

February 21, 2022



Virginia Bicycling Federation

The Honorable Kumar P. Barve, Chair  
The Honorable Dana M. Stein, Vice-Chair  
House Environment and Transportation Committee  
House Office Building, Room 251  
6 Bladen Street  
Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: Support for HB 882

Honorable Chair Barve, Vice-Chair Stein, and House Environment and Transportation Committee:

On behalf of the Virginia Bicycling Federation, I would support and commend Maryland's efforts to build the Pocomoke Wildlands Trail. **We fully support HB 882 and would respectfully request your vote to approve the bill.**

The Virginia Bicycling Federation is working closely with residents of the Eastern Shore to develop the 50 + mile Eastern Shore Rail Trail that should ultimately run the length of the peninsula in Virginia. There is a great deal of interest in this trail becoming a trail spine to connect to other trails in Maryland and Delaware.

This trail effort reaffirms the growing interest in cycling we are seeing on the Eastern Shore and DelMarVA. I believe the proposed Pocomoke trail would only enhance our Virginia trail efforts which may ultimately transform the Eastern Shore into a biking and hiking destination.

Regards,

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