



Queen Anne's County

MARYLAND

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

August 26, 2025

Mr. Michael McQuarrie
Land Acquisition & Planning
Maryland Department of Natural Resources
Tawes Office Building E-4
Annapolis, Maryland 21403

Re: FY2026 POS Acquisition and Development Summary

Dear Mr. McQuarrie,

Queen Anne's County Department of Parks and Recreation is hereby submitting the QAC 2026 POS Annual Acquisition and Development summary which reflects the projects for which we may seek Program Open Space assistance in FY2026.

Thank you for your continued support and assistance with our projects.

Sincerely,

*Mike Wats
for SteveChandlee*

Steve Chandlee
Director
QAC Parks and Recreation

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Introduction

FY 2026 Annual Program

The Queen Anne's County Annual Program is a detailed refinement of the approved six-year Capital Improvement Program. The Capital Improvement Program is a medium range scheduling program for implementation of Park and Open Space elements of local land use plans and the County's Land Preservation, Park and Recreation Plan. Annual evaluations utilizing current growth trends, deficiencies, funding sources, funding levels and equitable geographic distribution of funds are considered in defining the annual expenditures for acquisition of new lands and development of new facilities. The preparation of the FY 2026 Annual Program also benefits from elements of the Land Preservation, Parks and Recreation Plan that was completed in fiscal year 2022.

Since the County currently exceeds the State and County Standards regarding land acquisition goals, emphasis for the next several years will continue to be on land development. Proposed sites are selected based on currently approved plans to provide a broad spectrum of active and passive facilities. The County's proposed project for fiscal year 2026 is to construct a restroom facility at White Marsh Park in Centreville. White Marsh Park features several multi-purpose grass fields, four ball diamonds, a dog park, disc golf, natural surface walking trail, ponds for fishing, and an edible garden. White Marsh Park is our second most visited Park in the County at 153,000 visitors according to [placer.ai](https://www.placer.ai) data. Currently Centreville is the second highest population density at 10,570 people or 21% of the county's population. With a large number of activities and visitors at White Marsh Park it would only make sense to add a restroom facility to the park.

Goal 1 – Provide Quality, Clean, Safe and Accessible Recreational Environments.

Goal 3 – Strategic Use of Facilities as Amenities to Communities.

Goal 5 – Recreation Land and Facilities Located in Proximity to Population Centers.

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ANNUAL PROGRAM FOR DEVELOPMENT
FISCAL YEAR 2026**

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		<u>Existing</u>	<u>Ultimate</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>State (POS Local Funds)</u>	<u>Federal</u>
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Proposed Comfort Station: White Marsh Park

200 Bloomfield Farm Ln, Centreville, MD 21617

Map 36D, Parcel 4

318.483 acres

