

Farthing's Parking Lot Construction Information Guide

Starting May 1, the Farthing's parking lot will be undergoing renovations and will not be accessible for a few months. During this period, we kindly request all visitors to make use of alternative parking arrangements to ensure a smooth and convenient visit. Parking will be available at "Lot K," the Campus Center parking, located at St. Mary's College of Maryland. Additionally, parking is also available at the Historic St. Mary's City Visitor Center (located at 18751 Hogaboom Lane). (*map attached*)

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation as we work on improving parking facilities to serve you better. Your patience and flexibility during this time are greatly valued, and we look forward to welcoming you back to the newly renovated Farthing's parking lot upon its completion.

Should you have any questions or need further assistance regarding the parking arrangements, please contact hsmcc.info@maryland.gov. Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Information:

The Farthing's parking lot will be closed from May 1 until (roughly) September 2024.

Visitors may park in the Visitor Center parking lot, 18751 Hogaboom Lane, St. Mary's City, Md 20686

Parking will also be available across the street at St. Mary's College of Maryland lot K, Campus Center parking.

General visitor FAQ:

Q: I'm looking to visit for a day, where should I park?

A: With the Farthing's parking lot closed, you should purchase your ticket inside the Historic St. Mary's City (HSMC) Visitor Center. Parking is found at 18751 Hogaboom Lane, St. Mary's City, Maryland.

Q: I usually walk after hours, will the parking lot be closed then as well?

A: Yes, the Farthing's parking lot will be closed 24/7 as the construction is ongoing to ensure the safety of guests and their vehicles and that the construction site is not disturbed.

Q: When will this be completed?

A: We are hoping to have the parking lot fully paved and re-opened by early fall. This estimate may change depending on weather conditions or potential delays in materials.

Q: Are you replacing the waffle block that is currently there? It's been a tripping hazard.

A: Yes! The lot will be paved with a permeable surface so as not to disturb the archaeology that lies underneath. This has all been done with approval from the HSMC Research and Collections Department.

Q: Why is the parking lot being paved now and not when you are closed in the winter?

A: As a state organization, there are many different agencies we have to work through to get project approval. Re-paving the Farthing's parking lot has been in the planning process for a few years now. We were excited to have the opportunity for the project to begin. The museum recognizes it may be a bit of an adjustment during the construction period, but we can't wait to unveil (and utilize) the new parking lot.

Q: What about public programs or special events like BeerFest?

A: It depends on the program location. If the program is centered around the Town Center or *Maryland Dove*, it will be advised for anyone attending to park at the Visitor Center parking lot, 18571 Hogaboom Lane. Please check the HSMC website and calendar event listings for updates at www.HSMCdigsHistory.org.

Q: Is there accessible parking?

A: Accessible parking will be available at the Visitor Center parking lot, 18751 Hogaboom Lane. To accommodate guests who may have walking difficulties we have wheelchairs inside the Visitor Center. A shuttle may also be available.

Q: Will this affect the Plantation exhibit area?

A: No. The parking lot at the plantation exhibit area will not be affected. You may park in the plantation parking lot.

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Campus Center Parking, lot K

