OVERNIGHT WORK AUGUST 26 FROM 7 PM TO 5 AM

The Maryland Department of Transportation’s State Highway Administration (SHA) is continuing construction on its $10.5 million intersection reconstruction project on MD 355 (Rockville Pike) at the Cedar Lane/West Cedar Lane intersection in Bethesda, Montgomery County. Weather permitting, the project should be complete next fall.

To prepare for upcoming construction of a hiker/biker trail while simultaneously maintaining bicycle, pedestrian and vehicular traffic (weather permitting), crews will shift traffic lanes and apply new pavement markings on westbound Cedar Lane from Elmhirst Parkway to MD 355:

- **Overnight, Wednesday, August 26 from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m.**

Residents and travelers are advised that equipment used for construction can be loud and disruptive. Once the overnight lane shifts and pavement marking work on Cedar Lane is complete, the current traffic pattern of one through lane on westbound Cedar Lane from Elmhirst Parkway to MD 355 will be replaced with a new traffic pattern of two through lanes on westbound MD 355 from Elmhirst Parkway to MD 355.

Pedestrians, bicyclists, pedestrians and motorists should prepare for the new traffic pattern. Pedestrian and bicycle traffic will be maintained during all phases of construction, however; these sidewalk and road users may be directed to the safest crossings inside the work zone including those on the opposite side of the street until the project is complete. The left turn restriction from northbound MD 355 onto West Cedar Lane that began earlier this year remains in effect through the end of the project next year. Motorists should plan ahead and allow extra commute time in this busy area through all phases of construction. To expedite all remaining phases of work through the end of the project in 2016, crews may continue to temporarily close one lane in both directions of Cedar Lane and West Cedar Lane:

- **Monday through Friday, 12 midnight to 7 a.m., 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday up to 24 hours a day**

Additionally, crews may also temporarily close lanes on MD 355:

- **Northbound**—One lane, weekdays, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. and overnight Sunday through Thursday 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. and two lanes, overnight, Sunday through Thursday, 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. and one or two lanes, on weekends up to 24 hours a day

- **Southbound**—One lane, weekdays, 9 p.m. to 3 p.m., two lanes overnight, Sunday through Thursday, 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. and one or two lanes on weekends up to 24 hours a day

Other lane closures not inclusive of the times above may be necessary to complete emergency and non-emergency activity work. Whenever possible, SHA will continue advanced notification of upcoming changes in work phases and traffic pattern to the community at-large.

QUESTIONS

The following SHA representatives are available to answer questions regarding work on this MD 355 intersection reconstruction project:

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