In 2009, Andrews Air Force Base and Naval Air Facility Washington combined to become Joint Base (JB) Andrews-Naval Air Facility Washington, or JB Andrews. Located outside of Washington, D.C and known as “The Gateway to the Capital,” JB Andrews has grown to support over 80 Federal, state, and commercial tenants in the National Capital Region. While the installation hosts a broad range of critical security missions, it is most widely recognized as the home of Air Force One.

The installation’s ability to fulfill its national defense mission is contingent on having strong, safe, and state-of-the-art infrastructure. In its most recent Installation Development Plan, JB Andrews put forward several capital improvement projects, including a proposal to regrade its airfield. In order to offset the project’s adverse impacts to wetlands on the base, JB Andrews partnered with GreenTrust Alliance and its affiliated organization, GreenVest LLC, to create a wetlands mitigation bank. Under the partnership, JB Andrews, GreenTrust Alliance, and GreenVest LLC are working together to preserve and manage a wetlands site outside of the installation at Mattawoman Creek in Charles County, Maryland.

This project will allow JB Andrews to support mission critical infrastructure improvements while also fulfilling its responsibility to be a good steward of the land. Furthermore, this effort will promote compatible development outside of JB Andrews; protect wildlife and flora within the Mattawoman Creek watershed area; and mitigate adverse impacts to the Chesapeake Bay. By creatively partnering with the GreenTrust Alliance, the U.S Army Corps of Engineers, Maryland Department of Environment, and others, JB Andrews will successfully strengthen military readiness while simultaneously protecting natural resources.

### BENEFIT SUMMARY

#### COMMUNITY
- Protects water resources, including the Chesapeake Bay watershed
- Preserves habitat for species
- Supports existing regional planning and regulatory objectives

#### MILITARY
- Supports mission required airfield improvements
- Provides for future mission growth and multi-Service missions
- Increases operational safety

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