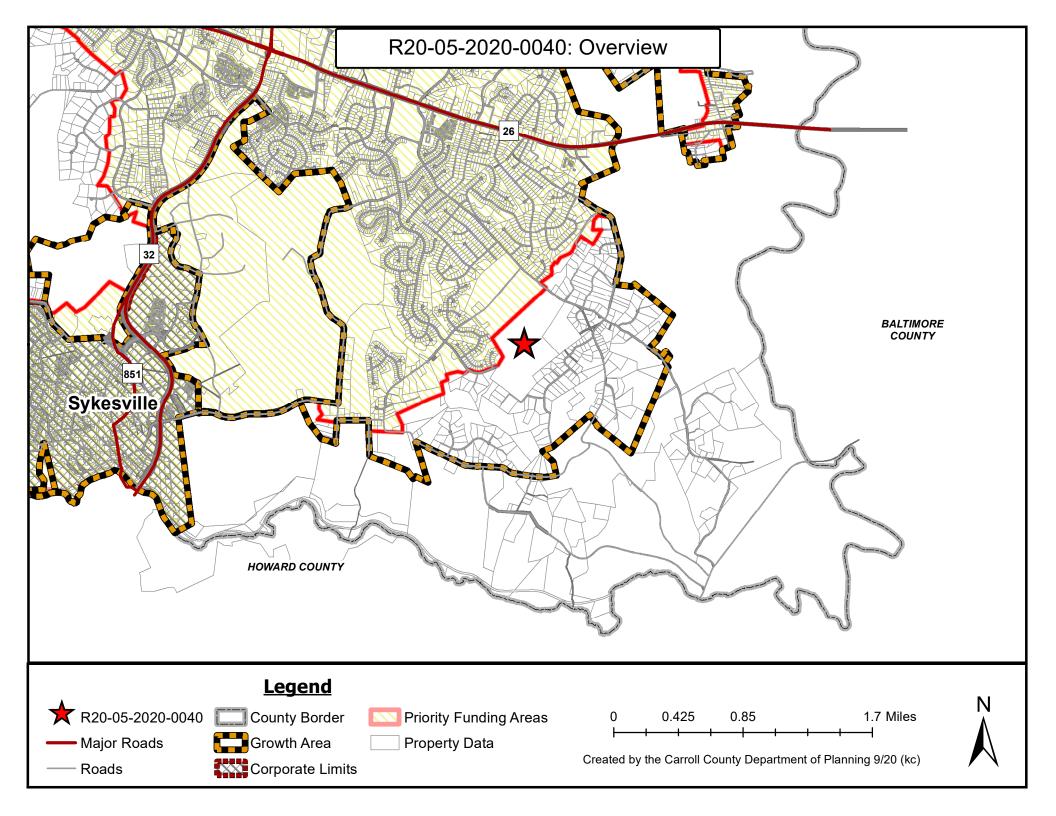
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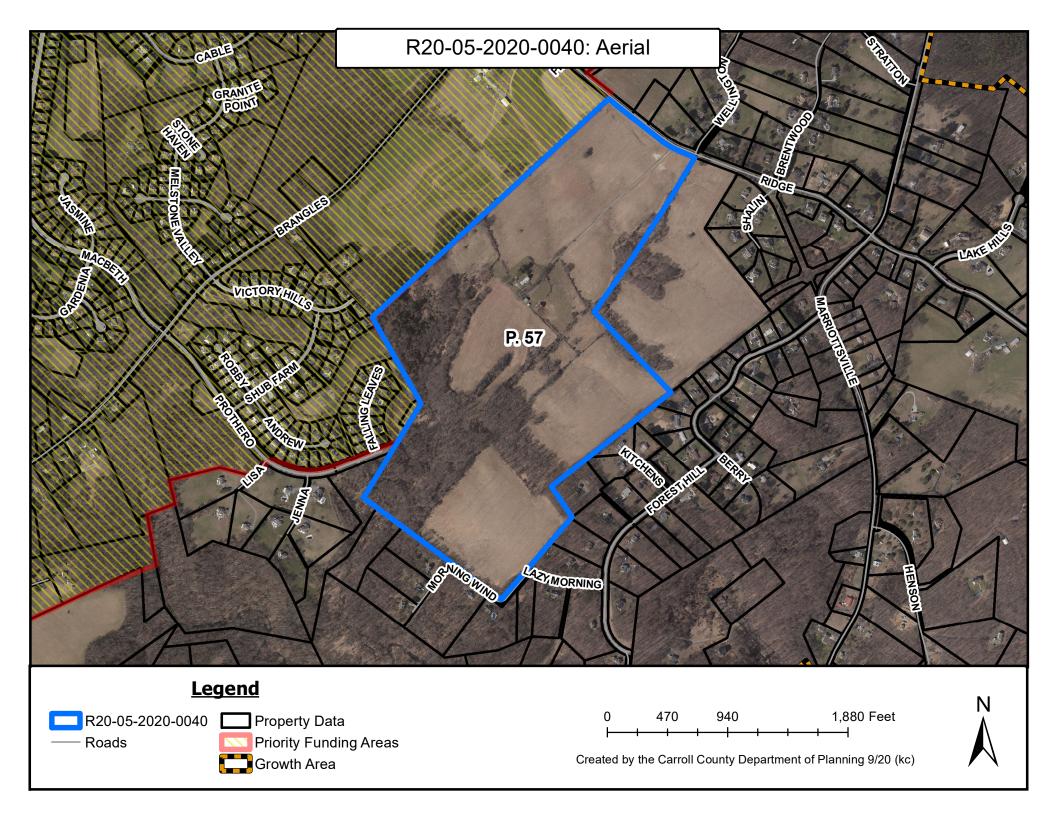
RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS

R20-05-2020-0040

Revised 12/03/2020







Carroll County Department of Planning Comprehensive Zoning Assessment Report

1. Request

Request #: **R20-05-2020-0040**

Applicant Name: Zabel Family

Property Address: 7020 Ridge Road, Marriottsville, MD 21104

Current Zoning: R-40,000/Cons.

Requested Zoning: R-20,000/Cons.

2. Description of Property

Property Address: 7020 Ridge Road, Marriottsville, MD 21104

Commissioner District: 05	Account ID: 07-05-028337
Parcel: 57	Map: 79
Total Acreage of Parcel: 117.73 acres	Area to be Rezoned: 117.73 acres
Current Use (SDAT): Residential	Improved or Unimproved: Improved
Current Zoning: R-40,000 (101ac.)/Conservation (17ac.)
Producted Zoning: P 20 000 (10700)/Conservatio	\mathbf{n} (11ac)

Requested Zoning: R-20,000 (107ac.)/Conservation (11ac.)

Existing Land Uses:	Improved with one residential dwelling unit with access from Ridge Road.
Land Use Plan Designation: ¹	Resource Conservation and Residential-Medium as designated in the 2018 Freedom Community Comprehensive Plan (FCCP).
	Residential-Medium Density "Areas within the Designated Growth Areas where residential development is the primary land use. Development densities are generally two dwelling units per acre, and single-family detached homes are the use. In cases where clustering is approved, yields shall remain the same. Water and sewer service should be planned to these areas. 55+ Age restricted and retirement communities are permitted providing they do not exceed the height restrictions of the zoning district, and do not exceed a total density of 3.5 units per acre. Planned Unit Developments (PUD) are prohibited."

3. Land Use and Zoning Considerations

¹ 2018 Freedom Community Comprehensive Plan

Existing Zoning and Land Use in Adjacent Area:

	Zoning	Land Use
North	R-40,000	Residential
South	Conservation	Residential
East	R-40,000	Agriculture, Residential
West	R-20,000	Residential

Zoning History Summary

The original zoning on this property was "R-20,000" (and likely a small portion of "C" Conservation towards the southernmost portion of the parcel) in 1965 and remained as such until the Adoption and subsequent implementation of the Freedom Mini Plan in 1977, changing the zoning to "R-40,000" and "C" Conservation.

4. Consistency with Master and Functional Plans:

A. Applicable Master Plan Land Use (MGA, Rural Village Designation, Etc.)

The requested "R-20,000" Residential zoning is consistent with the future land use designation of Residential-Medium Density in the 2018 FCCP. The property is within the Freedom Designated Growth Area (DGA).

B. Applicable Master Plan Goals and Objectives

This request is consistent with **Goal 1** of the 2018 FCCP: "Pursue policies that facilitate the implementation of the plan vision, including development in appropriate areas within density limits that respect the overall Vision of the community, where water, sewer, and other infrastructure are projected to be available."

This request is consistent with **Goal 2** of the 2018 FCCP: "Allow appropriately timed and scaled development which supports, enhances, respects, and reinforces the identity and character of the Freedom CPA."

This request is consistent with **Goal 3** of the 2018 FCCP: "Approve housing types and densities as permitted under existing land use definitions and zoning. Any increases of residential densities and property types should be limited and should respect the fabric of existing communities."

Also consistent with the following **Recommendations** from the 2018 FCCP: "...Freedom should remain a place that will accommodate larger homesites...Facilitate residential infill development consistent with the character of adjacent housing in Freedom's existing established neighborhoods, recognizing the value that many citizens place on larger lot development." & "Ensure approved commercial and residential development does not outpace the county's financial ability to provide water and sewer capacity."

C. Water Service Area and Service lines in proximity

Priority Service Area (W-3), lines in proximity.

D. Sewer Service Area Service lines in proximity

Priority Service Area (S-3), lines in proximity.

E. Ag Preservation and Applicable Preservation Area

There is one 23-acre agricultural easement in the area. This property is not located in a preservation area.

5. Environmental Constraints

There is a stream that cuts through the property. Forest cover and steep slopes are minimal and sporadic. See the below map.

6. Historic Resources Identified

There are no historic sites identified on the property, one historic site in proximity. See the below map.

7. Public Safety Assessment

Fire (Sykesville) and EMS (Southern) districts are both adequate.

8. Transportation Assessment

Planned Major Street Prothero Road will provide an interconnected roadway network with existing developments to the west.

MDOT SHA has no comments on the proposed rezoning. MDOT SHA will provide their comments at the time of site plan review.

9. School Assessment

All adequate. Please find the comments from Carroll County Public Schools following the School Assessment.

10. Assessment Summary

This request is consistent with the 2018 FCCP goals and recommendations. The future land use of Residential-Medium Density as expressed in the plan. Its situation within the Freedom DGA, and the designation of priority water and sewer make this site and ideal candidate for R-20,000 zoning. The requested residential zoning is consistent with the surrounding zoning, there are large areas of R-20,000 zoning to the west and north of the request, and the overall fabric of the community. Planned Major Street Prothero Road will provide an interconnected roadway network with existing developments to the west.

Environmental constraints will be addressed at time of site plan review.

11. Recommendations

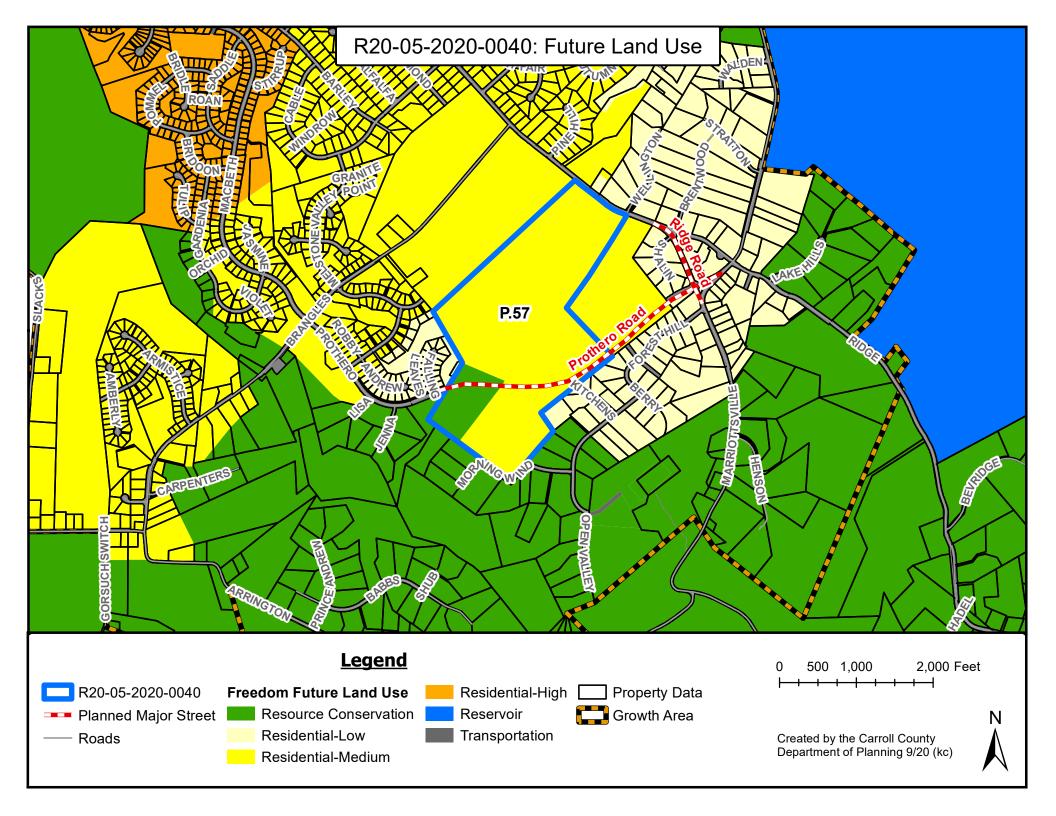
Department of Planning Recommendation:

Favorable

Planning Commission Recommendation:

Favorable

12. Appendixes: See attachments for individual assessments.



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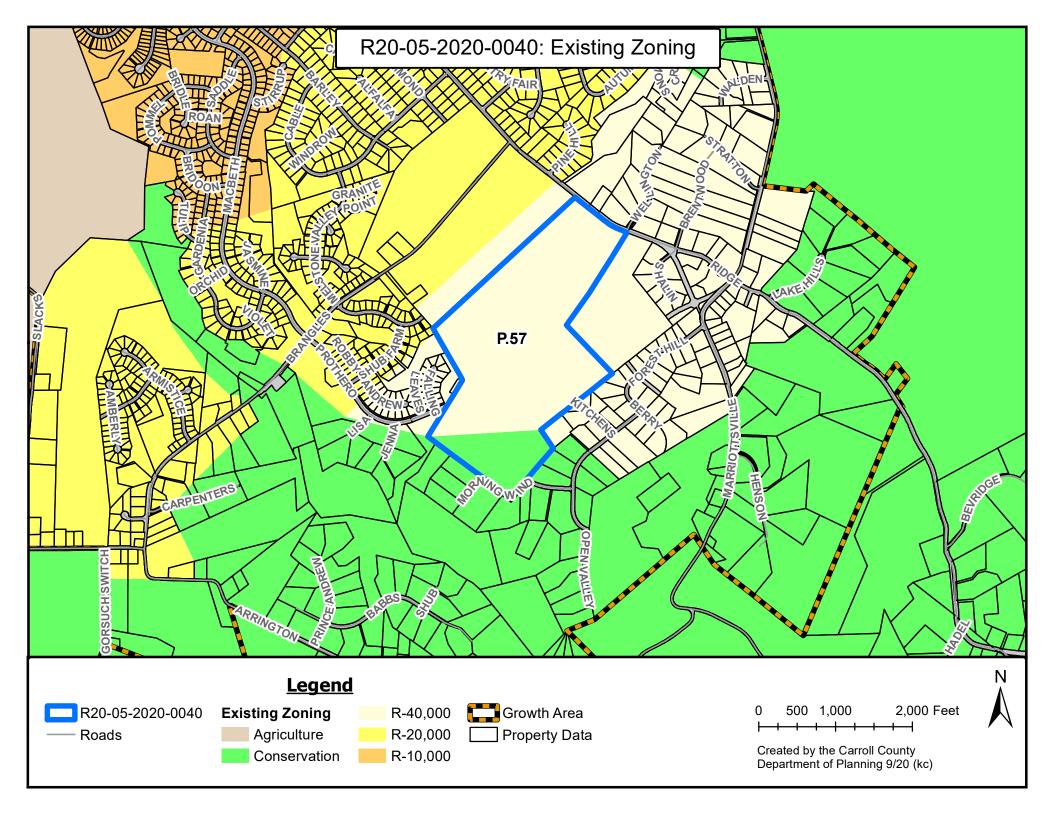
Previous Zoning Change Requests: n/a

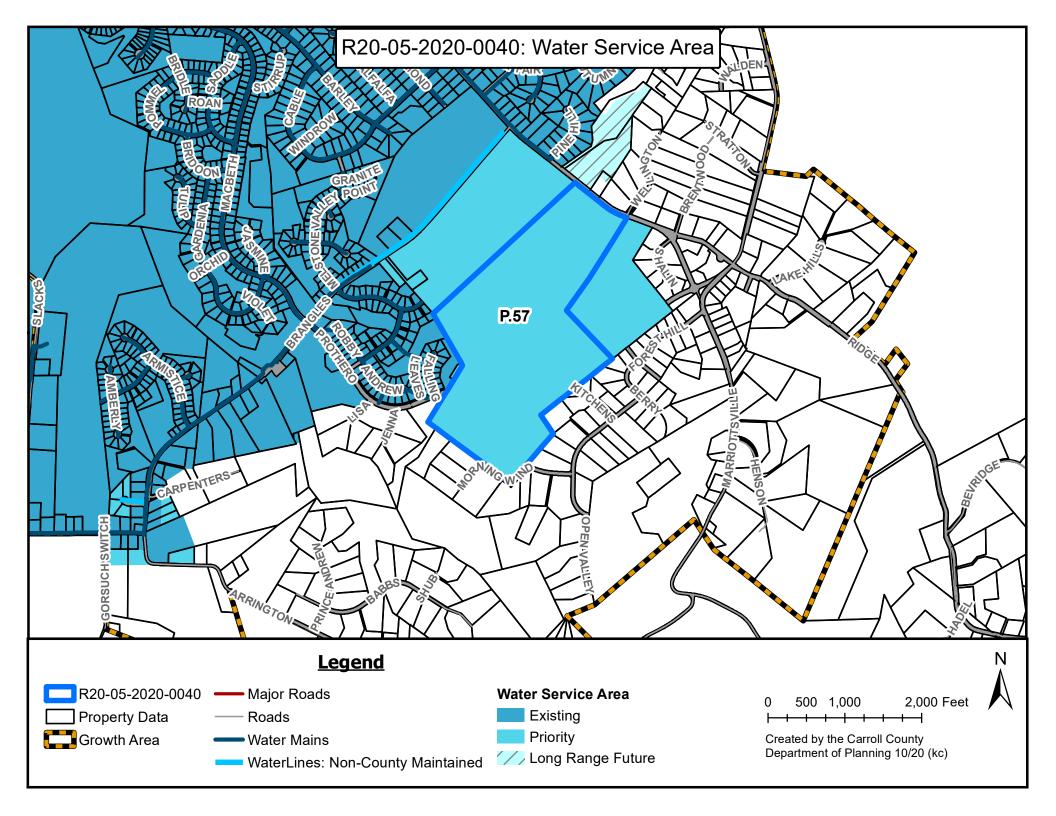
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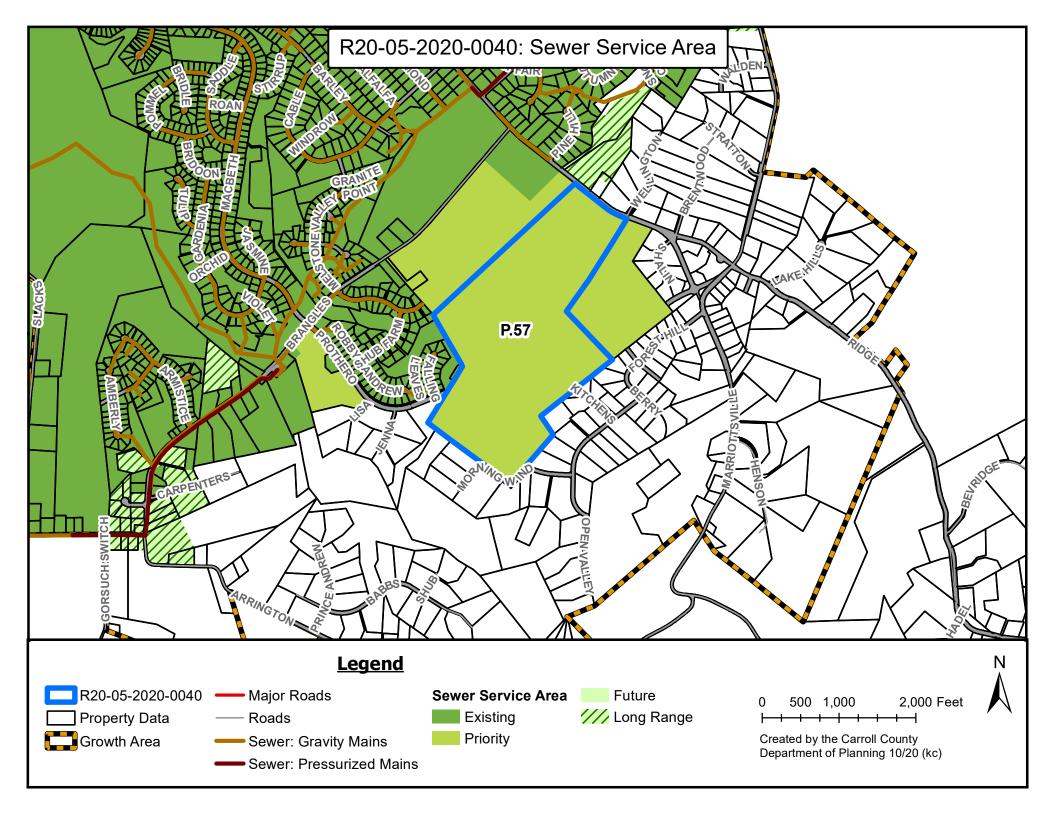
Zoning Violations: n/a

Comments:

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Checklist of Environmental Issues

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Watershed: 111 acres in S Branch Patapsco, 6 acres in Liberty Reservoir

Yes	<u>No</u>	
	\boxtimes	Water Resources Protection Easement
\boxtimes		100-Year Floodplain on the Property
\boxtimes		Streams
	\boxtimes	Wetlands
\boxtimes		Steep Slopes (>25%)
\boxtimes		Forest Cover (<25% □ 25-50% ⊠ 51-75% □ >75% □ of total parcel)
	\boxtimes	Tier II Catchment Area (if yes, Name):

Comments:

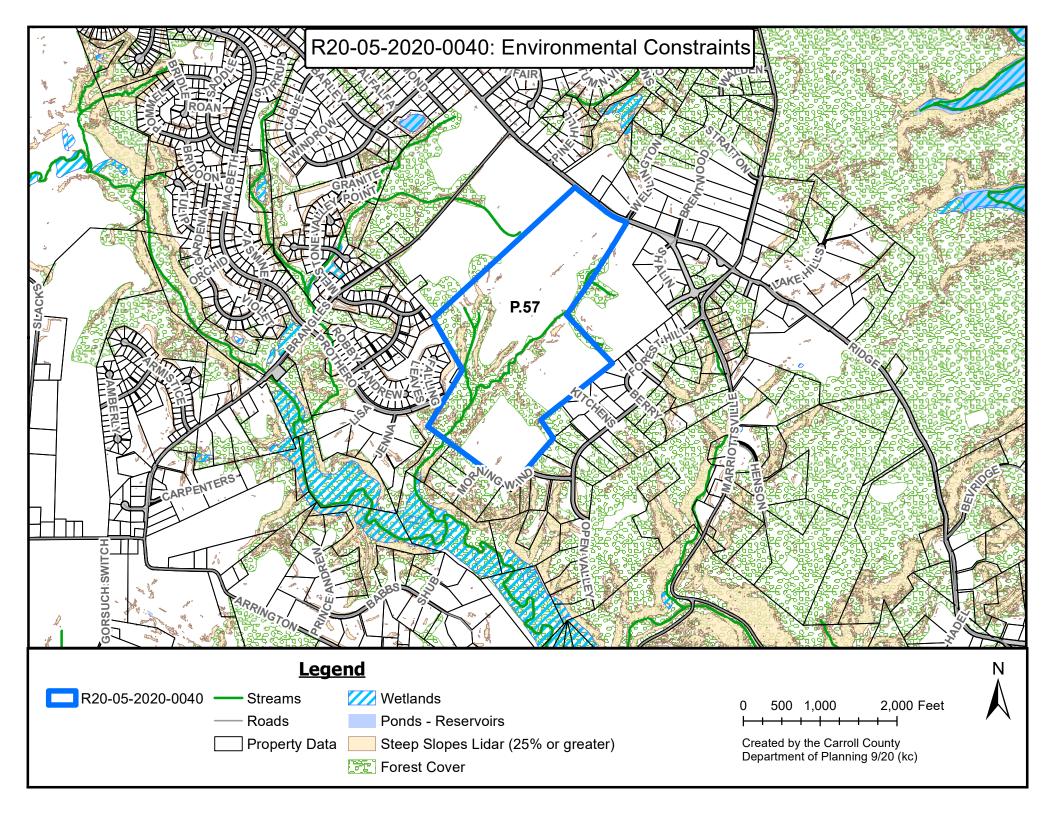
There is a stream that cuts across the property.

There is a floodplain in the center of the property.

Sporadic slopes throughout property but minimal.

Dominant forest cover in bottom left corner of property adjacent to Falling Leaves.

See attached comments from the Bureau of Resource Management.



M E M O R A N D U M

Bureau of Resource Management

Christopher Heyn, Bureau Chief Department of Land and Resource Management 410-386-2712

DATE:	October 29, 2020
MEMO TO:	Clare Stewart Comprehensive Planner
FROM:	Christopher Heyn, Bureau Chief Bureau of Resource Management
RE:	Rezoning Parcel 7020 Ridge Road, Marriottsville

The Bureau of Resource Management is responsible for ensuring compliance of environmental codes related to stormwater management, forest conservation, landscaping, floodplain management, water resources management, and grading and sediment control. An informal review has been performed of the property located at 7020 Ridge Road in Marriottsville to determine if there are a significant number of environmental factors that would severely limit or prevent development and thereby influence the rezoning the parcel from R-40,000 to R-20,000.

Codes related to stormwater management, landscaping, and grading and sediment control may limit the scope of development on a site to protect the environment, but they do not directly prevent development actions. If development of a site can meet all applicable regulations, the development actions may proceed.

The remaining codes, forest conservation, floodplain management, and water resources management, relate to the preservation of environmental features and can prohibit development activities.

Forest conservation code defines requirements for the preservation, reforestation, and afforestation of areas to meet state forest conservation law. The subject parcel includes existing forested areas as well as a stream that bisects the property. Preservation and afforestation of the riparian buffer will be a priority for any development activities. There are no existing forest conservation easements on the property. A forest conservation plan will be required for any development activity, independent of the type of development. Therefore, forest conservation code will not be impacted by the change of zoning from R-40,000 to R-20,000.

Flood plain management relates to the management of land within the 100-year floodplain of streams to protect the general welfare of the public. The property is bisected by a stream that has a defined FEMA floodplain. Generally, development is prohibited within the 100-year floodplain. Any proposed roadway crossings of the stream and FEMA floodplain will require review and approval by the County floodplain manager. Changes to the floodplain will require

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approval by FEMA. These reviews and approvals are independent of the type of development and therefore will not be affected by the proposed change in zoning.

Water resources management relates to the preservation of the ground and surface water resources of the County. The establishment of easements restricting development activities in the proximity to streams is based on the definition of stream as a water course that contains intermittent or perennial base flow of ground water origin. The stream that bisects the property will require a variable width stream buffer, which will restrict activities within its limits. This requirement is independent of the type of development and therefore will not be affected by the proposed change in zoning.

A portion of the site is located in a surface water protection area. This designation would place restrictions on commercial and industrial development, but would not affect residential development.

In summary, the primary environmental feature on the subject property is a stream with a defined FEMA floodplain. Development restrictions in the proximity of the stream would be required regardless of the type of development proposed. Therefore, a change from R-40,000 to R-20,000 would not be restricted by County environmental codes. Any proposed development will be subject to all applicable local, state, and federal regulations.

Historic Preservation Checklist

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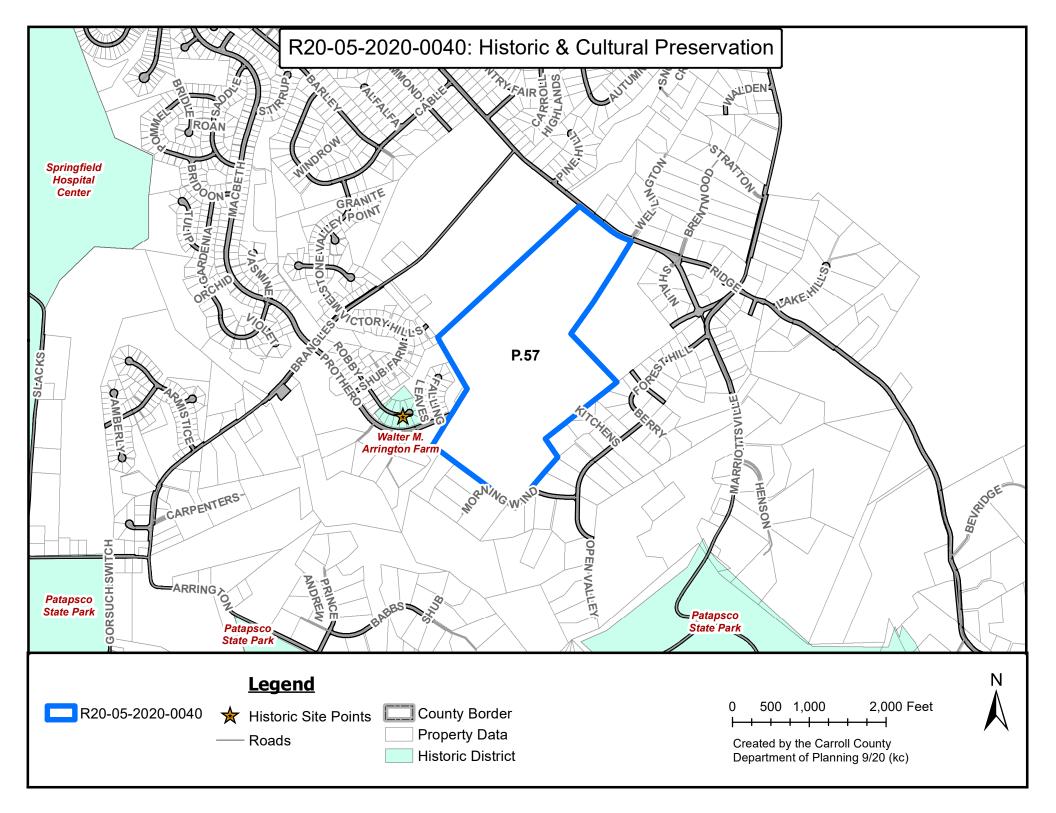
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Comments:

There is no historic site on this property. Historic Site, Walter M. Arrington Farm in proximity.



Public Safety Assessment

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Fire District = Sykesville L & F = 4.43% = AdequateNo Response = .40% Response Time = 6 min 49 sec = Adequate

EMS District = Southern L & F = 1.23% = Adequate No response = .04% Response Time = 5 min 59 sec = Adequate

Adequacy Rates for Fire and EMS:

	Inadequate	Approaching	Adequate
		Inadequate	
Late and No Response	Equals or exceeds	Equals or exceeds	Less than 15%
	15%	15%	
Total No Response	Equals or exceeds	Equals or exceeds 4%	Equals or exceeds 4%
	4% over 24 months	over 24 months	over 24 months
Response Time	Exceeds 10 minutes	Between 8-10	8 minutes or less
		minutes	

Transportation Checklist

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Frontage Road: Ridge Road

Most Recent ADT of Frontage Road: 5,695

LOS at the Nearest Intersection of Frontage Road: Intersection of MD 26/Ridge Road, LOS B for AM and C for PM Peak.

Functional Classification of Frontage Road: Urban Major Collector

Capital Improvements of Adjacent Road(s): n/a

Planned Major Streets on-site or in proximity: **Prothero Road, from Falling Leave Court to Marriottsville Road No.2, and Ridge Road to be relocated through section 2 of Stratton Woods.**

Sidewalk \Box Yes \boxtimes No Sidewalk will be addressed during the development review process.

Trails 🗆 Yes 🛛 No

Trail Blazer Route or Stop \Box Yes \boxtimes No

Comments:

The site can be accessed from the west via Prothero Road and from the south via Lazy Morning Way.

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School Assessment

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School District	Current Utilization Rate	Adequacy
Carrolltowne Elementary	98%	Adequate
Oklahoma Road Middle	87.4%	Adequate
Liberty High	91.7%	Adequate

Adequacy Rates for Projected Enrollment based on the 2020-2021 Enrollment Projections

School	Inadequate	Approaching Inadequate	Adequate
Elementary	<= 120% SRC	110-119% SRC	<110% SRC
Middle	<= 120% FC	110-119% FC	<110% FCC
High	<= 120% SRC	110-119% SRC	<110% SRC

*utilization rates taken from Enrollment Actual of 2019



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Building the Future

Steven Lockard, Ph.D. Superintendent

October 20, 2020

Hannah Weber Carroll County Department of Planning 225 North Center Street Westminster, MD 21157

RE: Comprehensive Rezoning, Residential By-Requests

Dear Ms. Weber,

After reviewing the rezoning requests included in your September 29, 2020 memo and the Carroll County Public Schools 2020 to 2029 Enrollment Projections, it is possible that the proposed rezoning's could add to the projected overcrowding in the southeast area of the county.

Please see the attached chart showing the current, projected 5-year, and projected 10-year utilization rates for the schools which would serve the three properties.

School District	2019 Utilization	APFO Status	2024 Utilization	APFO Status	2029 Utilization	APFO Status
				Approaching		Approaching
Carrolltowne ES	98.0%	Adequate	115.1%	Inadequate	116.0%	Inadequate
Oklahoma Road MS	87.4%	Adequate	108.9%	Adequate	120.9%	Inadequate
Liberty HS	91.7%	Adequate	85.1%	Adequate	107.3%	Adequate

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Liberty HS	91.7%	Adequate	85.1%	Adequate	107.3%	Adequate

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School District	2019 Utilization	APFO Status	2024 Utilization	APFO Status	2029 Utilization	APFO Status
Freedom ES	114.7%	Approaching Inadequate	132.9%	Inadequate	132.9%	Inadequate
Oklahoma Road MS	87.4%	Adequate	108.9%	Adequate	120.9%	Inadequate
Liberty HS	91.7%	Adequate	85.1%	Adequate	107.3%	Adequate

Based on the current overcrowding that already exists at Freedom Elementary, the Board of Education has appointed a Freedom Area Redistricting Committee to explore redistricting

options in the Southeast Area to alleviate the existing overcrowding at Freedom Elementary. However, these redistricting options alone may not be enough to alleviate the projected future overcrowding at others elementary and middle schools in the region. This projected future overcrowding could require the County to construct additional school capacity in the southeast region of the county to alleviate the problem.

Please feel free to contact me at 410-386-1817 with any questions regarding my comments.

Sincerely,

William Caine Facilities Planner

cc: Raymond Prokop, Director of Facilities Management