State Clearinghouse: MD20201105-0952 **Date:** December 6, 2020
Project: Prince George's County Re-designation of Enterprise Zone and Focus Areas: Proposal to add +/- 806.67 acres to the existing +/- 9,385 acres with existing Focus area of +/- 430 acres Reduced to +/- 389.43 and New Proposal to Designate +/- 14.60 acres

Comment Code: R1 – GENERALLY CONSISTENT WITH QUALIFYING COMMENTS: It is generally consistent with our plans, programs, and objectives, but the attached qualifying comment is submitted for consideration.

Additional MDOT SHA RIPD Comments:

MDOT SHA Regional and Intermodal Planning (RIPD) offers informational comments for your awareness concerning the following Enterprise Zones and Focus Area re-designations:

Enterprise Zones

- Hyattsville/MD 410 – This proposed Enterprise Zone is located within the study area of the Prince George's County's 2016 Prince George's Plaza Transit District Development Plan (TDDP), which calls for the promotion of transit-oriented development in the vicinity of the existing Prince George's Plaza Metro Station and the Mall at Prince George's shopping center. The plan calls for the transformation of MD 410 into a pedestrian-friendly corridor based on complete streets elements. MDOT SHA was involved in the development of the plan and is engaged in ongoing discussions regarding various traffic-calming measures and bicycle/pedestrian accommodations along MD 410 between MD 500 and Northwest Branch of the Anacostia River.

  The Highway Needs Inventory (HNI), MDOT SHA's long-range planning document, calls for the reconstruction of this segment of MD 410 into a 4-5-lane roadway. Currently, the road includes 6 travel lanes, a landscaped median, sidewalks, and crosswalks at signalized intersections. However, other design elements outlined in the Prince George's Plaza TDDP such as bicycle lanes and a road-diet have not yet been programmed for implementation. MDOT SHA coordinating with County staff to explore various short-term, cost-effective strategies and improvements to better accommodate bicycles and pedestrians in the corridor. For coordination regarding actions that might affect MD 410 operations and other nearby MDOT SHA roads, please contact Peter Campanides, P.E., MDOT SHA Assistant District 3 Engineer-Traffic, at 301-513-7404 or via email at pcampanides@mdot.maryland.gov.

- Glenarden/Landover (Brightseat Road/Arena Drive) – The Glenarden/Landover (Brightseat Road/Arena Drive) Enterprise Zone is near MDOT SHA's proposed MD 202 intersection improvements at Brightseat Road. Design of improvements at this location is on hold pending identification of additional funding.

  This enterprise zone is in close proximity to I-95/I-495, which is the subject of MDOT SHA's I-495 & I-270 P3 Managed Lanes Study, for which MDOT SHA published a draft environmental impact study (EIS) in July 2020 and for which MDOT SHA anticipates identifying a recommended alternative in early 2021. P3 developer selection, Board of Public Works approval, final EIS publication, and receipt of FHWA's record of decision is to follow later in 2021. For coordination involving the I-495 & I-270 P3 Managed Lanes Study, please contact

Jeffrey Folden, P.E., MDOT SHA I-495 & I-270 P3 Deputy Director, at 410-637-3321 or via email at jfolden1@mdot.maryland.gov.

In addition, this enterprise zone is located near the I-95/I-495 interchange at MD 202F (Arena Drive), where Prince George's County and various developers propose reconstruction of the existing interchange to accommodate traffic increases from the new University of Maryland Capital Region Medical Center at Largo Town Center and other area developments. MDOT SHA, the County, and developers continue to coordinate future improvements, though the parties have not yet committed to specific improvements.

- Greenbelt Road/MD193 – The Greenbelt Road/MD 193 Enterprise Zone is within the limits of MDOT SHA's I-95/I-495 interchange reconstruction project at Greenbelt Metro Station, which includes reconstructing the existing partial interchange into a full interchange with auxiliary lanes along I-95/I-495 between US 1 and MD 201. Design of improvements at this location is on hold pending identification of additional funding.

  In addition, the Greenbelt Road/MD 193 Enterprise Zone is bound on the south by MD 193, which has been at the center of various efforts by Greenbelt to improve safety and bicycle/ pedestrian accommodations. Greenbelt and neighboring community have recommended a MD 193 road diet to allow implementation of dedicated bicycle lanes, new crosswalks, landscaping, and new sidewalks. MDOT SHA continues to coordinate this vision with Greenbelt, though to date, the parties have not yet committed to specific improvements. For coordination regarding actions that might affect MD 193 operations and other nearby MDOT SHA roads, please contact Peter Campanides, P.E., MDOT SHA Assistant District 3 Engineer-Traffic, at 301-513-7404 or via email at pcampanides@mdot.maryland.gov.

- Brentwood/US Route 1 (Rhode Island Avenue)/MD 208 – In 2019, at the request of Cottage City, MDOT SHA assessed various safety, bicycle, and pedestrian needs along MD 208 from US 1 to US 1 Alternate, which traverses portions of Brentwood, Cottage City, and Colmar Manor. Drawing from the assessment's findings, MDOT SHA restriped MD 208 to narrow travel lanes, added a bicycle lane, and striped a MD 208 left-turn lane at US 1 Alternate. For coordination regarding actions that might affect MDOT SHA roadway operations in the vicinity, please contact Peter Campanides, P.E., MDOT SHA Assistant District 3 Engineer-Traffic, at 301-513-7404 or via email at pcampanides@mdot.maryland.gov.

Focus Area

- Old Branch Avenue /MD 5 Branch Avenue – This focus area is anchored by the MD 5 interchange at MD 223, a key node in both MDOT SHA's MD 5 Transportation Corridor Study and MDOT SHA's MD 223 Corridor Study. The MD 5 Transportation Corridor Study proposes the widening MD 5 from four to six lanes and constructing interchanges at Surratts Road and at Burch Hill Road. MD 5 corridor planning remains on hold pending identification of additional funding. For additional information concerning the MD 5 Transportation Corridor Study, please contact Barry Kiedrowski, P.E. MDOT SHA Project Management Division Chief, at 410-545-8769 or via email at bkiedrowski@mdot.maryland.gov.

  The MD 223 Corridor Planning Study establishes a long-term vision for the MD 223 corridor, from Steed Road to MD 4. Various proposed treatments include spot and intersection capacity

improvements, geometric improvements for left-turn lanes throughout corridor, signage, signalization, bike/ped facilities, and various transit accommodations. MDOT SHA has begun implementation of recommended improvements, including at Dower House Road, Sherwood Drive, and Victoria Drive. For additional information concerning these improvements, please contact Claudine Myers, P.E., MDOT SHA Assistant District 3 Engineer-Project Development, at 301-513-7467 or via email at cmyers1@mdot.maryland.gov.

For general coordination regarding actions that might affect MDOT SHA roads in Prince George's County, you also may contact Erica Rigby, P.E., MDOT SHA Acting District 3 Engineer, at 301-513-7346 or via email at erigby@mdot.maryland.gov

Thank you,

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