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Re: Letter in support of BWRR's application for Water Quality Certification

Dear Mr. Spendiff,

I am writing to express my support of Baltimore-Washington Rapid Rail's (BWRR) application for Water Quality Certification.

BWRR has committed that the project will follow both Environmental Protection Agency and Maryland stormwater management guidelines for Federal Projects, including designing the required stormwater management system and meeting the state's water quality standards by following MDE standards for Erosion & Sediment Control in adherence to Federal and State's Guidelines.

The project offers over 700 permanent jobs, and has committed to a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Plan that will positively impact the communities adjacent to the Project in Prince George's County and the state of Maryland by ensuring that at least 40% of the construction workforce will be from diverse populations; at least 25% of construction spending will be with MBEs and WBEs; and, at least 25% of permanent jobs will be from minority or women populations.

Again, I am pleased to support the project and look forward to the improved environmental impact obtained by removing vehicles from our overburdened highways.

Thank you,

C. Anthony Muse

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