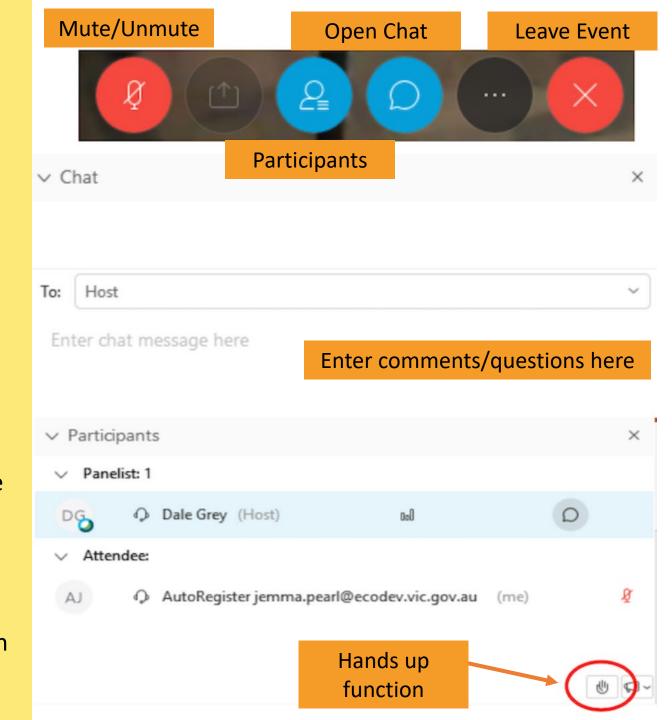
WELCOME TO THE PlanQAC 2021 LAND USE & PRIORITY PRESERVATION WORKSHOP!

We'll begin in just a few minutes!

All virtual participants are muted, so if you want to comment, please use the hands up or chat function.

To find the hands up and chat function, hover your mouse over the bottom of the window. These circles should appear. The chat function is the speech bubble and the person with is the participant function where you'll find the hands up.

The hands up function is under participants. There's a little hand in the bottom right corner. Use this function to be unmuted by the host to comment or ask a question.





PlanQAC 2021

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY 2021 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN



SPECIAL TOPIC WORKSHOP LAND USE & PRIORITY PRESERVATION

JUNE 15, 2021 6:30-8:00PM





WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS & ICEBREAKERS





POLL #1

Where do you live?

- Barclay (town)
- Centreville (town)
- Chester (community)
- Church Hill (town)
- Grasonville (community)
- Kent Narrows (community)
- Millington (town)
- Queen Anne (town)

- Queenstown (town)
- Stevensville (community)
- Sudlersville (town)
- Templeville (town)
- Queen Anne's County (not in a listed town/community)
- I only work in Queen Anne's County
- I live and work outside Queen Anne's County





POLL #2

How long have you lived (or worked) in QAC?

- Less than 1 year
- 1-5 years
- 6-10 years
- More than 10 years
- I don't live (or work) in Queen Anne's County





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Ground Rules

- Start and end on time
- Stay on topic
- Focus on issues, not personalities
- Speak up everyone contributes
- Be open to new ideas
- Workshop will be recorded and posted online (along with chat comments)
- In-person comments will be fully recorded as part of the workshop record

All virtual participants are muted to reduce background noise.

Raise your hand to be unmuted!





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TODAY'S AGENDA

- Overview of Comprehensive Planning
- Comprehensive Plan Update Process
- Group Discussions
- Next Steps
- Q&A





What is a Comprehensive Plan?

Project Purpose

- Community-guided vision for growth and preservation over the next 20 years
- Showcase of assets and areas for improvements
- Practical roadmap to achieve identified vision and goals
- Coordinates local planning efforts
- Fulfills State of Maryland requirement





What is in a Comprehensive Plan?

Topics to be explored in PlanQAC

Community Vision



Demographics



Community Facilities & Services



Land Use



Environmental Resources



Transportation



Historic & Cultural Resources



Economic Development



Housing



Town Planning



Community Plans





How are Elements Addressed/Updated?



Update Existing Plan & Conditions

Incorporate New Vision, Goals & Objectives

Create New Implementation Strategies





Why Update the Comprehensive Plan?

Project Purpose

- Things in the natural and built environment change
- Local priorities and <u>vision</u> change with time
- Strategies to achieve identified vision and goals have to be adjusted
- Required by the State of Maryland





Project Scope

What is the process of updating a comprehensive plan?







How are you involved?

Community Engagement + Input = Success



Community Survey



Visioning Workshops



Special Topic Workshops



Questions of the Week



Public Comment





PRIORITY PRESERVATION DISCUSSION





PRIORITY PRESERVATION

What's included?

General Chapter

- Vision
- Guiding Principles
- Legislative & Regulatory Background
- Priority Preservation Area
- BMPs, Tools & Techniques
- Strategies & Actions

Priority Preservation Area

- Accomplishments
- Agricultural & Forested Lands
- Current & Desired Future Agricultural Environment
- Preservation Potential
- Preservation Yield Assessment







Thinking about Priority Preservation:

If there was <u>one</u> thing you wanted the County to know about agriculture and agricultural preservation, what would it be?







Priority Preservation Assets & Needs

What are QAC's greatest assets in terms of priority preservation?

What are QAC's greatest needs as they relate to priority preservation?







Priority Preservation Current Vision

Maintain and enhance the County as a good place to work and a great place to live through agricultural and rural preservation for the purpose of:

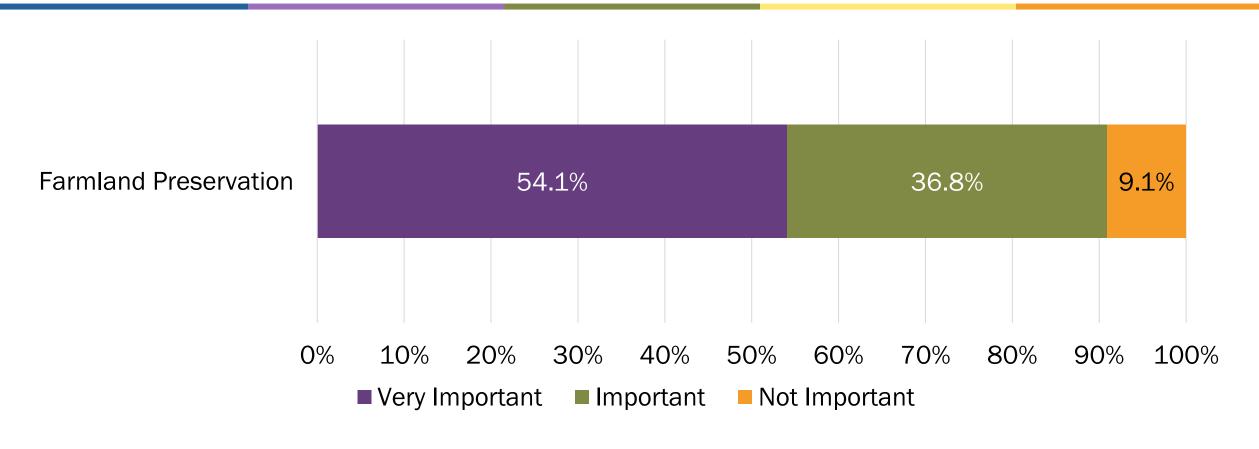
- Creating a strong, sustainable rural community, full of diversified agricultural opportunities including forest crop, row crop, viticulture and a wide array of agriculture alternatives
- Promoting and protecting agriculture through rural preservation that sustains rural values and lifestyles
- Supporting the rural character with small towns, country roads and open spaces

- Gaining a larger market share on the East Coast for locally grown agricultural products
- Retaining and protecting productive farmlands, historic farmsteads, coastal marsh and forested lands, and pristine landscapes throughout the County
- Creating a greater awareness of the County's agrarian history through effective preservation policies and tourism education
- Advancing specialty farming industries and markets



What We've Heard

Importance of Priority Preservation to Future Development

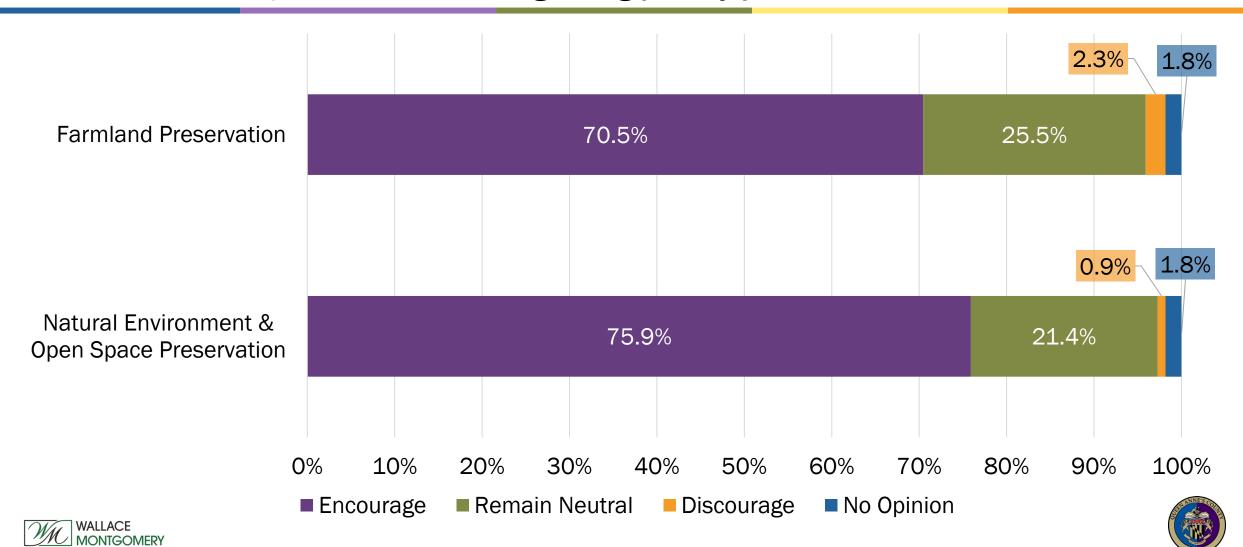






What We've Heard

What role should QAC Officials take regarding priority preservation?





Specific Components

- Accomplishments
- Agricultural & Forested Lands
- Current & Desired Future Agricultural Environment
- Preservation Potential
- Preservation Yield Assessment

Discussion

What goals should be accomplished within the next 10 years?

What projects or actions should take place?





LAND USE DISCUSSION







General Chapter

- Vision
- Guiding Principles
- Legislative & Regulatory Background
- Issues & Opportunities
- Relationship with Other Chapters
- Population and Land Use Trends & Projections
- Growth Management
- Strategies & Actions



Growth Management

- Rural Agricultural Area
- Planning Area Strategies
- Priority Funding Areas (PFAs)
- Impacts on Water Resources
- Preferred Land Use Allocations & Classifications
- Growth Management Capacity
 Assessment





Thinking about Land Use:

What one land use would you like to see in QAC?

What one land use do you not want to see in QAC?







Land Use Assets & Needs

What are QAC's greatest assets in terms of land use?

What are QAC's greatest needs as they relate to land use?







Land Use Current Vision

Queen Anne's County will be a rural County that plans for orderly growth to protect and sustain a primarily agricultural, forested and maritime community within the limits of natural resources by concentrated future growth in existing towns and population centers, and preserves the County's natural beauty and resources for future generations.

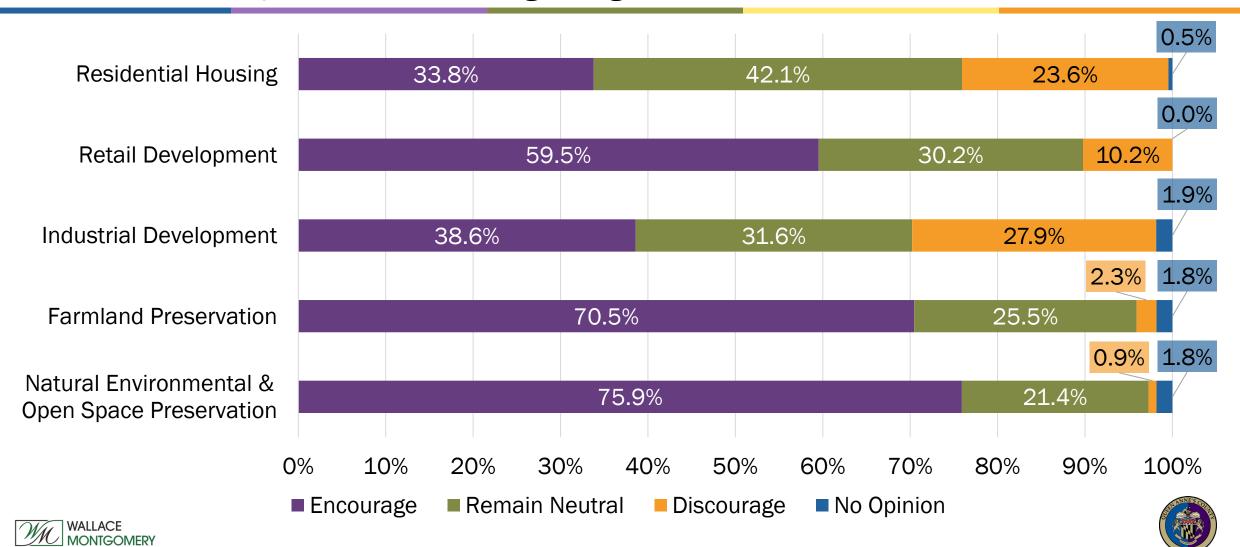
The County will emphasize preservation of the rural character of Queen Anne's County through the support of agriculture as an industry and to preserve the equity that exists in the agricultural lands.

Queen Anne's County is also a County that values and protects its water resources and is conscientious of its stewardship to the land and other natural assets and resources that make this a great place to live, work and play.



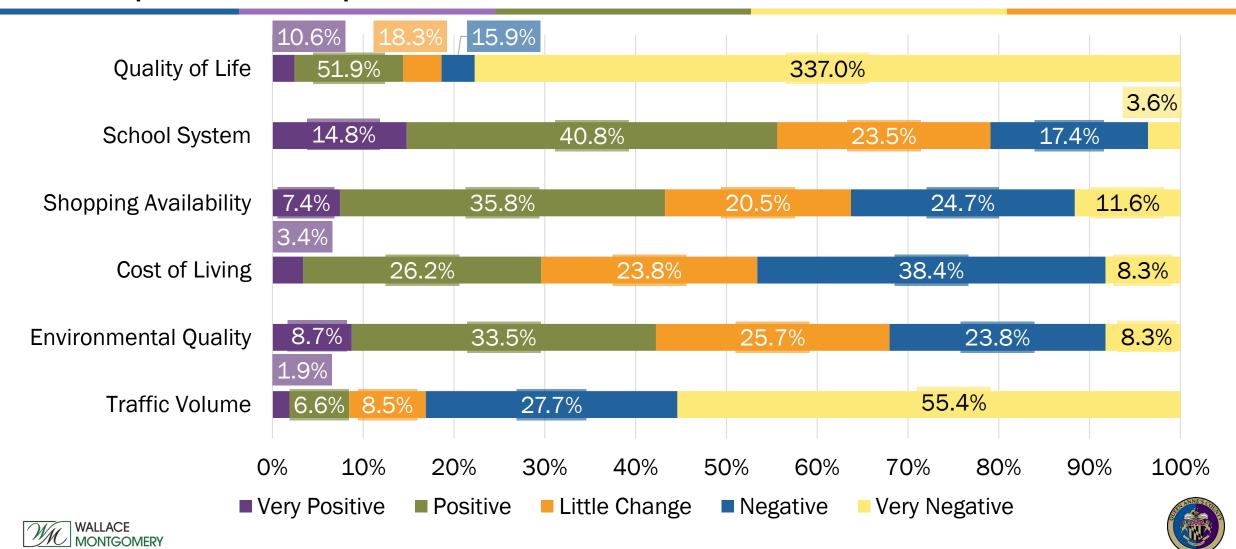
What We've Heard

What role should QAC Officials take regarding land use?



What We've Heard

Local Impacts of Development





Specific Components

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NEXT STEPS





Next Steps

- Check out PlanQAC website
- Sign up for project updates
- Respond to Questions of the Week
- Attend future workshops and meetings
- Provide comments on initial drafts through the website
- Review drafts and provide comments during official public comment
- Tell your friends and family!
- Continue to send us comments or questions!





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SCHEDULE

Jan 14	PC #2	8:45-Unk. AM	Introduction, County Profile, Plan Reorganization
Jan 27	VIS #1	5:30-7:00 PM	Countywide & North County
Jan 28	VIS #2	5:30-7:00 PM	Countywide & Chester/Stevensville
Feb 03	VIS #3	5:30-7:00 PM	Countywide & Grasonville
Feb 04	VIS #4	5:30-7:00 PM	Countywide & Kent Narrows
Feb 10	ST #1	1:30-3:00 PM	Community Facilities (incl. Open Space & Recreation)
Feb 11	PC #3	8:45-Unk. AM	Community Facilities (incl. Open Space & Recreation)
Feb 11	VIS #5	5:30-7:00 PM	Countywide & North County
Feb 24	ST#2	9:00-10:30 AM	Environment, Transportation
Mar 04	ST #3	1:30-3:00 PM	Historic & Cultural Resources
Mar 11	PC #4	8:45-Unk. AM	Transportation
Mar 17	ST#4	1:30-3:00 PM	Housing
Apr 01	ST #5	1:30-3:00 PM	Economic Development & Tourism, Town Planning
Apr 08	PC #5	8:45-Unk. AM	Housing, Historic & Cultural Resources
Apr 29	ST #6	9:00-10:30 AM	KNDF/Kent Narrows Community Plan
May 05	ST#7	1:30-3:00 PM	Community Plans
May 13	PC #6	8:45-Unk. AM	Economic Development & Tourism
Jun 10	PC #7	8:45-Unk. AM	Town Planning, Community Plans
Jun 15	ST #8	6:30-8:00 PM	Land Use (incl. Priority Preservation)*
Jun 24	PC #8	8:45-Unk. AM	Environment (incl. WRE), Community Facilities (revisited)
Jul 08	PC #9	8:45-Unk. AM	Land Use (incl. Priority Preservation), Implementation
Aug 12	PC #10	8:45-Unk. AM	Draft Plan Review
Oct 26	PC #11/BCC #2	TBD	Draft Presentation, Process Overview, Key Issues, Next Steps
Nov 11	PC #12	8:45-Unk. AM	Public Hearing & Recommendation
Nov 23	BCC #3	TBD	Overview & Plan Introduction
Dec 14	BCC #4	TBD	Public Hearing & Vote

^{*}STW#8 was rescheduled to accommodate an in-person viewing option due to lifted COVID restrictions.

Planning Commission Workshops	Open to public. Part of regular meeting.
Visioning Workshops	All workshops open to public. Being held virtually.
■ Special Topic Workshops	All workshops open to public. Being held virtually.
■ County Commissioners Meetings	Open to public. Specifics TBD.

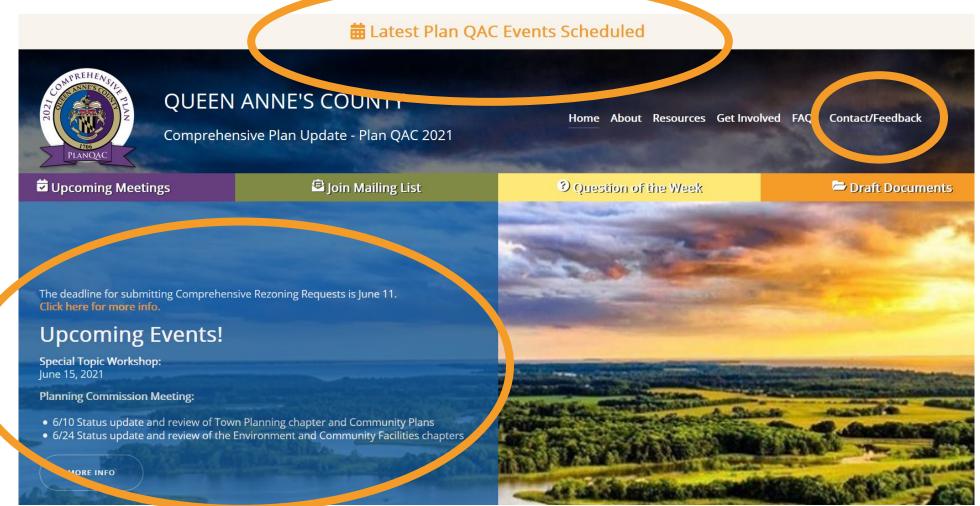
Technical Committee (working sessions with County Staff) are also being held.

Schedule updated June 14, 2021

Dates may change at the direction of QAC Staff or Planning Commission.

Biweekly schedule updates will be issued noting any changes to the schedule.

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Q&A







THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING!

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