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The intent of the document is to analyze existing conditions for the Bowie-Mitchellville and Vicinity area using the eight planning elements outlined in the 2014 *Plan Prince George's 2035 Approved General Plan*. The project will cover four planning areas in the northeastern part of the County:

- PA 71A: Bowie and Vicinity
- PA 71B: City of Bowie
- PA 74A: Mitchellville and Vicinity
- PA 74B: Collington and Vicinity

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