



# construction update

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Just east of Georgia Avenue/MD97 to west of Columbia Pike/US29

## Current Activities

- Temporary detour and bridge construction at Layhill Road and Longmead Crossing Drive
- Lane closures and flagging operations continue on the following roads: Norbeck Road (MD 28), Longmead Crossing Drive, Layhill Road (MD 182), Bonifant Road, Notley Road, and New Hampshire Avenue (MD 650)
- Pre-construction assessment of properties along the Right-of-Way
- Geotechnical and construction surveying
- Continued construction of field offices at Layhill Road
- Selected tree clearing from Georgia Avenue (MD 97) to Bonifant Road
- Early grading from Georgia Avenue (MD 97) to Bonifant Road

## Upcoming Activities

- Installation of environmental controls and monitoring from Georgia Avenue (MD 97) to Bonifant Road and at New Hampshire Avenue (MD 650)
- Utility relocation between Norbeck and Layhill roads and at New Hampshire Avenue (MD 650)

## What to Expect During Construction

With summer on the way, construction activities will significantly increase. Residents will observe large construction equipment and vehicles moving project materials along designated roadways and within the project right-of-way (ROW). Construction will predominantly occur Monday through Saturday between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. It may be necessary to work on Sundays and during evening and nighttime hours. Residents will be notified prior to any nighttime and Sunday work.

To ensure proper Storm Water Management (SWM), SWM ponds and other facilities are being constructed throughout the project area. Crews may need to perform isolated blasting to break up rock in certain spots. For bridge construction, pile driving is scheduled. Pile driving is necessary to place bridge foundations. These activities may be noticeably loud. Blasting and pile driving are closely monitored to ensure that vibrations remain well below project-specified

limits. Residents will receive notification in advance of any blasting or pile driving in their immediate area. In May, crews will be working in areas near Layhill Road and Longmead Crossing Drive on bridges and SWM ponds.

## Safety is Priority One

**The safety of the community and our workers is our primary goal.** Many residents may be accustomed to walking their dog or taking a hike through areas that are now part of the ICC ROW. For your safety, heed Restricted Access signs and orange fenced-in areas and please do not trespass onto the construction site. Trespassing is not only unlawful, but construction sites have many hazards including, trucks and equipment, stockpiles, holes and falling trees. We encourage all residents to talk with children about this serious issue. Remaining clear of these construction areas helps keep everyone safe.



## Design Open House

Join us on May 20, 2009 to learn more about: **Roadway Design, Environmental Activities, Landscaping and Sound Analysis.**

### Ask questions, get informed...

Anyone with a hearing impairment who plans to attend an ICC Meeting should notify the Office of the Intercounty Connector (ICC) by calling 866.462.0020 or by teletype at 1.800.735.2258 (Statewide toll-free). Non-English-speaking persons who wish to attend should also call the Office of the ICC. To the extent that this is feasible and possible, an interpreter will be provided.

## DESIGN OPEN HOUSE

Wednesday • May 20 • 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

James Hubert Blake High School

300 Norwood Road, Silver Spring, MD 20905

## Environmental Stewardship: Tree Tagging

The State Highway Administration's ICC Environmental Management Team is working to maintain as many trees as possible to minimize impacts to forests and wildlife. You may have noticed that trees within the ROW have been marked in a variety of ways.

Specimen trees, large trees and rare, threatened or endangered species of plants are identified with both lime yellow and orange flagging. These plants will receive special consideration prior to proceeding with the project. Engineers and foresters are working together to look at ways to avoid and minimize impacts to these trees and plants.



Environmental specialists are walking the entire ICC alignment to identify trees to be saved. Trees marked with blue ribbon will be avoided. Trees that are spray painted may be removed and used to stabilize Northwest Branch.

## SHA Wants To Hear From You

To learn more about the ICC, visit the project website at [www.iccproject.com](http://www.iccproject.com). The Spanish version of the website is also now available. To receive this update and other ICC project information electronically, send a request to the Office of the Intercounty Connector e-mail address below.

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Members of our Community Outreach Team are available to attend your community meetings to address project questions and concerns relevant to your individual community.

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