

# Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20510

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The Honorable Carlos Del Toro  
Secretary of the Navy  
Office of the Secretary of the Navy  
1000 Navy Pentagon, Room 4D652  
Washington, DC 20350

Dear Secretary Del Toro:

We write regarding the Greenbury Point Conservation Area that's owned by the United States Navy, and is currently being used by the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis for various activities.

There are a number of proposals being discussed or publicly mentioned as options for future uses of the Naval Support Activity Annapolis' substantial Greenbury Point property. As the federal representatives responsible for engaging most directly with the United States Navy on the future of this unique natural property, we wanted to outline three baseline requirements we have for the consideration of any proposal:

- 1) The environmentally sensitive Chesapeake Bay, Severn River, and Carr Creek waters adjoining the property on three sides cannot be adversely impacted in any way.
- 2) Public access to the property and its trails must be maintained at current levels, or preferably enhanced.
- 3) Wetlands and all lands within the Critical Area must be maintained in compliance with the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Act and fully protected in perpetuity.

We urge you to carefully consider these requirements should you evaluate various proposals to redevelop or change Greenbury Point.

Sincerely,



Benjamin L. Cardin  
United States Senator



Chris Van Hollen  
United States Senator



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Member of Congress



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