

MD 187 (Old Georgetown Road) Intersection Reconstruction Project South of Center Drive to North of West Cedar Lane/Oakmont Avenue

PRELIMINARY PROJECT ACTIVITY BEGINS 3/16

Beginning Monday, March 16 (weather permitting), the State Highway Administration (SHA) will begin preliminary project activity related to the \$3.35 million MD 187 (Old Georgetown Road) intersection reconstruction project South of Center Drive to North of West Cedar Lane/Oakmont Avenue in Bethesda, Montgomery County. Weather permitting, the project should be complete by late summer 2016.

This project extends from 400 feet north of the intersection to 800 feet south on MD 187 and approximately 500 feet east from the intersection on West Cedar Lane. Major work includes realignment and widening on MD 187, widening on West Cedar Lane to add a westbound right-turn lane, new signalization at the MD 187 intersection with Oakmont Avenue and West Cedar Lane and with Center Drive.

Preliminary construction activity includes removal of some trees within the work zone prior to the start of construction necessary to perform the intersection reconstruction. SHA will replace trees removed at the start of the project as part of the project's landscaping plan at the end of the project. SHA will provide updates regarding additional project activity as consistently warmer temperatures return this spring. SHA will conduct full outreach regarding the project as work progresses.

Other work will consist of grinding, resurfacing, wedge/leveling and pavement surface profile adjustments, bus pad construction, reconstruction of curb and gutter, medians, sidewalks, ramps, new storm drain systems, utility relocations, and the construction of a concrete shared use path, traffic signal reconstruction and new signage. All resurfacing activity is currently scheduled to take place at the end of the project in 2016, weather permitting.

SHA asks for your patience throughout all phases of construction. Residents and travelers are advised that equipment used for construction can be loud and disruptive.

TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES

To complete all phases of work, crews are permitted to temporarily traffic lanes on MD 187:

- **Northbound**—One lane, weekdays 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. and two lanes, overnight, Sunday through Thursday, 9 p.m. to 7 a.m.
- **Southbound**—One lane, weekdays, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and two lanes, overnight, Sunday through Thursday, 8 p.m. to 6 a.m.

Crews are also permitted to close a single traffic lane in either direction of the east/west portion West Cedar Lane/Oakmont Avenue:

- Weekdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and overnight, Sunday through Thursday, 7 p.m. to 7 a.m.
- Weekends, up to 24 hours a day

QUESTIONS

The following SHA representatives are available to answer questions regarding work on this MD 187 project:

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