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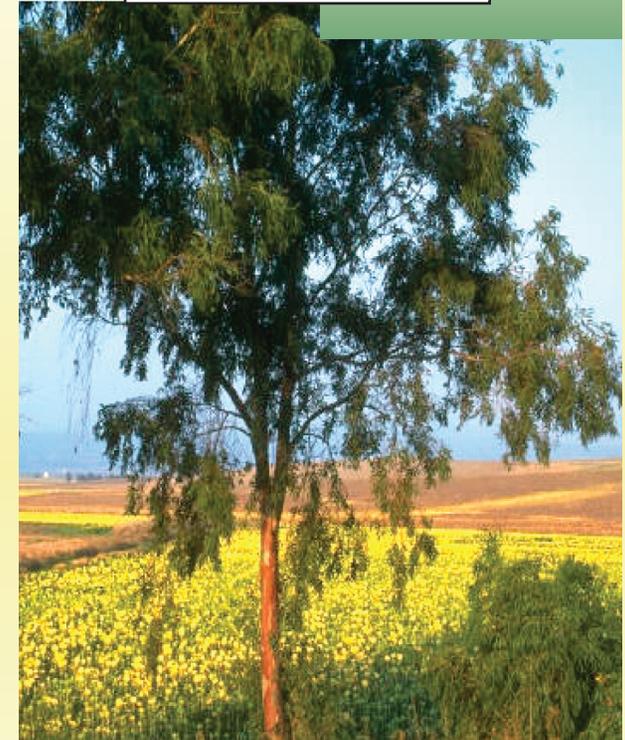
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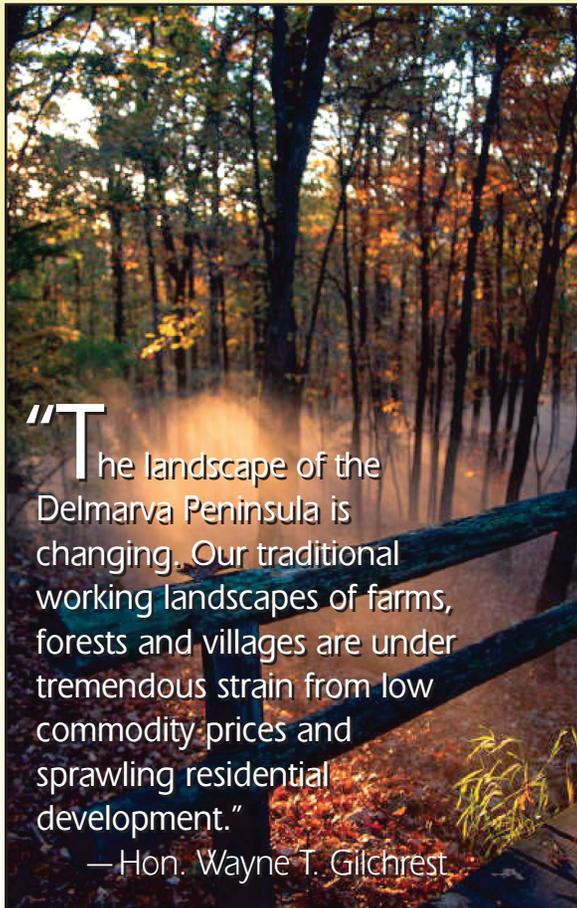
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In 2002, a new six year Farm Bill was signed by President George W. Bush which included a Conservation Corridor Demonstration Program on Delmarva. This new program allows the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to direct conservation program funds on a priority basis to the ecologically and economically important lands on Delmarva. Planning is underway in Maryland, Delaware, and Virginia to submit a program for approval by the USDA.



“The landscape of the Delmarva Peninsula is changing. Our traditional working landscapes of farms, forests and villages are under tremendous strain from low commodity prices and sprawling residential development.”

— Hon. Wayne T. Gilchrest

How Will the Delmarva Conservation Corridor Benefit You?

Benefits to Farmers: makes Delmarva farmers a top national priority for funding and allows for local program innovations and streamlining of paperwork.



Benefits to the Economy: will secure prime farmland—the foundation of Delmarva’s number one industry—and will help stimulate farm related businesses.

Benefits to the Environment: provides greater incentives for landowners to voluntarily conserve natural resources on their private lands thus protecting sensitive areas and limiting the harmful effects of sprawl.

Benefits to State and Local Government: allows greater influence on Farm Bill programs with potential reductions in cost share requirements.