
October 24, 2025

Ms. Katie Wagner, P.E.
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Dear Ms. Wagner:

Thank you for the opportunity to review the **Fourth (4th) TIS Submittal (a Local Area Transportation Report – LATR, Revised TMP and associated materials)** prepared by **Gorove Slade Associates, Inc.**, revised October 17, 2025, and **submitted via direct e-mail on October 17, 2025**, for the **Holton Arms School's proposed enrollment increase project (SHA Tracking #24APMO041XX)** in Montgomery County, Maryland.

The State Highway Administration (SHA) review is complete, and we are pleased to respond.

- Proposed access to the 670-student school is via one (1) site access to River Road (MD 190).
- The following intersections were analyzed under existing, background and future conditions:
 - MD 190 intersection with SB I-495 (Outer Loop) Off-Ramp
 - MD 190 intersection with NB I-495 (Inner Loop) On-Ramp
 - MD 190 intersection with Burdette Road
 - MD 190 intersection with Royal Dominion Drive
 - MD 190 intersection with Beech Tree Road/Nevis Road
 - MD 190 intersection with Wilson Lane (MD 188)
 - Burdette Road intersection with Arrowood Road/Hillmead Road
- The report concludes that the recommended mitigation measures significantly reduce queues in the peak direction of commuter traffic flow (westbound) along River Road (MD-190) in the afternoon period

Based on the information provided, please address the following comments (if any) in a point-by-point response

Exhibit 44
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District 3 Traffic Engineering Team's Comments (by Alvin Powell):

District Traffic has completed its review of the Traffic Impact Study for the Holton Arms School project in Montgomery County. All District 3 Traffic comments have been adequately addressed.

We offer no further comments at this time.

If you have any questions, please contact Alvin Powell at apowell@primeeng.com

Travel Forecasting and Analysis Division (TFAD) Comments (by Scott Holcomb):

TFAD does not have any comments on the supplemental information for the TMP, Meeting Summary, and Supplemental Analysis Memo.

Please contact Mr. Scott Holcomb at: sholcomb@mdot.maryland.gov if you have any questions

Traffic Development & Support Division (TDSD) Comments (by Yeshitla Argaw):

TDSD has no further comments.

Please contact Mr. Scott Holcomb at: YArgaw@mdot.maryland.gov if you have any questions


The SHA concurs with the report findings for this project as currently proposed and will not require the submission of any additional traffic analyses. However, an access permit will be required for all construction within the SHA right of way. Please submit electronically (via our online system <https://mdotsha.force.com/accesspermit>) the proposed improvement plans (including a set of hydraulic plans and computations) and all supporting documentation to the Access Management Division. Please reference the SHA tracking number on any future submissions. Please keep in mind that you can view the reviewer and project status via SHA Access Management Division web page at <https://www.roads.maryland.gov/mdotsha/pages/amd.aspx>.

Please note, if this project has not obtained an SHA access permit and begun construction of the required improvements within five (5) years of this approval, extension of the permit shall be subject to the submission of an updated traffic impact analysis in order for SHA to determine whether the proposed improvements remain valid or if additional improvements will be required of the development.

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If you have any questions, or require additional information, please contact Mr. Kwesi Woodroffe at 301-513-7347, by using our toll-free number in Maryland only at 1-800-876-4742 (x7347) or via email at kwoodroffe@mdot.maryland.gov or shaamdpermits@mdot.maryland.gov.

Sincerely,



for Derek Gunn, P.E.
District Engineer, SHA - District 3

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