2020 Annual Patuxent River Watershed PCB TMDL Assessment

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Anne Arundel County 2020 Update on Progress Toward Meeting the Patuxent River Watershed PCB TMDL WLA

Anne Arundel County (the County) submitted a draft Patuxent River Watershed Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCB) TMDL Restoration Plan to MDE on February 12, 2019 and completed an update to the plan in June 2020. The updated plan includes a revised PCB monitoring approach based on MDE Guidance and collaboration with Howard County. The updated Plan also addresses MDE's November 5, 2019 comments on the original draft plan.

Along with the updated plan the County submitted a separate document that provided the County's response to MDE's November 5, 2019 comments. On November 17, 2020 the County received additional comments on its response to MDE's November 5, 2019 comments. The County will be working to address MDE's additional comments during the FY2021 reporting year.

The November 17, 2020 correspondence from MDE transmitting their additional comments also recommended that a meeting be scheduled with both Anne Arundel County and Howard County so that the next iteration of both Counties' plans reflect a coordinated monitoring program. It is anticipated that this meeting will be scheduled in early 2021.