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TRAFFIC RELIEF PLAN





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Secretary's Remarks





Pete K. Rahn Secretary

Maryland Department of Transportation

Goals of the I-495/I-270 Project



 Present the best value and innovative solutions to our challenges

Upfront financial contribution by the concessionaire

• The Best of the Best

We are in the Process of Securing...



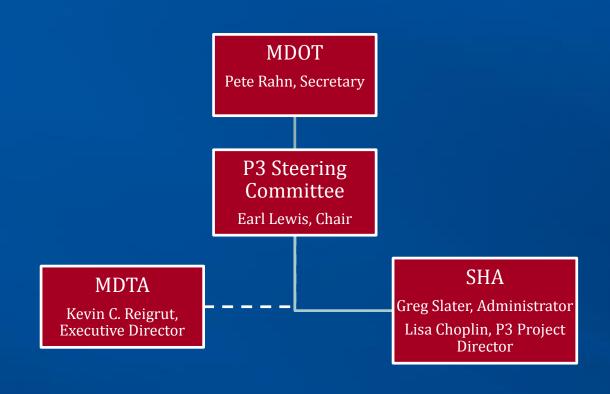
Third-party legal and NEPA advisors

Financial advisors

• Traffic & Revenue consultants

The MDOT P3 Team





P3 Project Team







Send your BEST people and BEST ideas

MDOT is going BIG and FAST!



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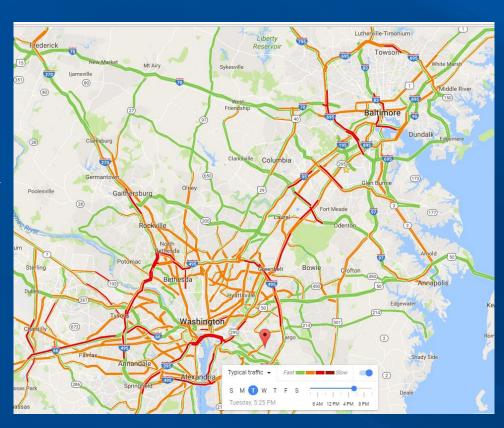
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Traffic Relief Plan Overview
Greg Slater, State Highway Administrator

Maryland's Congestion Challenge



- Congestion limits economic growth and diminishes the quality of life
- 2nd longest commuting times in nation
- 98% of weekday congestion in Baltimore/Washington region
- \$2.05B annual cost of congestion



Maryland's Congestion Challenge



- The National Capital Region is the most congested region in the nation based on annual delay and congestion per auto commuter
- I-270, I-495, and MD 295 are among the most congested corridors in Maryland



Maryland's Congestion Challenge



Daily:



I-495 carries more than 240,000 people and is congested 10 hours per day



I-270 carries more than 260,000 people and is congested 7 hours per day



MD 295 carries more than 120,000 people and is congested 7 hours per day

Speed on I-495

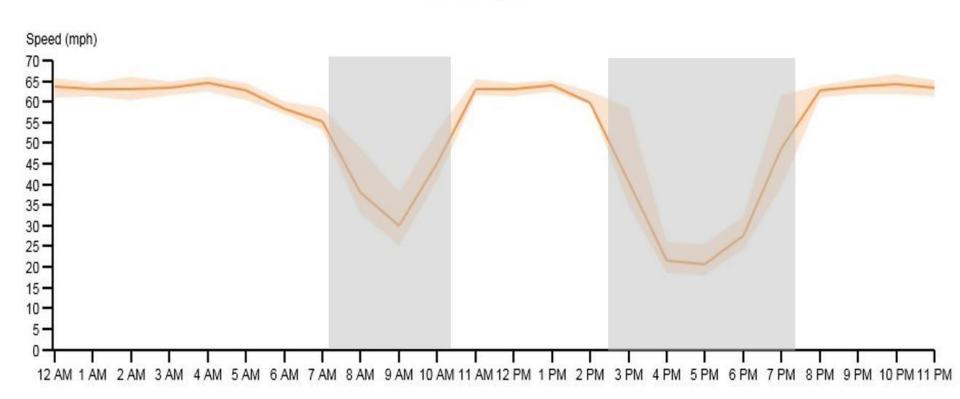


Between American Legion Bridge & I-270 Spur

Speed for I-495 between American Legion Bridge and I-270 SPUR

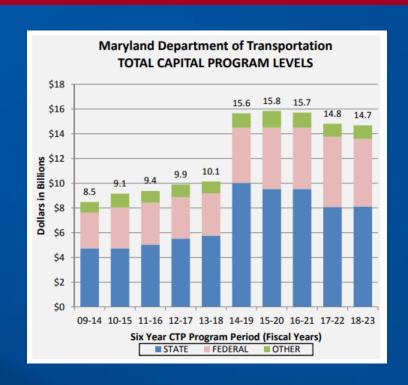
Averaged per hour for September 12, 2017 through September 14, 2017

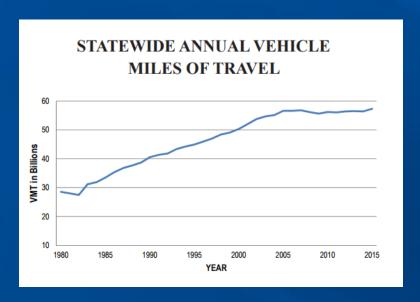
Counterclockwise



Revenues vs. Needs







Current funding cannot maintain state of good repair and the need for expansion

A "System of Systems"



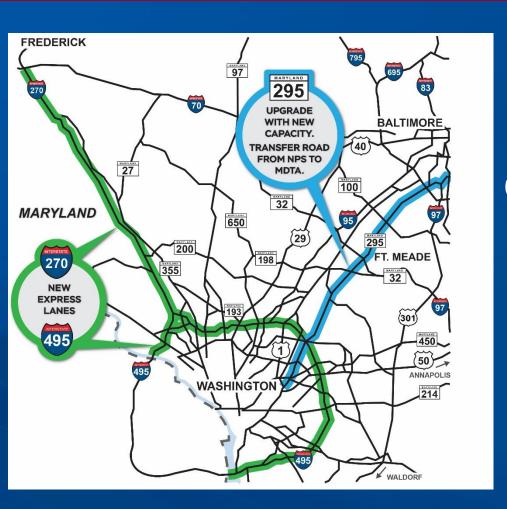
- ETL's, Smart Signals, Purple Line, I-270 ICM
- And.....





Traffic Relief Plan





Transformative Solutions

Combined with other statewide Transportation efforts

New Express Lanes on I-495

New Express Lanes on I-270

Seek transfer of MD 295 and add Express Lanes

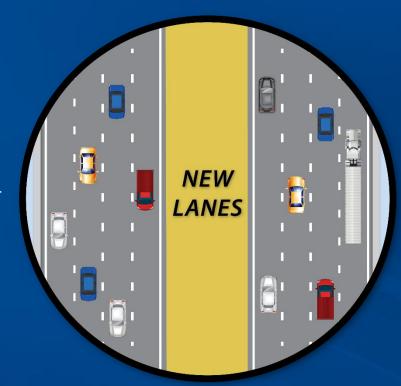
Public Private Partnerships



Seek P3 agreements on I-495 and I-270 to Design, Build, Finance, Operate and

Maintain new lanes

MD 295 to be delivered by Design-Build contract(s)



Results



Additional Premium Service Capacity to I-495 and I-270

- Transform busy interstates from parking lots during rush hour
- Remove overflow traffic from local network and neighborhoods



Additional Capacity on MD 295

- Deliver relief to 120,000 people
- Improve MD 295 to state of good repair



Goals of P3 Agreements



Traffic Relief – Provide solutions to reduce delay and improve predictability for vehicular trips on I-495 and I-270

Financing – No net state contribution over totality of agreements

Acceleration – Provide improvements faster to users

Innovation – Flexibility to encourage innovation of private sector to minimize impacts (right-of-way, environment, maintenance of traffic, etc.)

Request for Information





Request for Information (RFI)

September 21, 2017

I-495/I-95 (Capital Beltway)
Congestion Relief Improvements
from the American Legion Bridge to the
Woodrow Wilson Bridge

I-270 Congestion Relief Improvements from I-495 to I-70

Response to this RFI is not a requirement for any resulting Request for Qualifications or Request for Proposals.

- Responses requested by December 20, 2017
- Key Purpose Encourage early and continuous involvement from the private sector in project development

Key Information Sought from RFI



- Number and Size of P3 Contracts
 - Single solicitation or multiple solicitation documents for the Traffic Relief Plan?
 - Approximate value of capital improvements per a solicitation?
 - Multiple solicitations at once or staggering solicitations and how much time between solicitations?

Key Information Sought from RFI



- NEPA & Project Development
 - Timing of Request for Qualifications and Request for Proposals issuance with NEPA schedule?
 - Major risks to consider in NEPA and project development?
 - Right-of-way acquisition retained by MDOT or transferred? Who assumes cost risk?



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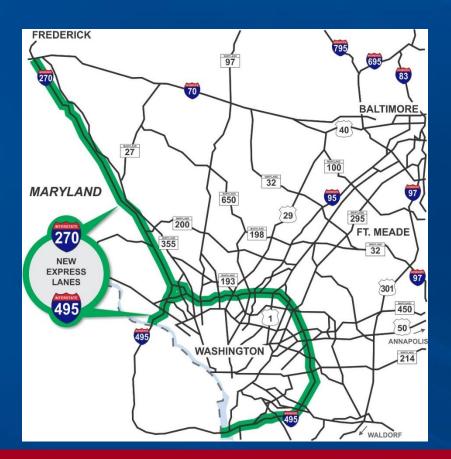
I-495 and I-270 OVERVIEW



Discussion Topics



- Corridor Overviews / Conditions
- Previous Studies
- Current Activities
- NEPA Approach



I-495/I-270 Traffic Volume





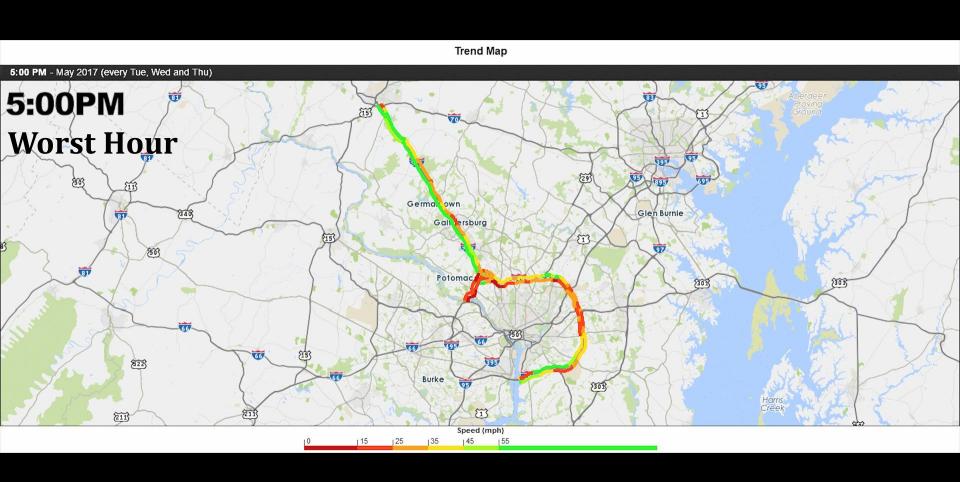


Section	2016 ADT
I-495: ALB to I-95	110,000 – 248,000
I-495: I-95 to WWB	158,000 – 231,000
I-270	82,000 – 261,000

I-495/I-270 Speeds



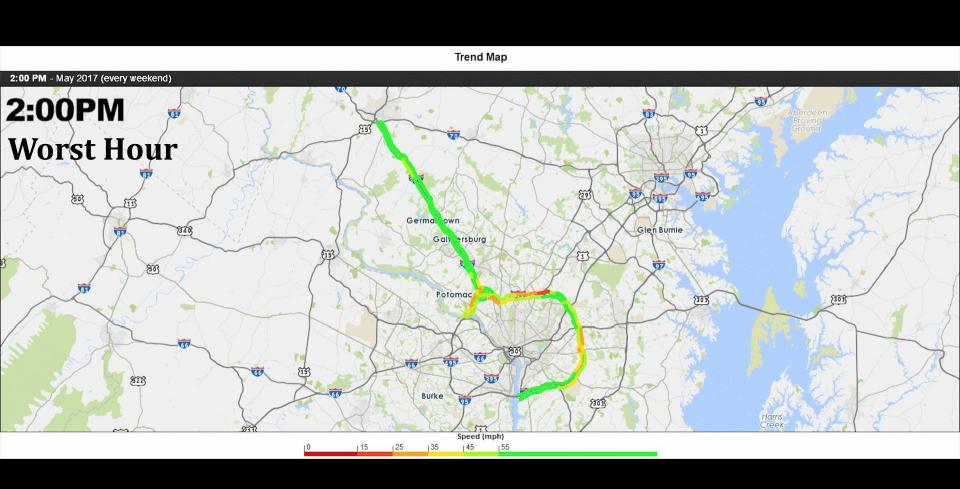
Average speed for a typical WEEKDAY during May 2017 (RITIS)



I-495/I-270 Speeds



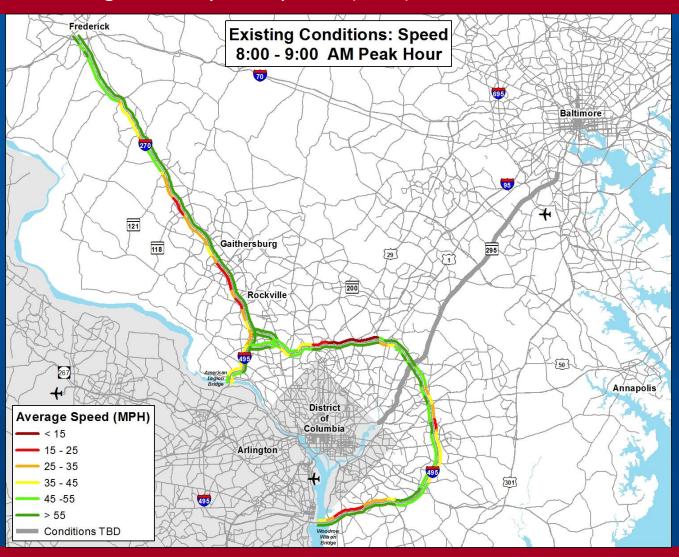
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I-495/I-270 Peak Hour Speeds



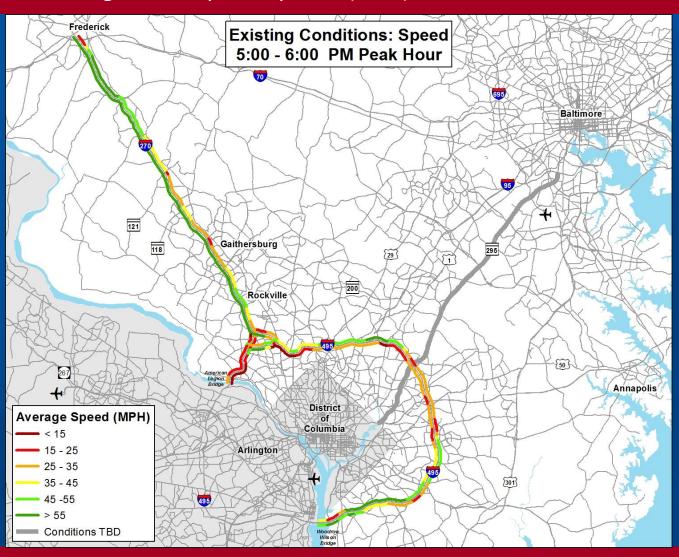
8 to 9 AM for an average weekday in May 2017 (RITIS)



I-495/I-270 Peak Hour Speeds

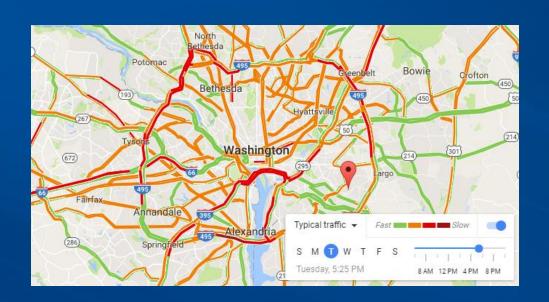


5 to 6 PM for an average weekday in May 2017 (RITIS)



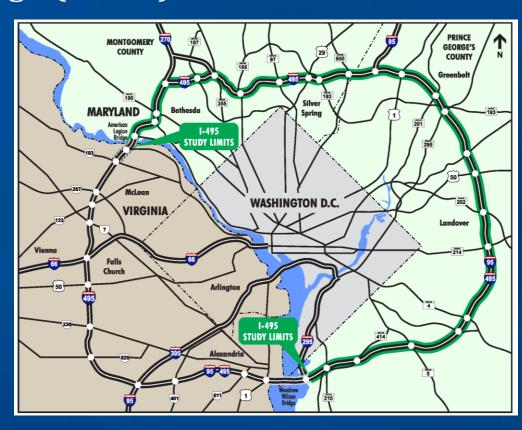


I-495 / I-95 OVERVIEW & CONDITIONS





- Limits: American Legion Bridge (ALB) to Woodrow Wilson Bridge (WWB)
- Length: 42 miles
- Initially opened to traffic in 1964
- ALB originally constructed in 1960
- WWB reconstructed in 2008





Section	Number of Lanes
American Legion Bridge (ALB)	10 lanes
ALB to I-270 West Spur	8 lanes
West Spur to East Spur	6 lanes
East Spur to MD 210	8 lanes
MD 210 to WWB	10 lanes





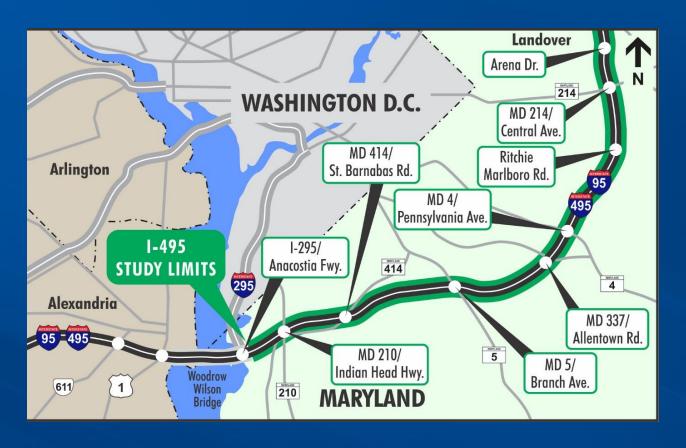


Interchanges



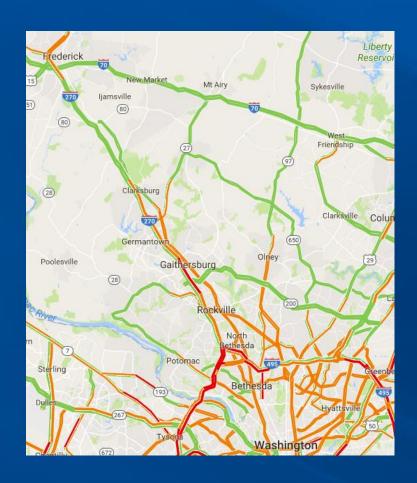


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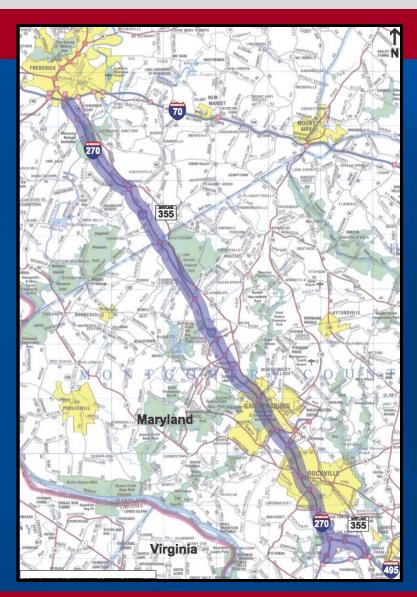
I-270 OVERVIEW & CONDITIONS



I-270



- Limits: I-495 to I-70
- Length: 34 miles including East and West Spurs
- Freeway built as US 240 between 1953 and 1960

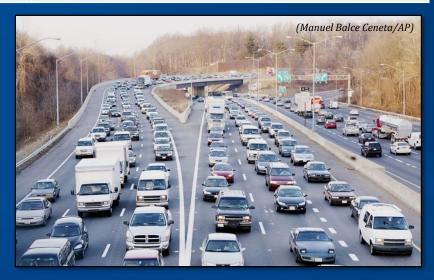


I-270



Section	Number of Lanes
I-270 East and West Spurs	6 lanes
Montrose Road to I-370 (SB)/MD 124 (NB)	12 lanes
MD 124 to MD 118	8 lanes
MD 118 to MD 121	6 lanes
MD 121 to I-70	4 lanes

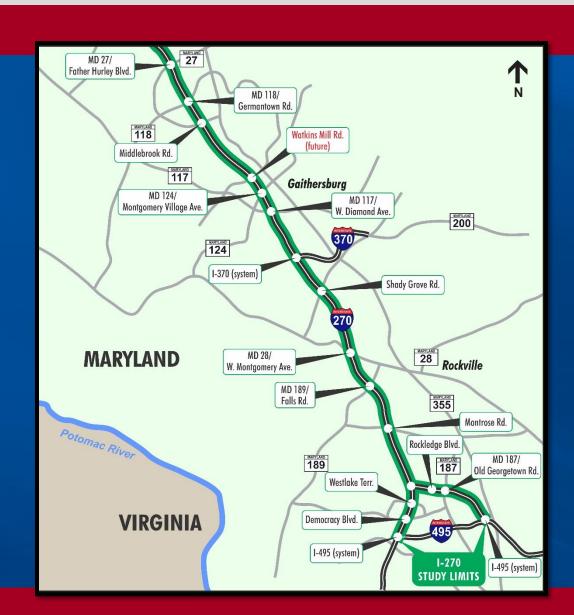




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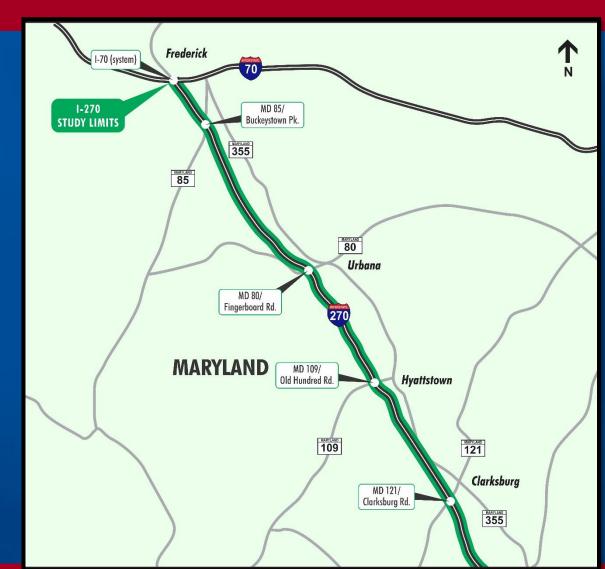
Interchanges (southern section)



I-270



Interchanges (northern section)





PREVIOUS STUDIES

Previous Studies



- I-495 /I-95 Capital Beltway Study
- I-270/US 15 Multi-Modal Corridor Study
- West Side Mobility Study
- American Legion Bridge Analysis
- I-270 Innovative Congestion Improvements
- I-270 Interchanges

Capital Beltway Study (I-495/I-95)



- Initiated study in 1990s
- Evaluated strategies to:
 - Improve regional mobility
 - Provide enhanced safety
 - Maximize travel operational efficiencies
 - Provide cost-effective infrastructure
 - Address travel demand
 - Support economic growth and environment
- Split into 2 studies with independent utility in early 2000s:
 - Capital Beltway
 - Purple Line

Capital Beltway Study (I-495/I-95)



- 42-mile study from American Legion Bridge to Woodrow Wilson Bridge
- 2 Build Alternatives:
 - 6 General Purpose Lanes &4 Express Toll Lanes
 - 8 General Purpose Lanes &2 Express Toll Lanes
- Completed Technical
 Studies for alternatives,
 traffic, and environment



I-270/US 15 Multi-Modal Corridor Study



- Initiated in 1995
- 31-mile-long study along I-270 and US 15 corridor from I-370 to north of Frederick, MD
- Split into 2 studies with independent utility in 2012:
 - Corridor Cities Transitway (CCT)
 - I-270 Multi-Modal



I-270/US 15 Multi-Modal Corridor Study



• Multiple documents:

- DEIS / Section 4(f) (2002)
- Alternatives Analysis / Environmental Assessment (AA/EA) (2009)
- Supplemental Environmental Assessment (2010) [CCT only]

• I-270 Alternatives

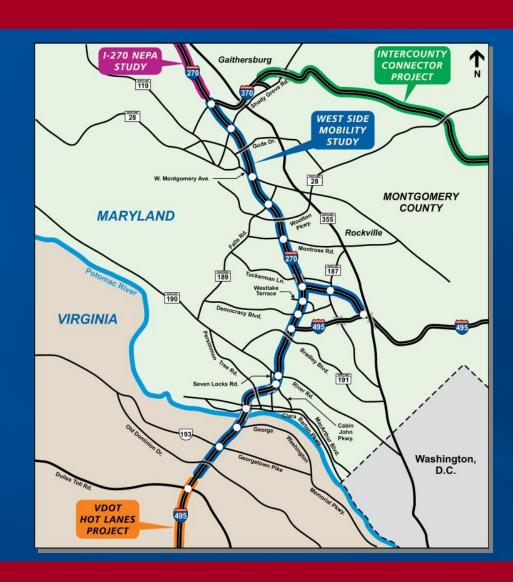
- DEIS Build Alternatives that included additional General Purpose, HOV lanes, and LRT/BRT
- AA/EA Included General Purpose,
 Express Toll Lanes (ETL), and
 LRT/BRT



West Side Mobility Study



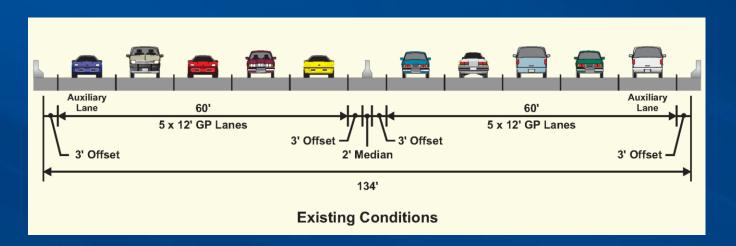
- Initiated in 2005 after Capital Beltway Study placed on hold
- 14-mile Study Area
- Evaluated improvements to:
 - Connect adjacent managed facilities under construction
 - Increase capacity
 - Improve traffic conditions
- Alternatives:
 - Add 1 or 2 managed lanes per direction
 - Provide managed lanes to connect VDOT Express Lanes to MD 200 / ICC



American Legion Bridge Analysis



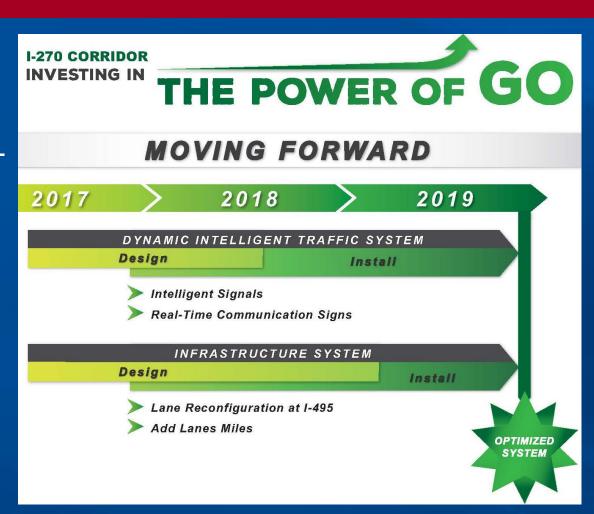
- Multiple feasibility studies conducted over past 15 years
- Existing typical section is 134 feet wide:
 - 10 lanes, 5 lanes per direction
 - 12-foot lanes, 3-foot shoulders
 - 5th lane in each direction is auxiliary lane connecting Clara Barton Parkway and George Washington Parkway



I-270 Innovative Congestion Improvements



- Progressive design-build contract
- Goal: reduce congestion and improve safety along I-270
- Construction has begun and will be completed by the end of 2019
- Estimated travel time benefits:
 - Reduce SB AM delay by 43%
 - Reduce NB PM delay by 8%



I-270 Innovative Congestion Improvements



- Improvements at spot locations implemented within existing ROW:
 - Addition of general purpose lanes
 - Addition/extension of auxiliary lanes
 - Corridor-wide, adaptive ramp metering
 - Active traffic management solutions

I-270 Interchanges



MD 85 Interchange Reconstruction

- Construction began November 2017
- Anticipated completion late 2020

New Interchange at Watkins Mill Road

- Construction began July 2017
- Anticipated completion Summer 2020

Current Activities



- Preparing for accelerated NEPA process
 - Continuing traffic analysis and development of draft alignment and footprint
 - Collecting engineering and environmental data
 - Initiating purpose and need
- Coordinating with USDOT, FHWA, federal and state regulatory agencies on NEPA approach for P3



NEPA APPROACH

NEPA Approach



Innovation, Creativity and Flexibility Focus Solutions:

Provides flexibility to use innovative contracting methods while minimizing or eliminating the need for re-evaluation of the environmental document.

Innovation, Creativity and Flexibility Focus Solutions



Striving to focus NEPA commitments on functionality within footprint

- Allows multiple solutions
 - Creative solution that meets performance requirements within conditions
- Reduces or eliminates the need for re-evaluation

Innovation, Creativity and Flexibility Focus Solutions



Selection of Preferred Alternate

- Emphasis on innovation and flexibility in the final solution
- Labeled as one feasible method of meeting project goals and operational benchmarks
- Flexible narrative built into the environmental documentation

Innovation, Creativity and Flexibility Focus Solutions



Environmental document focuses on the Preferred Alternate's footprint, environmental impacts, and ability to meet the project goals and operational benchmarks

- Improvements described generally
- Footprint and related impacts presented as focus of the document
- Described in terms of performance measures
- Flexibility narrative



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Next Steps
Lisa Choplin, P3 Project Director

Next Steps



- Continued P3 Industry Involvement
 - One-on-One Meetings in January 2018
 - Submit request to project email by <u>December 20</u>
- Solicit Program GEC
 - Interview teams
 - Qualification-based selection
- Planning Activities on I-495 and I-270
- Develop P3 solicitations and contract documents
- Approval process for P3 by MDOT and Maryland Board of Public Works

Multi-Phase Solicitation Process



- Request for Qualifications (RFQ)
- Request for Proposals (RFP)
 - Performance/Outcome Based Specifications
 - Confidential One-on-One Meetings
 - Industry Review/Comments (Proprietary or Public)
- Provisions for Discussions and Best and Final Offers

Stipends for shortlisted unsuccessful offerors

Schedule



2018

Issue Request for Qualifications
Issue Draft Request for Proposals (RFP)

2019

Issue Final RFP

Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)

Technical & Financial Proposals

2020

Selection/Commercial Close

Final EIS/Record of Decision

Financial Close

Project Information



 Additional information, including this presentation, can be found on the TRP site at, <u>www.MDTrafficReliefP3.com</u>

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