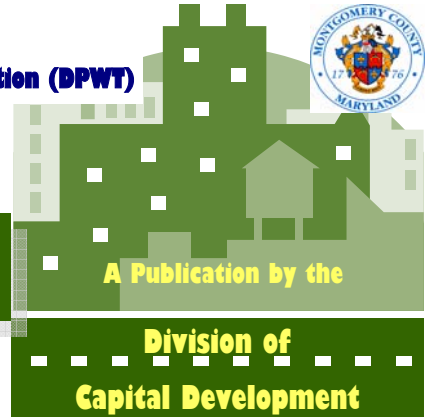


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# THE PLAN AHEAD

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**Division of  
Capital Development**

## Midcounty Highway/Middlebrook Road

### PROJECT OVERVIEW

This project provides for facility planning of Midcounty Highway from Montgomery Village Avenue to Rte. 27, and Middlebrook Road from Rte. 355 to Midcounty Highway for a combined length of approximately 6 miles.

**Midcounty Highway** is listed as M-83 in the 1989 Germantown Master Plan and the 1985 Gaithersburg Vicinity Master Plan; a 6 lane major divided highway within a 150-foot right-of-way. The road would provide a connection from Germantown and Gaithersburg to other towns in the region, and for local access.

The proposed **Middlebrook** widening is the last link that will complete this 6 lane major highway, connecting Father Hurley Blvd. with Midcounty Highway. All the other pieces of this road are complete (full width) in accordance with the Germantown Master Plan.

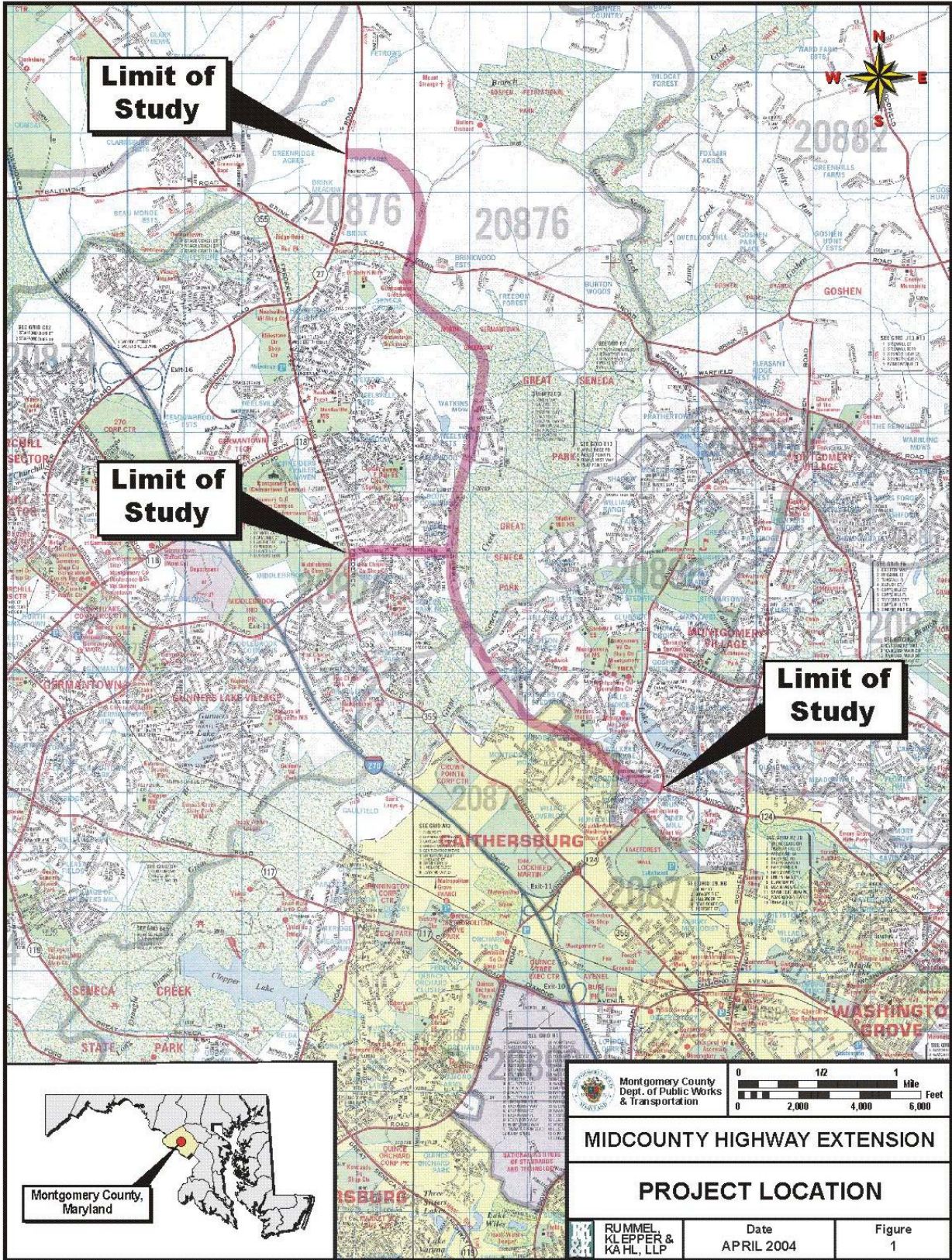
The Montgomery County Council has only funded Phase I Facility Planning (Concept Plan). *Once Phase I is complete, they will review it to determine whether or not to fund Facility Planning Phase II (Preliminary Plan).*



View north towards Watkins Meadow Drive

### IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

You may see surveyors and noise and traffic technicians in your neighborhood during the next few months. Our consultants are Rummel, Klepper & Kahl (RK&K), and A. Morton Thomas and Associates. Be on the lookout for trucks bearing the **RK&K**, **A. Morton Thomas** or **Montgomery County** logo. When you see them you'll know we're on the job to ease congestion in Montgomery County!



**LOCATION MAP**

## COORDINATION

The project **team** includes representatives from:

- *Montgomery County Dept. of Public Works and Transportation (DPWT)*
- *Montgomery County Dept. of Permitting Services*
- *City of Gaithersburg*
- *Maryland State Highway Administration*
- *Md.-National Capital Park and Planning Commission*
- *US Army Corps of Engineers*

The team meets regularly with staff from various state, local, and federal environmental permitting agencies to ensure all concepts will be in conformance with environmental regulations.

**Public** coordination-we will be holding several public workshops to solicit your ideas and comments. Suggestions made by citizens are frequently incorporated into the concept plans. The workshop dates and times will be announced in future newsletters.



View south towards Germantown Rd./Watkins Mill Rd. intersection.

## WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

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**SUMMER 2004**  
 Complete Environmental Site Assessment, Purpose and Need Report and Traffic Study.
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**FALL 2004**  
 Purpose and Need Workshop.

Be on the lookout for  
 future newsletters!

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## WHO IS RECEIVING THIS NEWSLETTER

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## **MIDCOUNTY HIGHWAY/MIDDLEBROOK ROAD**

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### **Division of Capital Development (DCD)**

The Division of Capital Development (DCD) is responsible for planning, engineering, and constructing Montgomery County's infrastructure to the highest safety and performance standards possible while paying close attention to citizen's input, environmental and economic concerns.

DCD employs over 100 people with varying skills & backgrounds. DCD is responsible for more than 2000 miles of primary & secondary roads, over 253 bridges, and numerous building facilities.

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