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MEDIA ADVISORY FOR TUESDAY, SEPT. 26 AT 10 A.M.

Maryland Growth Not Headed in Right Direction

*More than 850 Leaders Dissatisfied With Current and Projected Patterns of Growth;
More must be done across Maryland to manage growth and State should step up efforts*

New report to be released

- WHO:** Dr. Gerrit- Jan Knaap, Executive Director, University of Maryland's National Center for Smart Growth Research and Education
Bryce Turner, representing Urban Land Institute's Baltimore District Council
Dru Schmidt Perkins, Executive Director, 1000 Friends of Maryland
Dozens of local, county, state, & community leaders
- WHAT:** Release of new study analyzing results of regional growth exercises attended by hundreds of state, local, community, environmental and business leaders.
- WHERE:** Clipper Mill
2010 Clipper Park Road
Baltimore, MD 21211
Located off Union Avenue near Light Rail
- WHEN:** Tuesday, Sept. 26 at 10 a.m.
- WHY:** Dozens of leaders from across Maryland will discuss the results of four regional exercises that show dissatisfaction with current and project growth patterns and great concern for availability of funding, resources and direction from the State that will preserve Maryland's character, quality of life, and natural resources.
- The U.S. Census Bureau suggests Maryland's 2000 population of 5 million is likely to expand to 7 million by 2030. Maryland is already the fifth most densely populated state in the nation.
- Directions:** From I-83, take the Cold Spring east exit. Turn right (south) on Falls Road. Turn right at Union Avenue. Pass under highway and over light rail tracks. Turn left immediately after light rail on Clipper Park Road.
- Broadcast Media Note:** This press conference will cover issues such as open space, sprawl development, redevelopment of existing areas, farmland, waterways – pulling file footage of these images will be useful. We will also provide footage from the planning exercises on disk to use as background roll.