarks

Growth

 Focus 90% of new dwelling units in PFAs between 2010 – 2030.

Protect

 Save 300,000 acres from being convert to development between 2010 - 2030

Sustainable Communities

- Double transit ridership by 2020
- Reduce Maryland's Greenhouse Gas Emissions by 25% by 2020.





Public Involvement









Completion Process - How PlanMaryland will be completed and updated

- Completion of the 120 day comment period on the April 2011 Draft Plan ended on September 1, 2011
- Revised Draft PlanMaryland issued on September 9, 2011
- Additional 60 day comment period on September Revised Draft, through November 9, 2011
- Plan to be provided by the Secretary of Planning to the Governor
- Plan will be updated as needed





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