


# COMMUNITY UPDATE



WE'RE COMMITTED TO  
PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT,  
THE COMMUNITY, AND  
OUR INFRASTRUCTURE

A photograph of a park scene. In the background, there is a colorful playground with a red slide and green roof. In the foreground, a black wooden bulletin board stands on a grassy area, displaying several informational posters. The sky is overcast with grey clouds.

**Friends of Roland Run  
celebrates two years of  
water testing.**

## Latest Results from FORR Testing

August marked the 24th consecutive month that FORR volunteers have tested the waters of Roland Run. The latest results show elevated levels of E. coli, underscoring the need for continued monitoring.

Test results are posted on the bulletin board at the Country Club Park playground, along with an explanation of what each measure means. If the posting isn't available, you can always find the most up-to-date results on the FORR website under the Pollution tab. Water testing is conducted at the end of every month, and results are uploaded shortly afterward.

### What's Next?

No one wants the Roland Run to become an open sewer. That's why FORR will continue to monitor its health, alert the community about bacteria contamination, and press for solutions that protect our shared environment. But testing alone is not enough—long-term improvements will require collaboration among residents, local officials, and environmental agencies to address pollution at its source.

To the right is a bacteria sample recently collected from Roland Run. It's a stark visual reminder of the unseen challenges facing our waterways—and of the critical importance of community-driven efforts to protect them.



For specific data points go to the FORR website: [rolandrunfriends.org](http://rolandrunfriends.org)

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## IMPROVE YOUR AWARENESS

### Map of Inflows to Roland Run

Where does the water that feeds into Roland Run actually come from? The stream receives water from 95 separate discharge points, each of which has the potential to carry pollutants. The map shown here highlights 36 of those outfalls, giving a clear picture of just how many different sources contribute to the Run's overall water quality.

#### Why Does this Matter?

Multiple inflows mean multiple opportunities for contamination—from stormwater runoff to other pollutants entering the stream. To better understand the problem, Friends of Roland Run has been examining additional sites beyond the main testing location in an effort to pinpoint where the bacteria and other contaminants may be entering the waterway.

Take a closer look at the map here to see some of these inflows. For the full picture, including all 95 outfalls, visit the *Information > Newsletters* tab on the FORR website.

## Neighborhood News

### LUTHERVILLE STATION UPDATE

Lutherville Community Council, Friends of Roland Run, Greater Timonium Community Council, and Friends of Old Lutherville are in discussions and negotiations with Councilman Wade Kach and the developer on the Lutherville Station Development. A Planned Unit Development (PUD) is currently being discussed as a part of this project.

More details—including the construction timeline and the total number of housing units—will be shared as they become available.

An affordable housing component is included in the Lutherville Station plan. Eligibility criteria are outlined by the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) in the 2024 Maryland Income and Rent Limits (effective July 1, 2024). The full guidelines can be viewed here:



**"The June 2025 water test recorded 693 CFU/100 mL of E. coli, significantly exceeding the EPA's safe recreational threshold of 235 CFU/100 mL."**

June 2025  
FRIENDS OF ROLAND RUN DATA REPORT

## 2024 INCOME LIMITS

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