Land Preservation Update

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There are several land preservation options in Prince George's County

- Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation (MALPF)
- Historic Agricultural Resource Preservation Program (HARPP)
 - Rural Legacy Program (RLP)

These programs purchase development rights and place a conservation easement on the property. If a landowner wants to donate a conservation easement, there is also the Maryland Environmental Trust **(MET)**.

Update for 2021

One HARPP property (**150** acres) and one MALPF property (**235** acres) were permanently preserved for a total of **385** acres. As of December 31, 2021, a total of **75** properties totaling **7,134** acres have been permanently preserved under the District's administration.

Currently, **7** properties totaling **400** acres have applied to sell an easement. Five of those applicants received an offer and expect to settle in 2022.

We continue to seek landowners who would be interested in applying to these programs. Please contact our office for details about land preservation in your area!

PROGRAM	NUMBER OF EASEMENTS PRESERVED	PRESERVED ACRES	NUMBER OF PENDING APPLICATIONS	ACRES AWAITING PRESERVATION
HARPP	48	4,246	7	400
MALPF	20	1,972	0	N/A
RURAL LEGACY	7	916	0	N/A
TOTAL	75	7,134	7	400

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