



Intercounty Connector Facts on the Ground Updated: January 20, 2009



Second Year of Construction Begins: Enormous Progress Underway

- Contracts to build 17.9 miles of the 18.8-mile Intercounty Connector (ICC) are underway, representing \$1.5 billion in work.
- As of the end of November 2008, approximately \$634 million of the project budget, or 25 percent, has been expended.
- As of November 2008, ICC construction workers have logged more than 815,000 labor hours.
- In 2008, the ICC employed more than 1,400 people.
- Contract A, seven miles of the ICC between I-370 and MD 97, is more than 35 percent complete and on schedule to finish fall 2010. *(Photo 1)*
- On January 16, 2009, the State Board of Contract Appeals denied a bid protest against Contract B, which comprises seven miles of the ICC between MD 97 and US 29. A Notice to Proceed has been issued to Contract B and construction activities commenced on January 17, 2009.
- Contract C, US 29 to I-95, has been under construction since late spring 2008, is approximately 24 percent complete and on schedule to finish fall 2011. *(Photo 3)*
- SHA has possession of approximately 96 percent of the right-of-way (ROW) necessary for the ICC and has gone to settlement on approximately 70 percent of the properties.
- The first ICC environmental mitigation project, a wetland restoration along Bonifant Road, has been successfully completed.
- Work continues on the first of more than 50 ICC environmental mitigation and stewardship projects, which includes several water quality improvements in the Upper Paint Branch Special Protection Area. *(Photo 2)*
- Significant construction progress is apparent along the length of the ICC. *(Photos on back)*



Photo 1- Contract A: Concrete girders for the ICC bridge over Shady Grove Rd.



Photo 2- Environmental Stewardship: This active contract in the Paint Branch watershed is enhancing existing storm water management features within local neighborhoods.



Photo 3- Contract C: 72-inch storm drain is installed under US 29.



ICC: Progress in Pictures

Contracts A, B and C



Contract A: (Above) View of the ICC alignment looking west from Shady Grove Rd. towards I-370.



Contract A: (Above) Looking west from Redland Rd. past the bottomless culvert over a tributary to Mill Creek.



Contract A: (Above) Rebar installation at MD 97 (Georgia Ave.) northbound bridge.

Contract B: (Right) Access road heading west from Norbeck Rd. en route to a stream diversion for a Northwest Branch tributary. Sand bags stand ready (right) for deployment.



Contract C: (Left) clearing the right-of-way east of US 29.



Contract B: (Above) Staging area west of Norbeck Rd.



Contract C: (Above) Compacting backfill for a box culvert east of Old Gunpowder Rd.