

## Media Release



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**FOX'S TAVERN OF MIDDLETOWN, MD HAS BEEN SELECTED BY  
PRESERVATION MARYLAND AS ONE OF THE 11 MOST ENDANGERED  
PROPERTIES IN MARYLAND**

**MIDDLETOWN, MD** –Citizens for the Preservation of Middletown Valley (CPMV) is continuing their efforts to protect and preserve land in historic Middletown Valley. On March 2, 2010, Preservation Maryland, the State of Maryland's oldest historic preservation organization, in partnership with Maryland Life Magazine, announced the selection of *Fox's Tavern* on Marker Road in Middletown as one of the eleven most endangered properties in the State of Maryland. The *Fox's Tavern* site was submitted to Preservation Maryland for consideration by CPMV in an effort to bring attention to the uncertain future of this agriculturally zoned property in light of its purchase by Dominion Transmission, Inc. (DTI) in 2008.

The March/April 2010 issue of Maryland Life Magazine includes the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual *Endangered Maryland* list. The *Endangered Maryland* list features properties that reflect the diversity of Maryland's heritage of sites and traditions, and illustrates the threats that face them.

In addition to the *Fox's Tavern* site, DTI purchased 135 acres surrounding the same. While DTI has not committed to any specific use of the tavern and the land, they originally identified this property as a prime location for the construction of a \$55 million natural gas compression station. CPMV is strongly opposed to the use of agricultural-zoned land for industrial facilities and needs the support of the community to continue to address the growing threats to our historical and agricultural valley.

Please join members of CPMV on Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at The Main Cup in Middletown to learn more about this distinguished designation by Preservation Maryland and about DTI. For further information, please visit [www.cpmv.org](http://www.cpmv.org) or to send a contribution, please send to Citizens for the Preservation of Middletown Valley, P.O. Box 922, Middletown, MD 21769-0922.

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