

NAVAL SUPPORT ACTIVITY ANNAPOLIS

Naval Support Activity Annapolis (NSAA) is home to the Naval Research Laboratory - Chesapeake Bay Detachment and the United States Naval Academy, which has been educating Midshipmen in preparation for naval careers since 1845.



On a peninsula to the north of the Naval Academy is the North Severn Complex, which houses the armory, practice ranges, berthing and maintenance areas for training vessels, and NSAA command headquarters. The Naval Research Laboratory, located roughly 30 miles away, conducts mission critical research for naval technology that directly supports the National Defense Strategy.

NSAA is currently impacted by safety zone infringements and trespassing, which create testing and training constraints and public safety concerns.

If private development of waterfront areas in surrounding communities continues, encroachment on NSAA and pressure to allow public use of its waterfront land may increase, potentially negatively impacting overall readiness and fleet support. In order to mitigate these effects, NSAA has formed partnerships with local communities and organizations to preserve and expand public waterfront areas by acquiring easements on waterfront properties in the area surrounding NSAA.

Working with Anne Arundel and Calvert counties, as well as other key partners, NSAA aims to increase recreational opportunities around the county, provide alternative local waterfront access points, and mitigate areas that pose a safety concern to the public. In addition, this project will improve water quality by limiting urban development and protecting natural surrounding shoreline.

BENEFIT SUMMARY

COMMUNITY

- Provides recreational opportunities
- Preserves water resources
- Protects natural lands

MILITARY

- Reduces the potential for lost test and training days and the need for lessrealistic workarounds
- Protects live-fire training capabilities
- Increases operational safety





The United States Naval Academy is bordered on three sides by the Annapolis Harbor, Severn River, and College Creek, the latter of which is shown in the top photo with Alumni Hall and the Naval Academy Chapel Dome. Pictured below is Memorial Hall, which commemorates all alumni of the Naval Academy, especially those who have fallen in combat or been awarded the Medal of Honor.

KEY PARTNERS

- Anne Arundel County
- Calvert County
- Calvert Nature Society
- Chesapeake Conservancy
- Delaware Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation
- Eastern Shore Land Conservancy, Inc.
- Lower Shore Land Trust
- Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation
- Maryland Department of Natural Resources
- National Fish and Wildlife Foundation
- Patuxent Tidewater Land Trust Inc.
- Southern Maryland Resource Conservation and Development
- St. Mary's County
- State of Delaware
- The Conservation Fund
- The Nature Conservancy
- Trust for Public Land

CONTACT

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FAST FACTS FROM FY 2020 THROUGH FY 2024 | Project Status: In Progress

Authority		Acres Protected, Managed, or Improved	Total Funds Expended
10 U.S.C. § 2684a	1	19	\$7.8 million

Subtotals may not sum to combined totals due to rounding