An amendment to the Final Forest Conservation Plan to bring the Jack Schore Tennis Facility, Phase II into compliance with Section 22A.00.01.09B of the Forest Conservation Regulations. This Section of the Regulations requires that final grading plans, which include building locations and footprints, retaining walls, roads and parking layout, sidewalks and pathways, the location of recreation facilities and a limit of disturbance line that reflects the limits of all clearing and grading, must also be shown on the FFCP.
SITE DESCRIPTION
In the 1960s, M-NCPPC began acquiring the land that is now South Germantown Recreational Park in order to preserve open space and provide parkland for residents in northern Montgomery County. Most of the Park’s 695 acres of rolling hills were once the James and Macie King Farm, a working dairy farm since the mid-1800s. The Park’s state-of-the-art facilities offer visitors a variety of leisure activities from which to choose, including hiking, biking, archery, miniature golf, swimming, soccer, picnicking, and adventure play. Facilities, such as cricket fields are still being added to accommodate residents’ diverse interests. Figure 1 shows the location of the Jack Shore Tennis facility, and Figure 2 shows the facility in detail.

Figure 1: 2019 Aerial of South Germantown Recreation Park
Environmental

Natural Resource Inventory/Forest Stand Delineation
The Natural Resource Inventory/Forest Stand Delineation (NRI/FSD) 419960500 for this Property was approved in December of 1995 and was recertified in November of 1998. The NRI/FSD identifies the environmental constraints and forest resources on the Subject Property. The property has more than 100 acres of stream valley buffer and over 175 acres of forest. The property is located in both the Little Seneca (Use III) and Great Seneca (Use I) Watersheds.

Forest Conservation Plan
The Final Forest Conservation Plan (FFCP) #PP19990040 was approved on October 1, 1999 and has been amended multiple times to accommodate new facilities. The FFCP shows 176 acres of forest within the net tract area and no forest removal. Accordingly, the Forest Conservation Worksheet resulted in no additional afforestation/reforestation requirement. All retained forest on the property is on protected parkland and, therefore was not placed into a Category I Conservation Easement.

This amendment focuses on approximately nine acres of the South Germantown Recreation Park in the northwest quadrant of the Central Park Circle and Germantown Park Drive intersection. This portion of the property was previously developed as the Jack Schore Tennis facility and was envisioned as a two-phase project. Phase I consisted of two bubble structures, four outdoor courts, a clubhouse, and
parking; and Phase II included a third bubble and additional parking. While Phase I was built Phase II was not constructed and is now being redesigned for future construction.

This amendment to the FFCP has no direct environmental impacts and will bring Phase II into compliance with Section 22A.00.01.09B of the Forest Conservation Regulations, which requires final grading plans that include building locations and footprints, retaining walls, road and parking layouts, sidewalks and pathways, and location of recreation facilities. A limit of disturbance line that reflects the limits of all clearing and grading must also be shown on the FFCP. Details of the Amendment are shown in Figure 3.

CONCLUSION

The FFCP amendment meets all applicable requirements of Chapter 22A of the County Code. Therefore, Staff recommends that the Planning Board approve the Final Forest Conservation Plan Amendment.

Attachments
Attachment A – Forest Conservation Plan
MONTGOMERY TENNISPLEX PHASE 2
SOUTH GERMANTOWN RECREATION PARK
18010 CENTRAL PARK CIRCLE, BOYDS 20841
FINAL FOREST CONSERVATION PLAN AMENDMENT PP2020001*

* PREVIOUSLY APPROVED PLAN NO. PP1999004
PLANTING NARRATIVE FOR AFFORESTATION/REFORESTATION AREAS

1. **CONSTRUCTION TREE PROTECTION FENCE DETAIL**

2. **CONSTRUCTION TREE PROTECTION FENCE SIGN DETAIL**

3. **AFFORESTATION/REFORESTATION TREE PROTECTION FENCE SIGN DETAIL**

4. **TREE ROOT PRUNING DETAIL**

5. **AFFORESTATION/REFORESTATION TREE PLANTING DETAIL**

6. **AFFORESTATION/REFORESTATION SHRUB PLANTING DETAIL**

7. **AFFORESTATION/REFORESTATION THREE RAIL BOARD TREE PROTECTION FENCE WITH SIGN DETAIL**

8. **FOREST PLANTING DISTRIBUTION PATTERN**

9. **AFFORESTATION/REFORESTATION DEER PROTECTION FENCING DETAIL**

10. **CATEGORY I FOREST CONSERVATION EASEMENT PERMANENT BOUNDARY MARKER**

ADDITIONAL NOTES

- **TREE PROTECTION NOTES**

   At the time of the construction permit, the applicant must provide an ESOP plan for the protection of trees that are to be cut or removed. This plan must be reviewed and approved by the Forest Conservation Inspector prior to the commencing of any work. The ESOP plan must include the following:

   a. **Site Plan**
      - **Location and Size of Trees**
      - **Protection Zones**
      - **Protection Methods**

   b. **Tree Removal or Sale**
      - **Methods of Removal**
      - **Post-Removal Measures**

   c. **Tree Transplanting**
      - **Tree Species**
      - **Location**
      - **Methods of Transplanting**

   d. **Tree Protection**
      - **Methods**
      - **Materials**

   e. **Tree Monitoring**
      - **Frequency**
      - **Criteria**

   f. **Tree Identification**
      - **Signage**
      - **Color Coded System**

   g. **Tree Maintenance**
      - **Methods**
      - **Frequency**

   h. **Tree Replacement**
      - **Species**
      - **Location**
      - **Quantity**

   i. **Tree Identification System**
      - **Color Coding**
      - **Signage**

   The ESOP plan must be reviewed and approved by the Forest Conservation Inspector prior to the commencing of any work. The plan must be revised and updated as necessary to ensure compliance with the provisions of the Forest Conservation Ordinance.