

Appendix L

Open Space Tool Decision Tree

It can be confusing for property owners to know which tools to use when deciding the future of their property. This is especially true when considering taxing incentives, which may have temporary benefits to both the County and landowner, versus funding incentives such as the Purchase of Development Rights (PDR) or Greenspace land conservation programs, which are more permanent. There may also be situations in which both are appropriate. The following decision tree is intended to help property owners and staff members sort through the options to find a tool that matches the property owner's intentions and the property's attributes. As James City County's open space toolkit evolves, this decision tree may change accordingly.

