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	SUBJECT	Council Bill 24-0494		

DATE: 3/27/2024

TO: Mayor Brandon Scott  
TO: Economic and Community Development Committee  
FROM: Department of Transportation  
POSITION: **No Objection**  
SUBJECT: Council Bill 24-0494

**TITLE** – Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Overlay Zoning District - Prohibited Uses

**PURPOSE** – For the purpose of amending certain prohibited uses within the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Overlay Zoning District; defining certain terms; and establishing a special effective date.

**COMMENTS** – Council bill 24-0494 introduces the term “non-water dependent project” as defined in the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR). Non-water dependent projects primarily include structures on piers such as homes, restaurants, and small-scale renewable energy systems. The bill also defines a “non-water dependent structure” as one which is not located in or over state or private tidal wetlands. The legislation seeks to clarify permissible uses, area boundaries, and the language of the Subtitle in general.

**DOT POSTION** – The Department of Transportation foresees no direct operational or fiscal impact as a result of the legislation. Therefore, the Department has **no objection** to the advancement of Council Bill 24-0494.

Please do not hesitate to contact Liam Davis at [Liam.Davis@baltimorecity.gov](mailto:Liam.Davis@baltimorecity.gov) or at 410-545-3207 if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Corren Johnson,  
Director