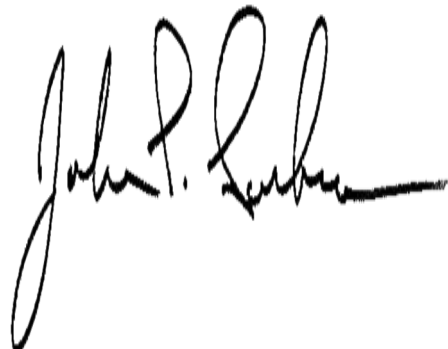


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2/2/2024	Email	<p>Begin forwarded message:</p> <p>Dear Friend,</p> <p>The Chesapeake Bay is an unrivaled natural resource and national treasure that is invaluable to our region and beyond. That's why, since coming to Congress, one of my top priorities has been protecting and expanding access to the Chesapeake Bay so Marylanders can enjoy it for generations to come.</p> <p>One initiative I've been working on is the creation of a unified Chesapeake National Recreation Area (CNRA), a designation that would provide National Park System status to several sites around the Chesapeake Bay.</p> <p>The concept of the CNRA has been discussed for decades and in 2019, Senator Chris Van Hollen and I began working with the National Park Service to make it a reality. In 2021, we established a working group to foster discussion between stakeholders and community members, and in 2022, we kept the conversation going when we released a discussion draft of the legislation. During a more than five-month public comment period, we received written feedback on the draft legislation and held listening sessions with interested parties across the watershed, which we reviewed with the CNRA working group.</p> <p>After years of work and public engagement, I am now proud to introduce The Chesapeake National Recreation Area Act alongside Senator Van Hollen. This legislation will bolster conservation efforts, improve public access, deliver additional resources and spur economic growth across the Bay region.</p> <p>Specifically, the Chesapeake National Recreation Area Act will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase public access by providing space for high-quality close-to-home outdoor activities in the Bay. • Offer recreational, educational and stewardship opportunities for everyone, especially those traditionally lacking access to the Bay. • Create new opportunities for visitors to engage with the Chesapeake Bay and contribute to the region's economy. • Uplift the stories that often go untold - those of Indigenous peoples; free and enslaved African Americans; the watermen and -women who are essential to the economic success and health of the Bay region; and the

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		<p>role the Bay played in the earliest days of the Virginia and Maryland colonies and in the nation’s continued growth.</p> <p>The Chesapeake National Recreation Area has widespread and bipartisan support. In 2020, former Governors Larry Hogan of Maryland and Ralph Northam of Virginia sent letters to Congress backing the concept. In addition to over 100 organization endorsements, the public comment period revealed that an overwhelming number of Marylanders support putting this national treasure on the national park map.</p> <p>I am grateful to the thousands of individuals who have engaged with us over the last several years to help shape this legislation to reflect the priorities of Maryland residents and communities across the watershed. I look forward to the continued collaboration of federal, state, local and private partners as we work to pass this legislation.</p> <p>Those interested in the CNRA may visit www.vanhollen.senate.gov/cnra to learn more and follow updates.</p> <p>Sincerely,</p>  <p>Congressman John Sarbanes Maryland's Third Congressional District</p>
2/15/2024	Email	<p>The third span of the bridge by the picture attached could be run from Baltimore County Rocky Point Golf Course it could run right alongside of Hart Miller Island which is a state park and then over somewhere to the Kent County Beach. The state park is accessible only by boat or helicopter now but as the bridge went by Hart Miller Island it could have exit ramps on and off and then the island could be made into a hospitality spot where you could have restaurants, motels, public beach, nightlife, could have a movie theater and a marina or two. Tell you that would be really cool and the golf course could stay and that'd be pretty appealing too: "Golfing by the Bridge" you could call it—neat</p>

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		<p>The image shows a hand-drawn map of Baltimore County with several handwritten annotations in black and red ink. At the top, 'BAHmore County' is written in large letters. The map includes labels for 'more MUSEUM OF ART', 'Essex', 'Dundalk', 'Rocky Point GOLF Course', 'ART Miller Island (A MD State park)', 'Tokester Beach', and 'Rock Hall'. Major roads are marked with '95' and '695'. A dashed line runs from the 'Rocky Point GOLF Course' area towards the 'Rock Hall' area, with the handwritten note 'IDEA for 3rd span' written below it. Other notes include 'BACK RIVER NECK RD' and 'KENT County (Eastern Shore)'. Arrows point to various locations on the map.</p>