

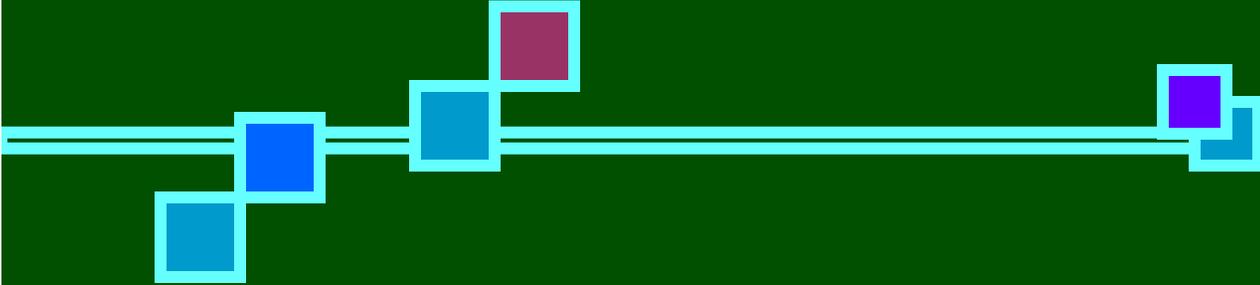
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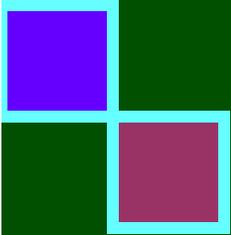
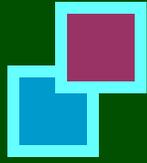
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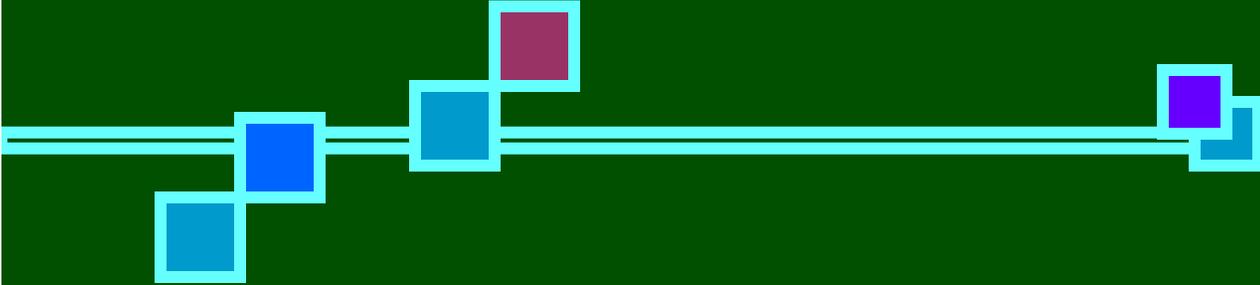
Chesapeake Ridge Linear Park



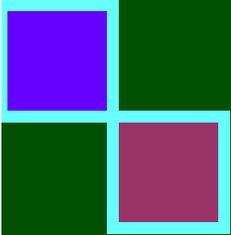
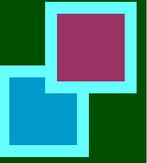


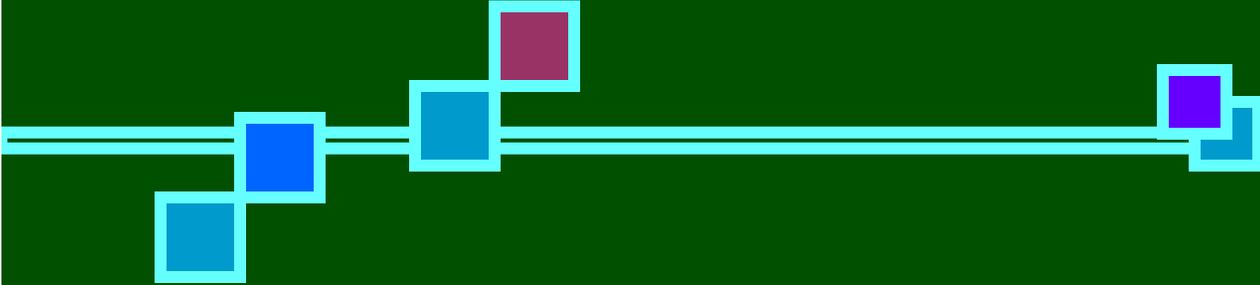
Vision Statement

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- Organize community leaders and individual home owners to facilitate a linear park from the new Chesapeake and Delaware Canal walking park to Central Middletown through a “grass” roots movement.
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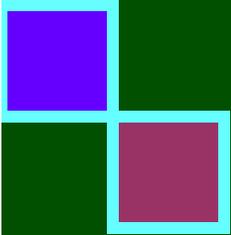
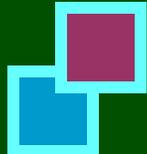


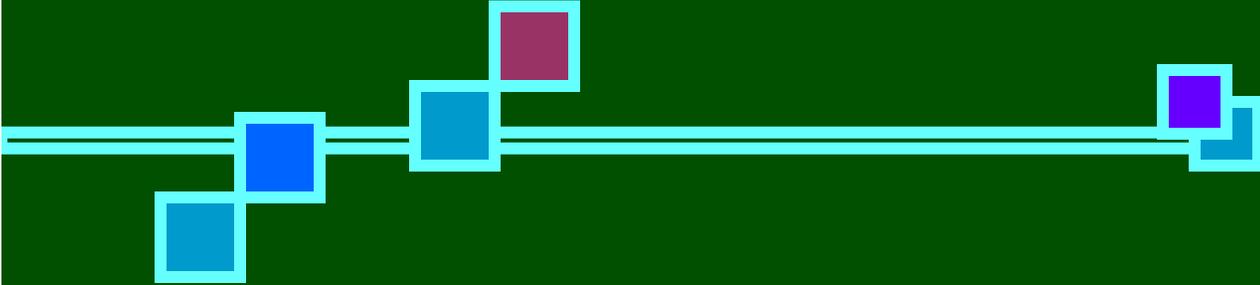
Goals and Objectives

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- Help motivate Deldot to reconsider the usage of properties within Middletown for a spur and instead investigate a partnership with Greenways to develop a linear park and recreational area for New Castle County residents.
 - Enable Deldot to gain positive support for the new 301 project by providing Deldot with an opportunity to give back to the community an innovative recreational space.
 - Help save Deldot the cost of the spur route by suggesting other less costly alternatives.
 - Begin the process of obtaining easements and property transfers to Greenways that will start the Middletown Corridor Project.
 - Maintain Deldot's objective of increased traffic capability to Summit Bridge via Spur / 896 alternatives.
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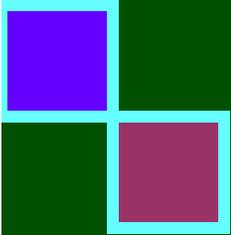
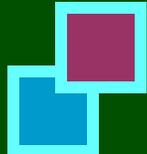


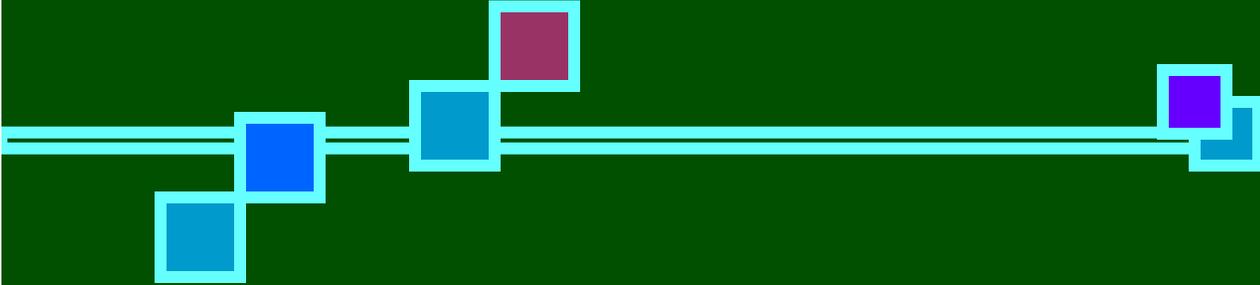
Today's Situation

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- The Route 301 project team has added the ridge spur to almost all versions of the 301 project.
 - Land previously purchased for the 301 project remain under utilized.
 - The general area of Southwestern New Castle County does not have parks planned like most of the county.
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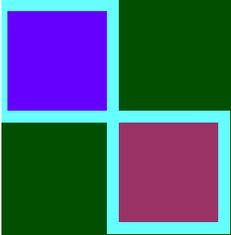
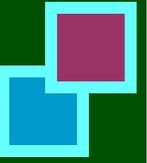


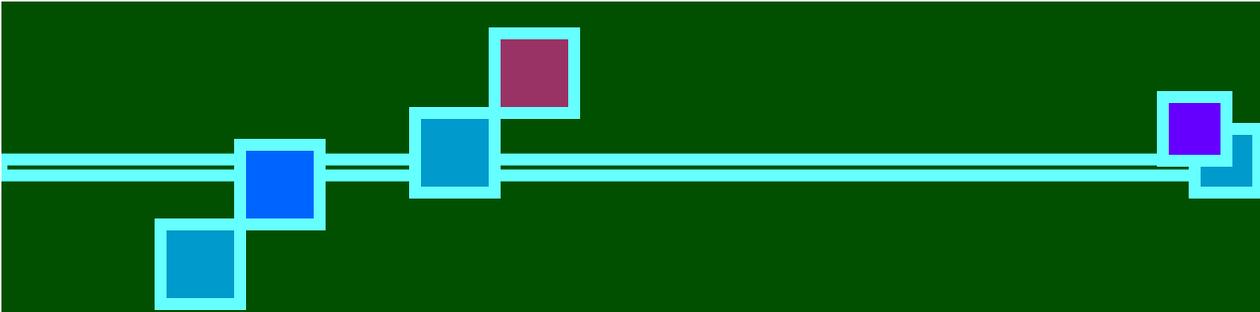
How Did We Get Here?

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- The brown route was overwhelmingly rated negatively in the preliminary design rounds.
 - The spur route uses the same primary route as the brown route.
 - The Summit Bridge was originally intended to carry significant traffic to I-95 and is not capable of carrying that additional traffic today.
 - The spur route is intended to carry additional traffic from the Maryland line to 896 North of summit bridge.
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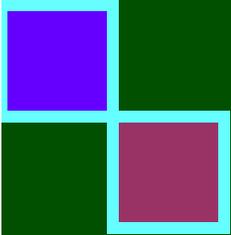


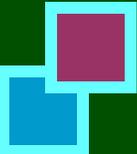
Available Options

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- Utilize land previously acquired for the brown route / ridge route / spur for a new linear park.
 - Upgrade 896 from approximately Armstrong corner road and its interchange with the new route 301 to add capacity while minimizing impact to the community.
 - Linear park option represents the last great opportunity to develop a park of this nature in this area of New Castle County.
 - The cost reductions associated with removing the spur are anticipated to be in the range of 75MM to 100MM.
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Recommendations



- Recommend transfer of the land previously purchased for route 301 to the County or State Parks Departments for use as a new linear park.
 - Obtain easements from property owner's not already relocated to complete linear park.
 - Contact the owners of properties along proposed route and begin obtaining easements.
 - Identify relevant state offices and organizations to enable project.
 - Continue building coalition for said goals.
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Before...

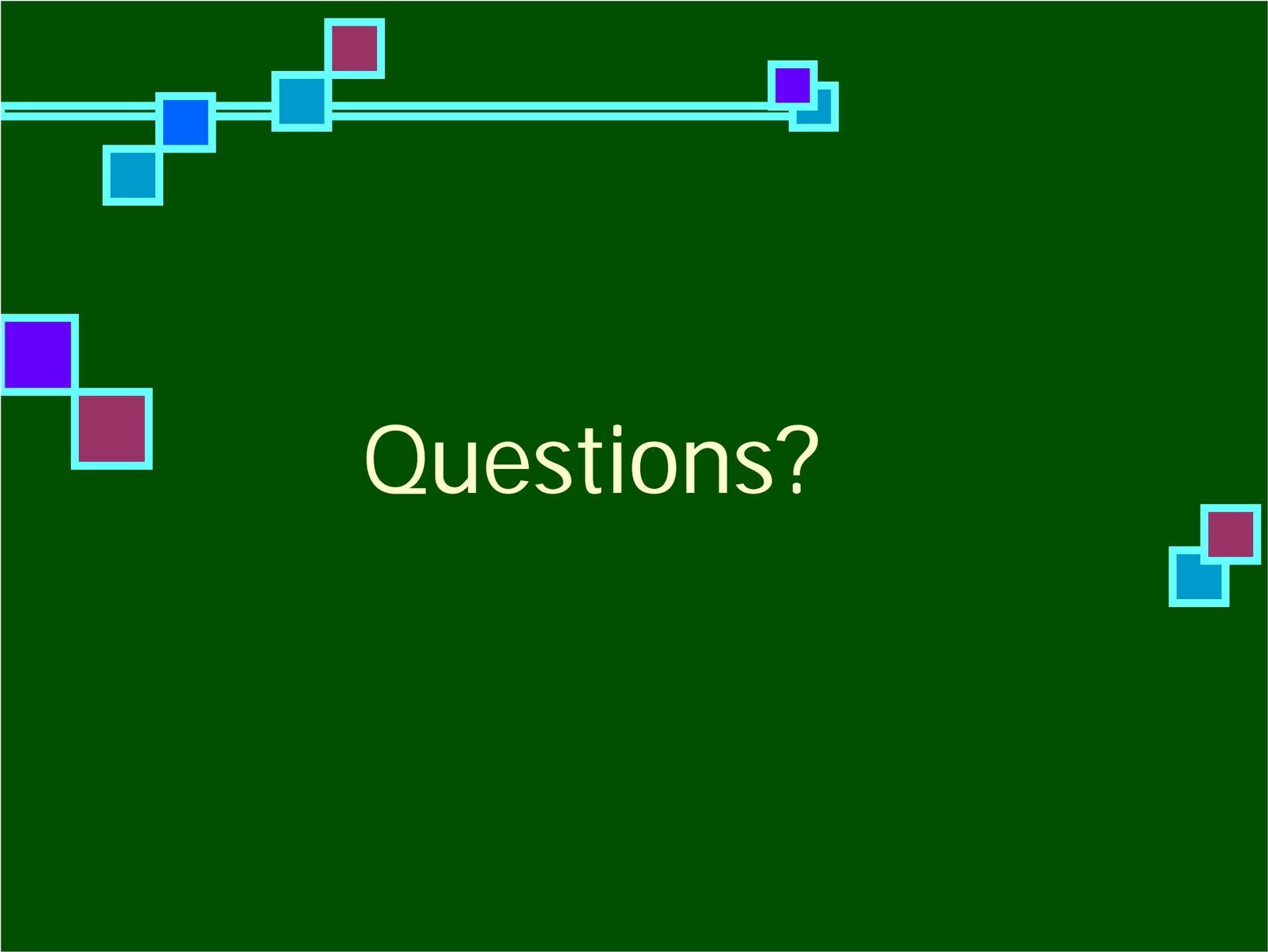


After Deldot's Linear Park Initiative



Happily ever after?





Questions?