



Lardner/Klein Landscape Architects, P.C.

Religious Freedom Byway Management Plan

Advisory Committee Meeting #3, September 25, 2007

Participant Comments

Preliminary grant application due Friday, September 28, 2007

Interpretive Plan

\$100,000 in federal funding

\$20,000 in a non-federal match

Seed Grant

\$25,000 in federal funding

\$5,000 in a non-federal match

Followup: Application was made for a seed grant and an interpretive plan

Discussion of Views to add to list of scenic views:

- View of St. Clement's Bay from Rt. 242
- View of Nanjemoy Creek from Friendship Farm
- View from Tudor Hall across Brenton Bay
- Port Tobacco Historic Site – setting priority view

Discussion of Enhancements

A number of potential enhancement projects were described in a slide presentation. The following comments were provided by advisory committee members.

- In favor of buffering new residential development approaching Leonardtown
- View Speedway, boat yard, etc. as contributors to local character – would rather see landscaping/screening/enhancements in commercial areas (strip malls, fast food restaurants, etc.)
- Need to address pedestrian safety along Rt. 234 on race days – people walk along shoulder of road to get from parking areas into speedway
- Watchable wildlife – create artificial perches and nesting locations to bring birds and other wildlife within view
- Douglas Point – intended to become power plant, but study of that plan result in purchase by BLM (Bureau of Land Management) for parkland
 - have interpretive plan already but not yet implemented
 - nothing that tells you it's there – no signage, parking, etc.
- Malletts (*Mallows?*) Bay

Additional Comments

Need to incorporate Native Americans in area

- Three groups in southern Maryland (not officially recognized tribes)
- Need opportunities to tell their stories
- Built Longhouse, have unique foods, costumes, etc.
- Piscataway Museum in Calvert County on Rt. 301

An additional change was recommended for the vision statement to weave in Native American (all cultures, really) into the theme. The suggested wording will be put into the handout for Advisory Committee #4.