

## V. PUBLIC REALM LANDSCAPES

### A. Narrative

Great Bridge Village is an excellent example of the varied landscapes one sees in the Tidewater area. The Village is characterized by a fairly level topography accentuated by creeks and the Intracoastal Waterway.

A variety of nature plants are present in the Village. The waterways foster distinct plant communities of wetland and riparian plants, which differ from the plants found in the developed area of the Village.

The landscape heritage of Great Bridge Village should be used to structure development and redevelopment in the Village.

The existing wetlands and waterways of the Village are an invaluable educational resource. Linking these spaces to the urban fabric of the Village and the surrounding communities, provides all residents with an exceptional recreational resource.

Plants should be used to establish a hierarchy of spaces in the Village and to teach about the relationship of architecture and landscape architecture.

A continuous public way should be maintained along the waterfront.

