



KEY

- Existing vegetation & riparian corridors
- Tidal marshes
- Natural crescent
- Historic core
- 2005 - 2010 Planning Boundary
- Break in Natural Boundary

There is currently a natural crescent of existing vegetation and riparian corridors surrounding Chestertown. We recommend that this area be enhanced and protected to act as the natural boundary of growth for the Town. This would be a contraction of the existing planning boundary serving to preserve more rural lands in the immediate area. In addition, the visual barrier of the natural crescent is more easily conceptualized than a boundary line present only on a map.

Any property outside of the natural boundary would need to be assessed on a case-by-case basis for negative impacts to property value based on this contraction of the growth boundary. This assessment shall explore options for Transfer of Development Rights or other similar mechanisms to offset any negative consequences to land owners. The red box indicates the break in the natural boundary that should be restored to prevent future growth outside this area.

