



Open Space, Public Space and Watershed Committees – Resident Discussion Session

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Background

- Several Oakland Mills Advisory Committees have evolved over the past several years into the following focus areas:
 - Open Space (property owned by CA)
 - Public Space (property owned by HCPSS, Howard County, or State)
 - Watershed (water/chemical runoff, drainage outflow, streams, etc)



Perspective

- Residents are encouraged to report problems directly (more info later)
- Committees will act as an intermediary between residents and authorities when normal reporting efforts do not get results



Meeting Objectives

- To summarize some past accomplishments
- To solicit inputs from Oakland Mills Residents on Current Issues Related to Open Space, Public Space and Watershed issues



Accomplishments

- 1) Oakland Mills grass cutting changes (impetus for PSAC)
- 2) SF Pond silt runoff problem correction
- 3) SFES Tree Planting – resident concerns
- 4) OM massive wooden Safety Fences (4) update
- 5) Bamboo removal (2) - others on Private property
- 6) OM “Beautification” Projects
 - a) Patriot Lane Pond
 - b) Farewell Road



Accomplishments – cont'd

7. Established a working relationship with CA OSMD
8. Made budget recommendations to CA Board
9. Effective effort to encourage CA to develop a plan for CA Open Space. See CA Planning Studies and Reports Web page.



Resident's Resources

- Oakland Mills Village Manager periodic broadcast emails (manager@oaklandmills.org)
- Open Space Assessment Report - search for CA Planning Studies and Reports
- Watershed Plan – search for CA Watershed Management Resources
- Much info on Oakland Mills and CA Web sites



How to Report Problems

- Email CA at open.space@columbiaassociation.org
- Contact Howard County by using SeeClickFix.com or Tell HoCo apps
- Howard County Map – see download and viewer page <https://data.howardcountymd.gov>

How To Report Problems – cont'd

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Resident Discussion

