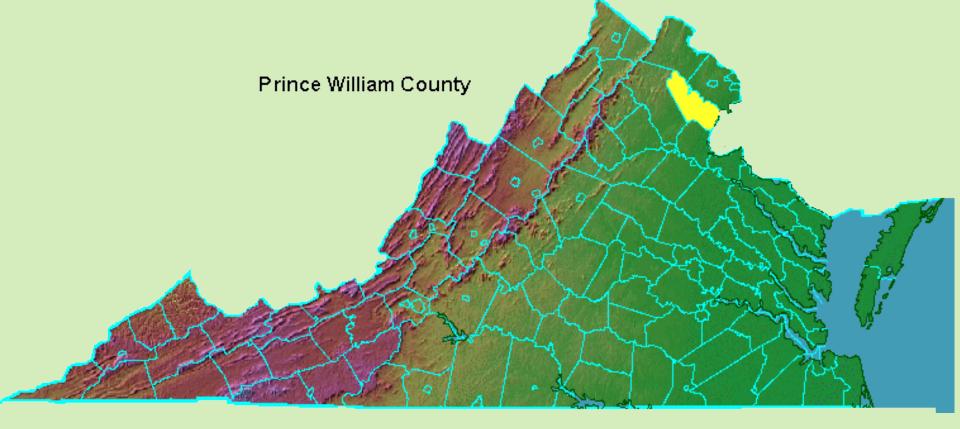
# **Planning: The Big Picture**

Presented by Charlie Grymes Prince William Conservation Alliance April 28, 2017

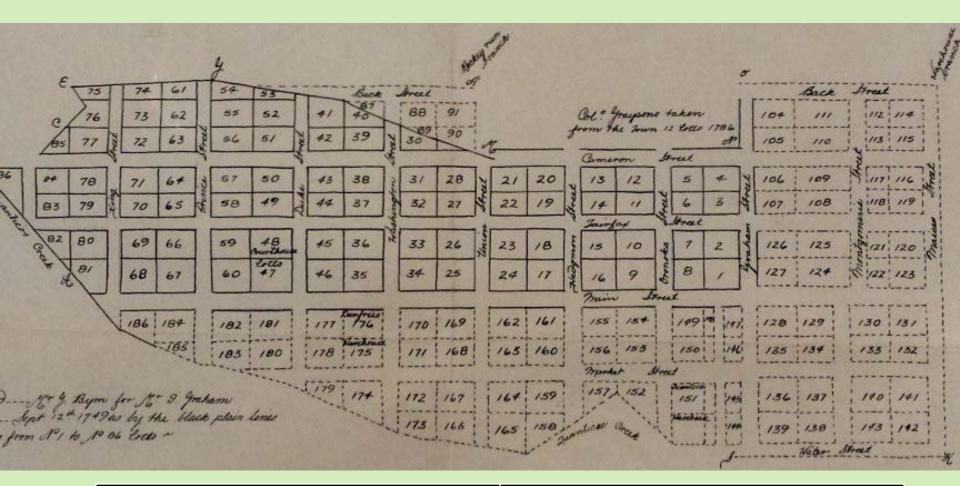


# One of Many Jurisdictions In Virginia With Land Use Planning Authority...



- 95 counties
- 38 Cities
- 191 Towns

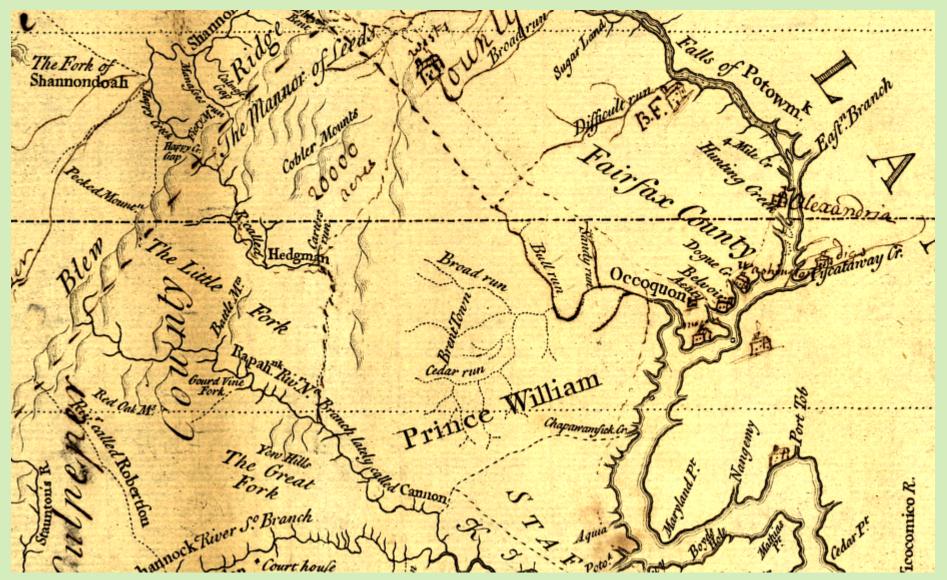
#### **Four Towns**



Dumfries Quantico

#### Occoquan Haymarket

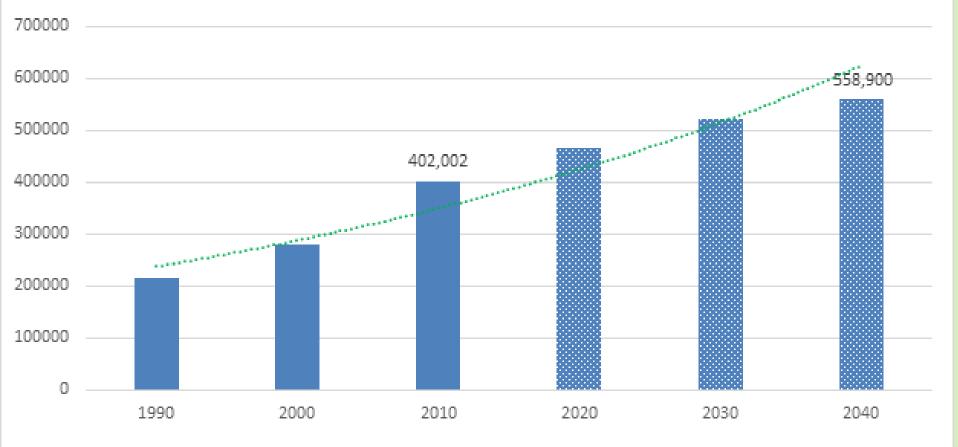
#### **Northern Virginia Has Always Been Different**



Fairfax Grant dates back to 1649

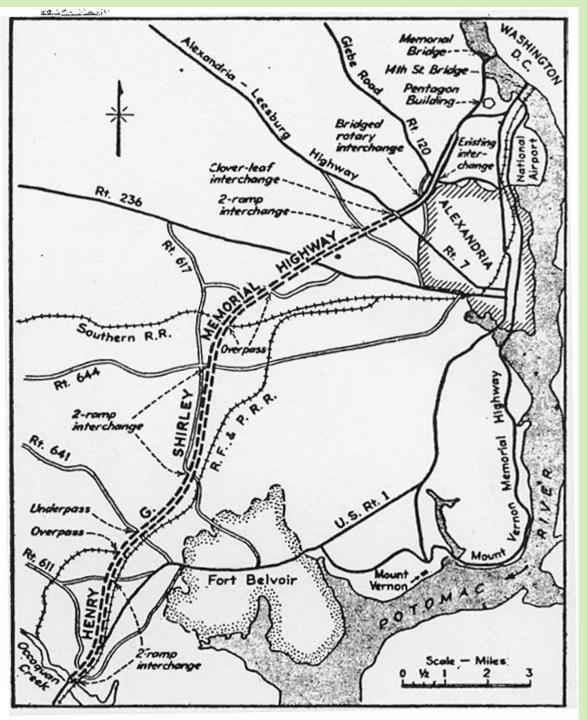
#### **Population Growth**

#### Prince William County Population Growth



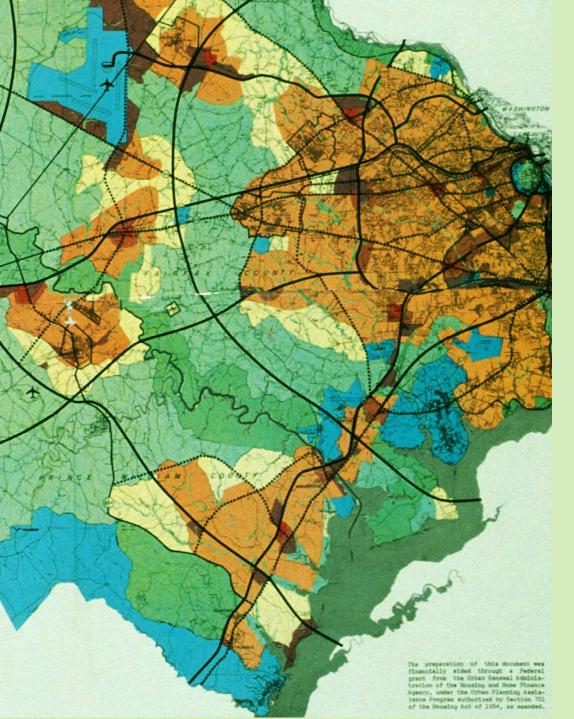
Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, Metro Washington Council of Governments

...and the cause was



# Shirley Highway

- Marumsco Woods, Dale City, Montclair, Lake Ridge, etc.
   triggered by quick access to jobs in DC and at the Pentagon
- classic bedroom suburb
- transportation planning drives land use changes



# Wedges and Corridors

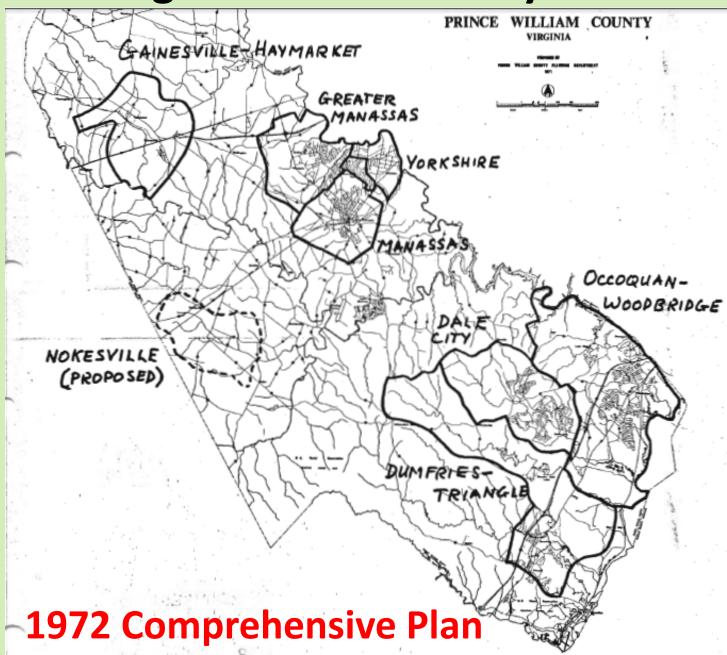
- 1961: National Capital Planning Commission produced "A Policies Plan for the Year 2000"
- vision: green suburbs inbetween transportation corridors

#### First County Comprehensive Plan in 1964

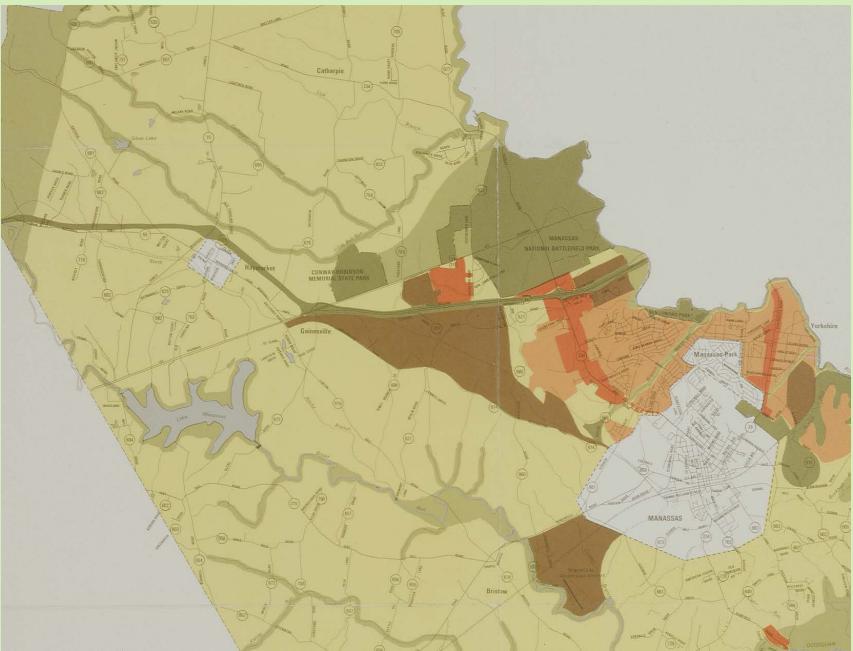
Without doubt the most striking figure revealed by this analysis is that Prince William, including the incorporated towns, is only 7.1% developed, with the balance or 92.9% of its area open. In sharp contrast to this is Arlington County which is 63.6% developed with only 36.4% open.

Prince William County's open land is undoubtedly its greatest natural asset, and its wise use is one of the biggest problems the county will have to face.

#### **Planning Based on Sanitary Districts**



#### **1980 Long Range Land Use Plan**



#### FUTURE LAND USES FOR NORTHERN VIRGINIA

Compiled from the Adopted Future Land Use Plans of Northern Virginia Counties, Cities and Tuwns

Compiled by: NORTHERN VIRCINIA PLANNING DISTRICT COMMISSION JUNE, 1993

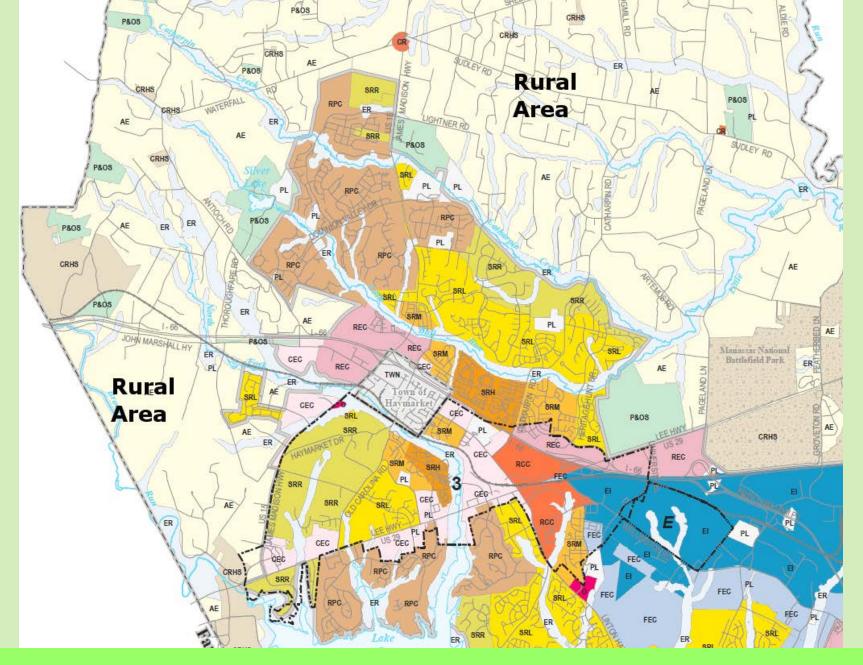


regional planning in 1993 was OBE (overcome by events)

LOUDOUN COUNTY







#### **Urban Growth Boundary Adopted 1998**

#### Now Updating 2008 Comprehensive Plan

# **Comprehensive Plan**

# Infrastructure Plan

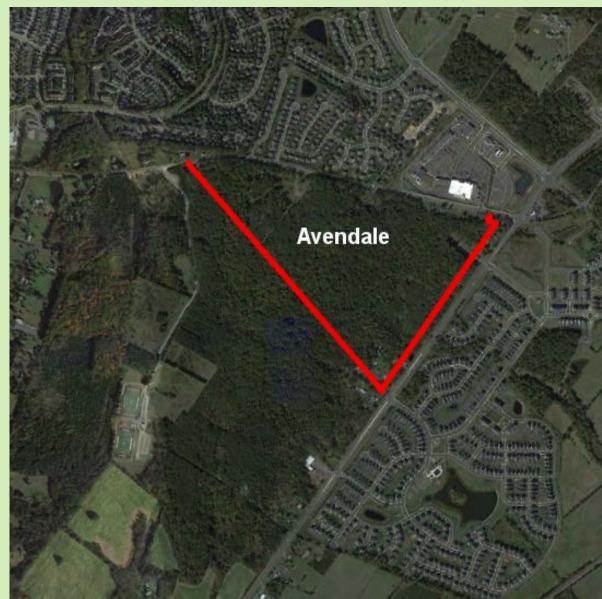
# Level of Service

Zoning, Subdivision, DCSM Capital Improvement Program

Budget

## **County Actions and Inactions**

- traffic congestion is caused by disconnect between "where we live" vs.
   "where we work"
- small exceptions to Urban Growth Boundary
- Patriot High School
- barriers to farming
- 2010 Avendale rezoning
  - 12 up to 295 houses

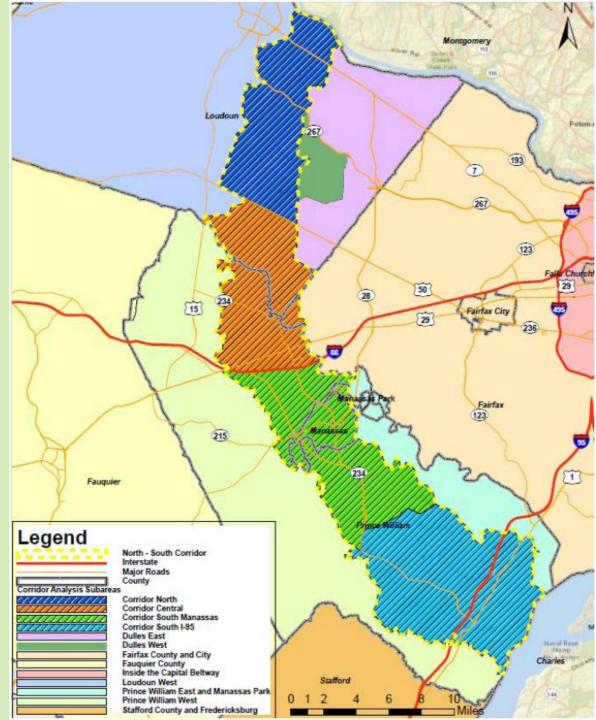


#### **New Public Infrastructure in Rural Area**



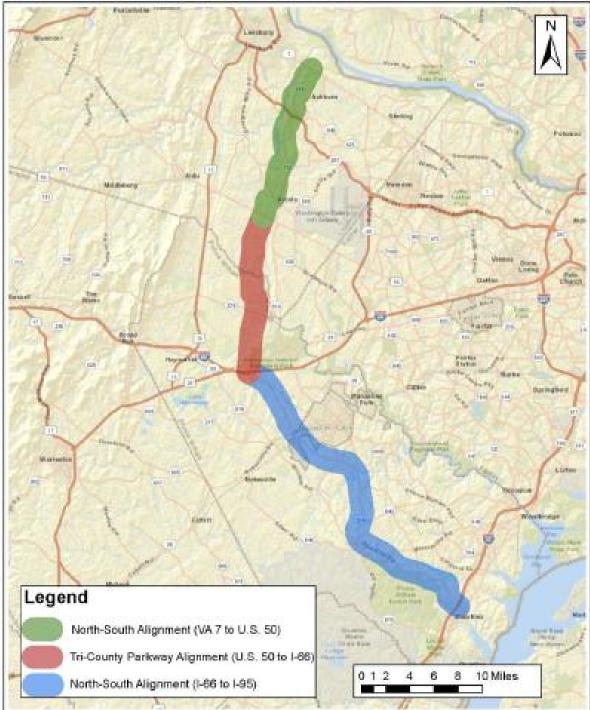
Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) and Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA)

- can ignore county planning
- 2011 designation of "North-South Corridor of Statewide Significance"

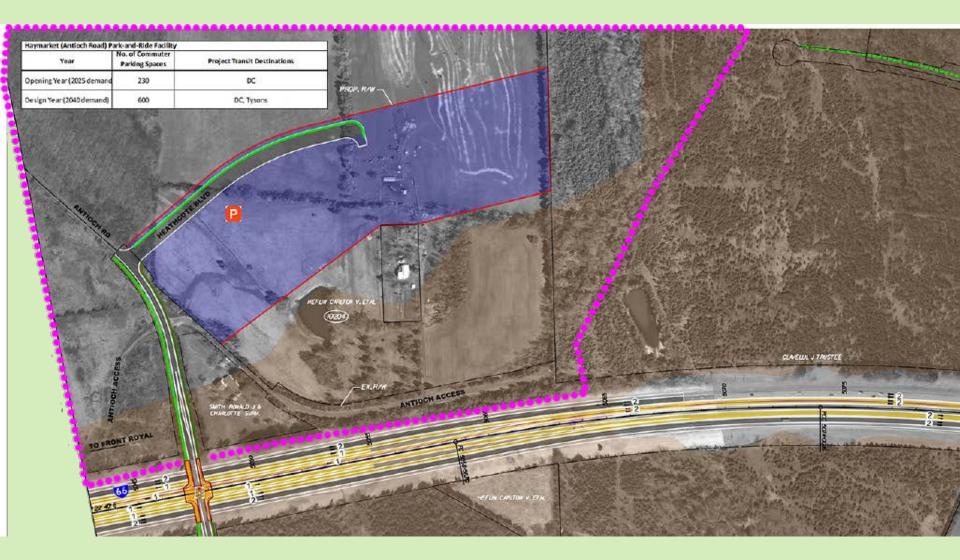


# Bi-County Parkway

- "Truckway to Dulles" for airport business
- morphed into economic development initiative... for Loudoun County
- led to HB2 (now SmartScale)

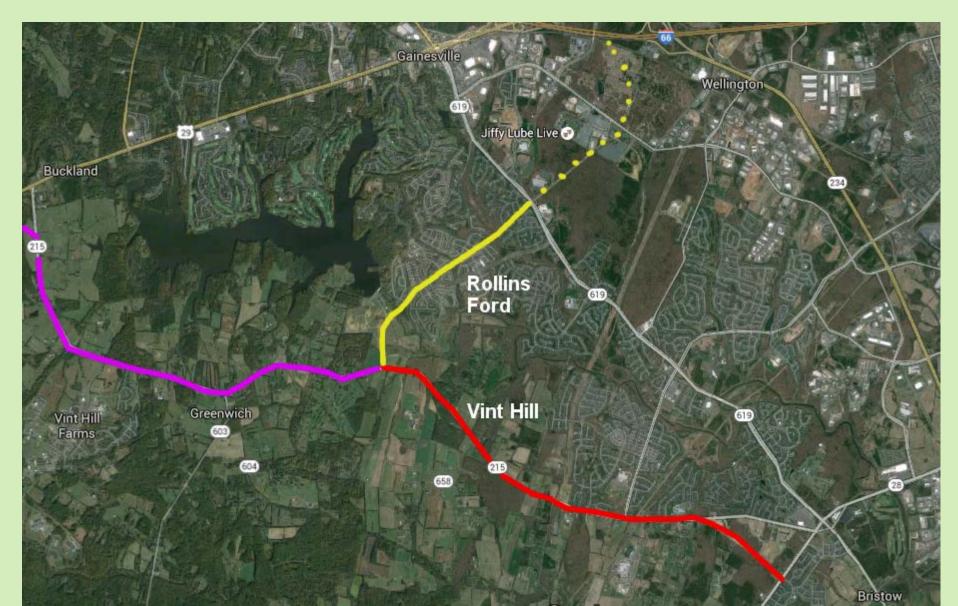


## **Transform I-66**



#### "bait and switch" plan for Transform I-66 parking lot at Heflin Farm

# Convert Vint Hill and Rollins Ford Roads Into Culpeper/Fauquier Commuter Route?

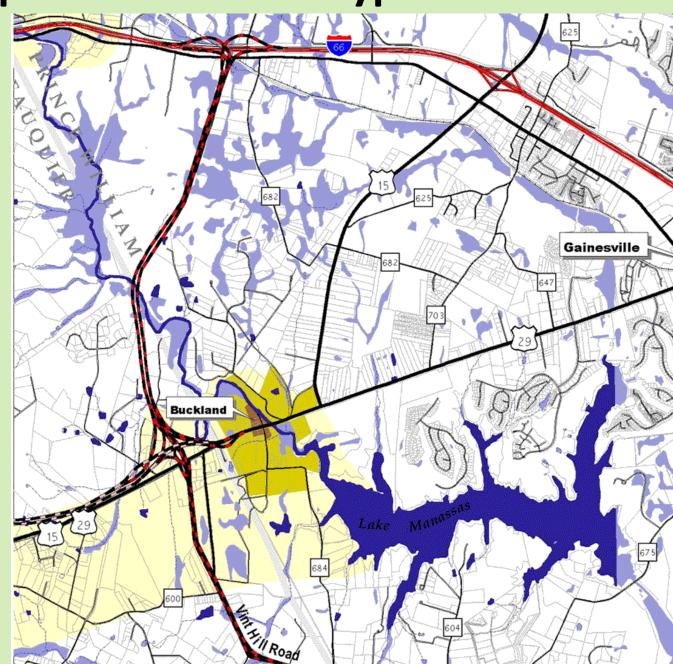


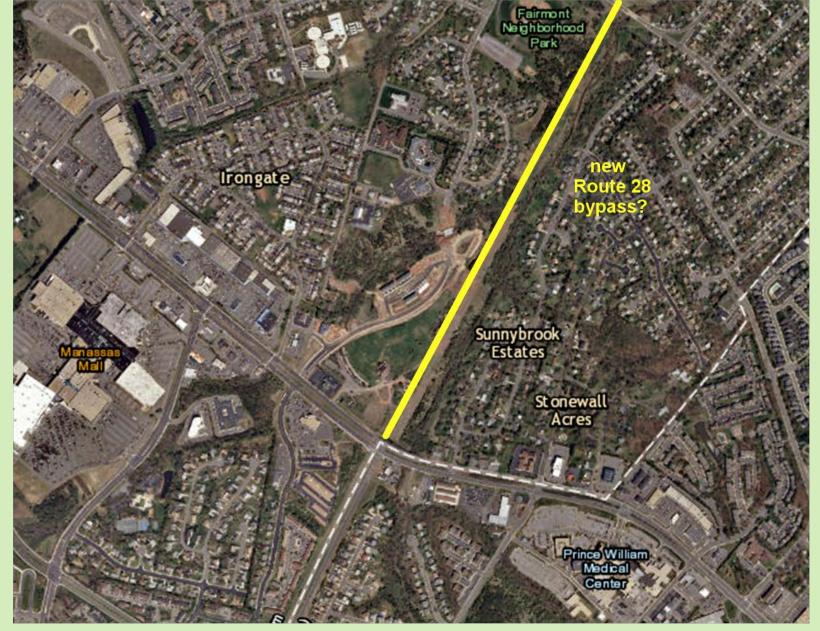
### **Proposed Buckland Bypass**

traffic

 congestion is
 caused by
 disconnect
 between
 "where we
 live" vs. "where
 we work"

 can we pave our way out of congestion?





inconsistent land use and transportation planning make it difficult to predict "how will the neighborhood change"