-HILLSMERE SHORES SAND SPIT LIVING SHORELINE CONCEPT PLAN VERSION 2.0 **PROJECT SUMMARY** THIS PROPOSED PROJECT WILL PROTECT 650' OF SHORELINE ALONG THE SOUTHERN SIDE OF THE HILLSMERE SAND SPIT BY REPLICATING NATURAL PROCESSES. THE SAND AND COBBLE FILL AND MARSH PLANTINGS WILL MOVE WAVE ENERGY AWAY FROM THE EXISTING CONCRETE WALL WHILE PROVIDING A VARIETY OF TIDAL HABITATS. WIDELY SPACED HEADLAND BREAKWATERS WILL ABSORB AND DIRECT THE WAVE ENERGY TO MAINTAIN STABLE CRESCENT-SHAPED BEACHES. THIS PROJECT WILL PROVIDE ECOLOGICAL LIFT THROUGH WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENTS AND THE CREATION OF POLLINATOR, DUNE, MARSH, BEACH, AND SHALLOW WATER HABITAT. THE SAND BEACH AREA WILL PROVIDE HABITAT FOR TERRAPINS AND HORSESHOE CRABS. FISH CAN SEEK SHELTER IN THE COVES AND AMONGST THE WOODY DEBRIS. CONSERVATION PLANTINGS AND DUNE GRASSES WILL HELP FILTER STORMWATER RUN-OFF AND HOLD THE SOIL DURING STORMS. THE PROJECT PROVIDES CLIMATE CHANGE RESILIENCY BY BUFFERING STORM SURGE, EX. MEAN HIGH WATER LINE (1.0') INSTALLING PLANTS ADAPTED TO WARMING TEMPERATURES, AND CREATING A MIGRATION CORRIDOR FOR TIDAL MARSH AS SEA LEVELS RISE. EX. MEAN LOW WATER LINE (0.0') MARSH AND DUNE PLANTINGS TO BE LOCATED BETWEEN ROPOSED ELEVATION 1.0 PROPOSED WOODY DEBRIS FOR HABITAT DUVALL CREEK PROPOSED BREAKWATERS DUVALL CREEK **SHORELINE CHARACTERISTICS** DUVALL CREEK **BODY OF WATER** SHORELINE ORIENTATION SOUTH-SOUTHEAST PROPOSED RESTORATION LENGTH 650 FEET **AVERAGE FETCH** 1.8 MILES 132 MILES **MAXIMUM FETCH** TIDAL RANGE 0.97 SAV PRESENT NO & GRAVEL BEACH **OYSTER REEF PRESENT NEARBY IN DUVALL CREEK** SHORELINE PRIORITY AREA TIER 2 BREAKWATERS SHORELINE HAZARD INDEX MODERATE SEA LEVEL RISE HAZARD **MODERATE** PROJECTED MHW AT YEAR 2050 1.5 TO 3.0 HEADLAND BREAKWATER AND DUNES CONCEPT PLAN Prepared for: Prepared by: **HILLSMERE SAND SPIT** Hillsmere Shores Improvement Environmental ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, ME Association Systems P.O. Box 3485 Analysis, Inc. SCALE: 1"=60 Annapolis, MD 21403 Natural Resources Management DATE: DECEMBER, 2022 Ecological Restoration ESA PROJECT NAME: 2021-31 HILLSMERE SAND SPIT **esa** 2141 Priest Bridge Drive, Suite 1 Crofton, Maryland 21114 SHEET: 1 of 1