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County Engineer Earns Top Award for Service *Watershed Projects Places 2nd*

FREDERICK, Md. – The County Engineers Association of Maryland presented Frederick County Division of Public Works Deputy Director Yau-Ming “Robert” Shen with the 2023 CEAM Meritorious Service Award at the group’s fall conference. At the same conference, the Division of Energy & Environment’s Catoctin Creek Watershed Restoration Projects earned second place in the CEAM’s Award of Merit for 2023. Mr. Shen nominated the watershed restoration projects for the award of merit.

“I am incredibly proud of the work our staff does every day for the people of Frederick County,” County Executive Jessica Fitzwater said. “Robert’s leadership, knowledge, and professionalism bring out the best in his colleagues. It speaks volumes that Robert nominated work from another division – Energy & Environment’s watershed project – to be recognized.”

Mr. Shen has worked for Frederick County Government for 22 years, starting as Engineering Manager for the Office of Transportation Engineering. During his tenure, he has served as a Department Head for Highways and Transportation and for Engineering and Construction Management. He was promoted to Deputy Director in 2021.

“Robert’s knowledge about all things DPW and dedication to public service have resulted in tremendous value to the County and those of us who work alongside him,” said Jason Stitt, Director of the Division of Public Works. “We greatly appreciate the 22 years of service Robert has provided to the citizens of Frederick County.”

The Catoctin Creek Watershed Restoration was undertaken to restore an unnamed tributary to Catoctin Creek and retrofit four stormwater management ponds, located near Middletown, in Briercrest, and in the Cambridge Farms community near Jefferson. The complex restoration used cost-effective strategies to reduce maintenance, create green space, and reduce temperatures in the waterway.

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