

Prince George's County Council

US 1 College Park Improvement Project

Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration (MDOT SHA)

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US 1 IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

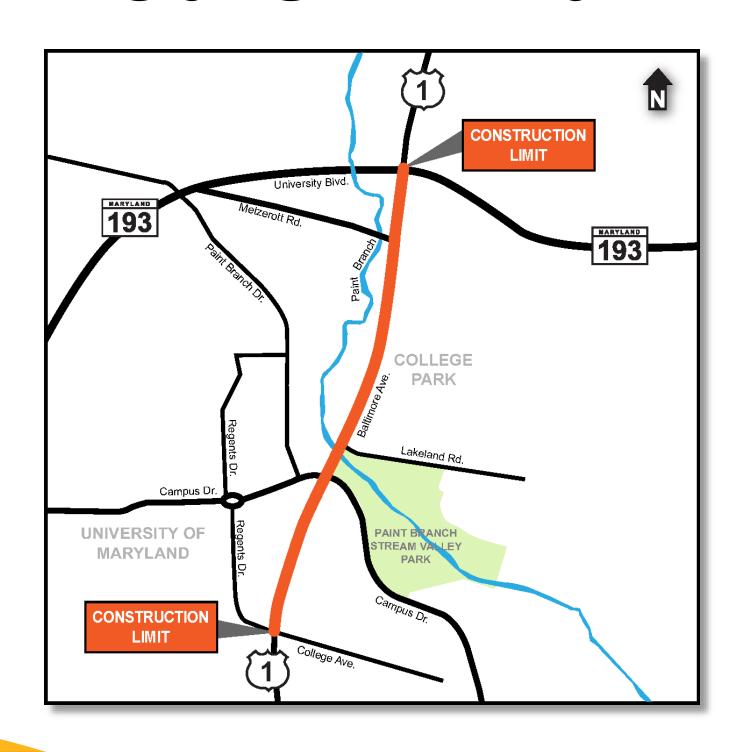


- One of Prince George's County's priority projects
- Improves safety and operations for motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians
- Supports revitalization and traffic relief
- Part of Governor Hogan's \$1.97 billion investment in highways and bridges
- US 1 is the gateway to the University of Maryland College Park
- \$29 million investment

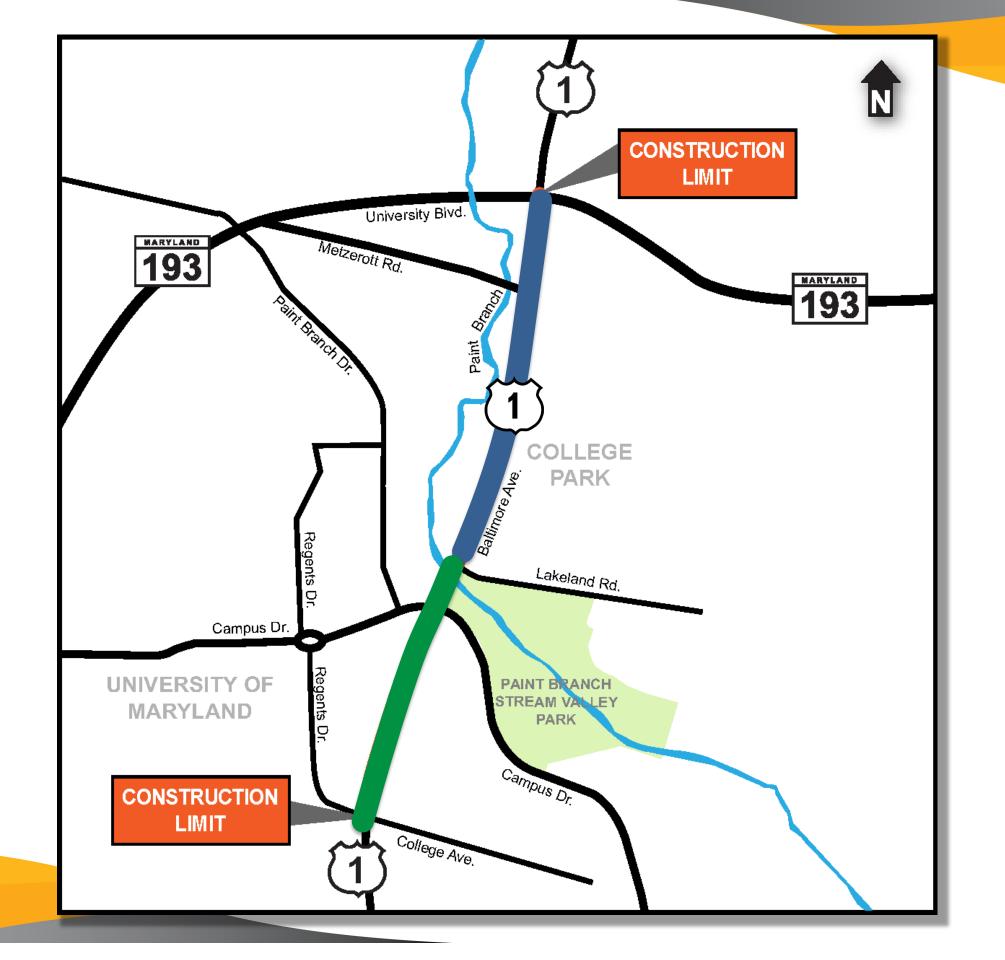


PROJECT LIMITS





1.4 miles of US 1 from College Avenue / Regents Drive to MD 193 (University Boulevard)





CONSTRUCTION

Southern Section

June 3, 2020 – Fall 2021: work in the southern section (College Ave. to Lakeland Rd.)

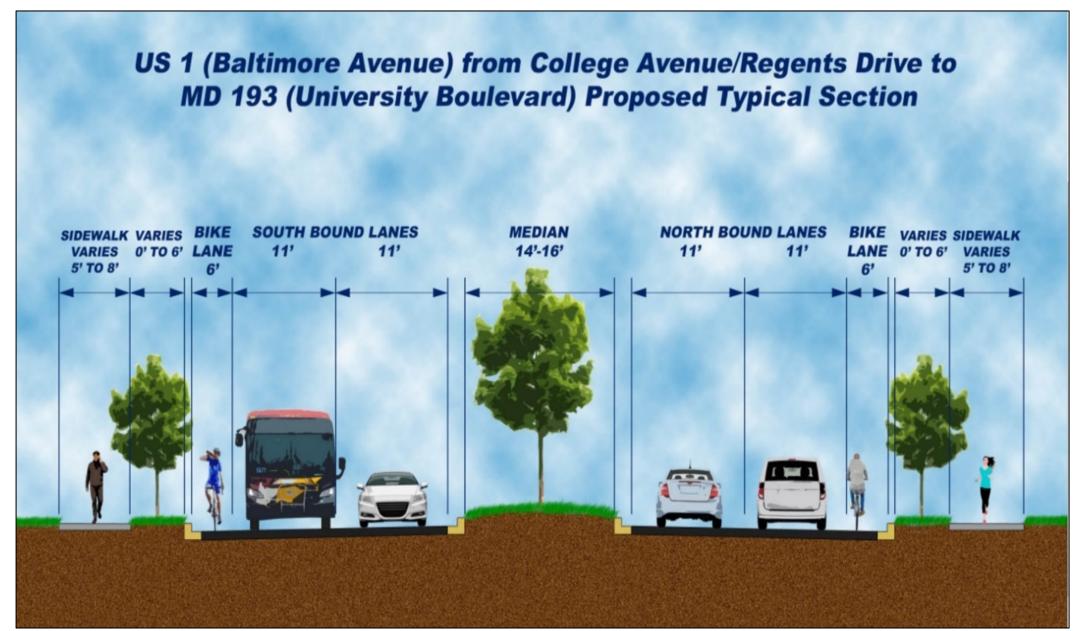
Northern Section

Fall 2021 – year-end 2023: work in the northern section (Lakeland Rd. to MD 193)



PLANNED IMPROVEMENTS





- Provide two lanes in both directions, auxiliary lanes that transition into turn lanes, and a raised median
- Adding intersection lighting
- Adding five-foot wide bicycle lanes on each side of US 1
- Improving sidewalks and crosswalk ramps to ADA compliance
- Upgrading drainage and stormwater management facilities and relocating utilities
- Resurfacing and landscaping
- Adding signage and pavement markings



EXPEDITED CONSTRUCTION

- Heard concerns about the duration of construction and coordinated with the City, the University, utilities, and the business community
- Shortened the project schedule by one year (now three years instead of four)
- Around-the-clock construction
- Temporary single or double lane closures will be in effect 24/7 on US 1 and on MD 193
- Work with UMD to minimize disruptions (sporting events, classes, etc.)
- Maintain pedestrian access



PUBLIC OUTREACH EFFORTS



- Online video to replace in-person meetings due to COVID-19
 - Posted on MDOT SHA Project Portal Page, roads.maryland.gov
 US 1 (Baltimore Ave) College Ave to MD 193 (University Blvd)
 and on YouTube
 - Advertised via postcard mailer, Washington Post ad, press release, traffic alert, social media, e-mails and phone calls
- Radio spots featuring Gary Williams
- Social media campaign
- Weekly construction updates
- Website updates
- On-campus outreach efforts



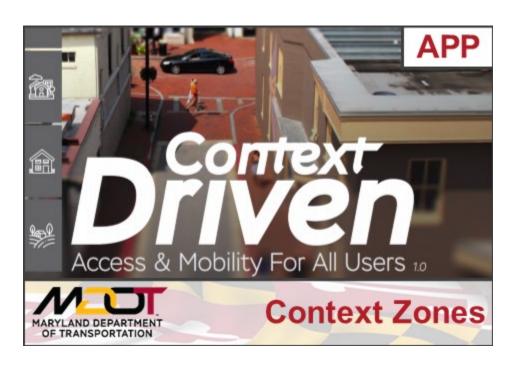
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CONTEXT-DRIVEN DESIGN SOLUTIONS

- One of the first states in the Nation to take a comprehensive approach to improve safety for all users
- New way of thinking goes beyond data and engineering
- Balanced solutions for all users and transportation modes
- Detailed overview of initiative on website
- US 1 will include dedicated bike lanes, continental crosswalks, raised median
- Corridor will be more walkable





THANK YOU!