

Additional MDOT Promises for Managed Lanes Project

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Bicycle and Pedestrian Connections

- New pedestrian/bicycle connection across the American Legion Bridge
- Replace and widen Bethesda Trolley Trail bridge crossings of I-495 and I-270
- Lengthen I-270 bridge over Tuckerman Lane north of Bethesda to accommodate future separated bikeway along Tuckerman Lane
- New buffer-separated side paths across MD 190 over I-495 near Carderock Springs
- Widen path along Seven Locks Road under I-495 near Carderock Springs
- New separated bikeway along northbound MD 355 over I-495 between Bethesda and Rockville
- New 8-foot sidewalks across MD 212 bridge over I-495 near White Oak Manor
- New 10-foot wide shared-use path plus 5' buffer along Cherry Hill Road near Beltsville on 2 bridges crossing I-495 Inner Loop and Outer Loop to provide trail connection across the interstate
- New 8-foot wide sidewalks on both sides of Glenarden Parkway over I-495 to improve connection and safety between Glenarden neighborhoods, an identified environmental justice community
- Pedestrian crossing of I-495 between Arena Drive, Metro Bridge, Central Avenue, and Southwest Branch – evaluate best location for the connection
- Expand to 8-foot sidewalks on both sides of Auth Road over I-495 to improve access to the Branch Avenue Metro Station
- New connection to the Henson Creek trail near Temple Hills

Regional Transit Improvements Within the MLS Study Area

- Bus capacity expansion at WMATA Shady Grove Metrorail Station
- Park and Ride Expansion at Westfield Montgomery Mall Transit Center
- “Virtual BRT” stops and technology to support their interest in a “virtual BRT” route extension of the Purple Line. This would include stop enhancements and technology such as next vehicle arrival information.
- A Prince George’s County bus maintenance facility to support their system and the buses that would travel along the managed lanes.

Environmental Commitments and Enhancements

- Commit to further collaboration with National Park Service to continue to reduce impacts on National Park Service properties with special focus on areas near the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park, George Washington Memorial Parkway and Baltimore Washington Parkway.
- Commit to incorporating an option in the MDOT-RPA that significantly reduces impact to the Moses Lodge Cemetery.

- Commit to environmental enhancements that would provide meaningful benefits to adjacent resources to improve the values, services, attributes and functions which may be compromised including water quality improvements, stream restoration, and removal of invasive species on county parkland.
- Commit to improvements for stream bank and bed stabilization and removal of concrete lined channels in identified priority areas in Cabin John Stream Valley Park, Rock Creek Stream Valley Park, Sligo Creek Parkway, Indian Springs Terrace Local Park, Northwest Branch Park, Southwest Branch Park, Heritage Glen Park, and Manchester Estates Park.