



**NOTICE OF RENEW
BEL PRE WOODS PROJECT**

IMPORTANT! Lawn Sprinkler Systems and Invisible Dog Fences

If your home has either a buried lawn sprinkler system or invisible-type dog fence installed, please make sure that the system does not extend into the county right-of-way. If it does, please mark the locations of buried pipe or wire so that our equipment can attempt to avoid it. However, such systems are not permitted by the County Code to be located in the right-of-way and neither the County nor its contractors are responsible for any damage to any systems located there. If you do not know the locations, look in your phone book under UTILITIES, UNDERGROUND CABLE, PIPE AND WIRE LOCATING SERVICE.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION <i>Prior to starting work in your neighborhood, the Division of Highway Services will provide additional notice by placing temporary "NOTICE" signs at the major entrances to the neighborhood.</i> <i>As crews move through the neighborhood they will post temporary "NO PARKING" signs along the street in the area scheduled for construction. We appreciate your efforts to cooperate with the workers by parking in your driveway. If that is not convenient, or if the driveway apron is being replaced, please contact the Project Manager to make other arrangements.</i>	IMPORTANT MCDOT CONTACTS Project Manager Norman Smith 240-777-7650 Program Manager: John Birton 240-777-7616 DHS Email: mcdot.highway@montgomerycountymd.gov DHS Web site: www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot-highway/ MC311 Customer Service Center: 3-1-1 or 240-777-0311
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MCDOT NEWS

News from the Montgomery County Department of Transportation (MCDOT)
Division of Highway Services

BEL PRE WOODS ROADWAY REHABILITATION PROJECT

Project to Begin June 2016

PURPOSE

The Montgomery County Department of Transportation will begin a project to rehabilitate the pavement, curbs and sidewalks in the Bel Pre Woods community. This is a Capital funded project which employs long term strategies to rehabilitate, preserve and enhance the physical and operating conditions of the residential roadway system as it exists; and will ensure that the system is fully functional and serviceable for many years to come.

BACKGROUND

Thanks to the Capital Improvement Program, Rural & Residential Road Rehabilitation, sponsored by County Executive Isiah Leggett and supported by the County Council, the Department of Transportation (MCDOT) is pleased to announce an initiative to rehabilitate streets, curbs and sidewalks throughout well established and mature neighborhoods and roadways such as the ones in the Bel Pre Woods community.

Through the Pavement Management System, a comprehensive condition inventory of all County roads was de-

veloped, identifying and rating the condition of each pavement. Accordingly, MCDOT now develops County-wide resurfacing schedules based upon the objective rating system coupled with budgetary parameters.

Overall, the pavement in Bel Pre Woods was noted to be in need of rehabilitation and a good candidate for the County's Rural & Residential Road Rehabilitation Program.

For additional information about MCDOT's Highway Services Rehabilitation program please refer to:

http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/DOT-Highway/roadmaint/Pavement_Management/Residential/Rehab/RehabFY10.html

Should you have any questions concerning the Roadway Rehabilitation Project, please contact Project Manager, Norman Smith at 240-777-7650.

SCOPE OF PROJECT

The project replaces roadway pavement and ancillary elements such as curbs and sidewalks. Road drainage modifications are taken into consideration where there is no un-

derground drainage. The streets, sidewalks and curbs in the community have been inspected and evaluated, resulting in the planned work. The project will proceed according to the project work plan (noted below) which will include roadway patching, replacement of defective curb, gutter and sidewalks and resurfacing using hot mix asphalt (HMA).

The outcome will be a new surface for both streets and sidewalks. Residents will also enjoy the use of new driveway aprons should they elect to participate in the Driveway Apron Replacement Program, described on page 2 of this newsletter. The MCDOT has contracted with a private contractor to perform all related work. The contractor was selected through the public bidding process and has a proven track record of successfully completing similar work elsewhere in the county.

PROJECT WORK PLAN

Generally, the work will proceed as follows:

1. MCDOT Arborist inspects the trees within the construction zone and develops a tree protection plan to

ensure protection of trees during construction activities.

2. Tree Protection measures are installed within construction zones and staging areas.

3. MCDOT contractor removes and replaces existing curbs, gutters and sidewalks, and ensures all curb ramps comply with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards.

4. MCDOT contractor replaces existing driveway aprons of those residents taking advantage of the Apron Repair Program. (see page 2).

5. Prior to paving the streets, MCDOT contractor performs full depth pavement patching of the roadway to ensure and restore structural integrity, where needed.

6. The MCDOT contractor mills (grinds) several inches in depth of the old pavement for the full width of the roads, removing the old roadway surface and prepares for the new surface.

7. MCDOT contractor adjusts all surface utilities, including sewer and storm drain manholes, water valves and

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gas valves, and raises them to the new proposed grade. Temporary asphalt ramps will be placed pending final resurfacing.

8. MCDOT contractor paves the streets with hot mix asphalt.

SCHEDULE

The Bel Pre Woods Rehabilitation Project is scheduled to begin in the spring of 2016 and will take approximately **24 weeks** to complete. Please note that weather and other operational requirements may affect the schedule. Paving and concrete work cannot take place during the cold, winter months.

IMPACTS

All construction work will be scheduled between the hours of 7 am and 5 pm, Monday through Friday. However, the contractor will be permitted to work longer hours and on Saturdays, if necessary, to expedite the completion of the project.

During construction, temporary lane closures and daily parking restrictions will be required. During milling and paving, no on-street parking can be accommodated during daytime hours. Signs will be posted 48-hours in advance of such work and Traffic Control flaggers will manually direct traffic safely around the construction zones. Access to homes will be available at all times, although minor delays may be experienced as workers necessarily restrict traffic from active work zones or away from newly placed hot asphalt mats or wet concrete.

Normal work activities can best be characterized as noisy and disruptive. However, MCDOT will do its best to keep the site in good house-keeping order, keeping disruption to a minimum.

We apologize in advance for any unavoidable inconvenience this project may cause and appreciate your cooperation. MCDOT is confident that the residents of Bel Pre Woods will welcome the results of this program. If you have a special needs or medical condition that may be impacted by this project, please contact us and we will accommodate your needs.

ADDITIONAL PROJECT NOTES

Driveway aprons and Lead walks:

The sidewalk and curb replacement work will be performed by a private contractor under contract to the Department of Transportation. While our contractor is in your neighborhood performing repairs, you may want to take advantage of our popular **Driveway Apron and Lead walk Repair Program**.

The driveway apron is defined as that portion of the driveway that is within the public right-of-way, generally from the curb to the back edge of the sidewalk or to the property line. The lead walk is the sidewalk that leads from the edge of the road to your property line and usually connects to the sidewalk that leads to your front door.

Montgomery County is not responsible for maintaining your driveway apron or lead walk because those elements provide access to your home and benefits only the property

owner not the general public. County policy requires that the private property owner bear responsibility for the maintenance of the apron and associated drainage pipe, if present. The **Driveway Apron and Lead walk Repair Program** allows homeowners to take advantage of the county's competitively bid contract prices (public procurement process) to repair your existing driveway apron or lead walk.

When work begins in your neighborhood, an Inspector will evaluate your apron or lead walk to determine if its condition qualifies you to exercise the replacement option. The Inspector will then leave instructions at your door.

If you do not find a notice left at your door and you believe that your apron or lead walk should be replaced, you may request an Inspector to review the condition of your apron. Please contact the Inspector while crews are working in your neighborhood or call the Project Manager.

Driveway apron and lead walk services are provided by the contractor at the square foot unit price established by the competitive bid process. The Inspector will measure your driveway apron or lead walk and provide you with the estimated cost, based on both the square foot unit price and those measurements.

All work will be inspected by Montgomery County Department of Transportation inspection personnel.

Thank you for your cooperation and patience as we work to improve the county infrastructure for residents and users.



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