Redland Road Bridge No. M-0056 - Public Hearing Online Comments

First Name:	Last Name:	Address:	Your comments on this project:
Judy	Levy-Stutsky	17113 Founders Mill Drive, Derwood, MD	I don't see any mention of there being an width expansion to safely allow pedestrians to cross this bridge. This has always been a problem and danger, especially when work trucks, dump trucks and school buses use this bridge. (It's actually pretty scary for those of us in regular cars too! Distracted truck drivers do happen.) This is also the reason our neighborhood has never voted to put in sidewalks. We can't safely walk or bike to the metro station without going to the other end of our neighborhood and using Shady Grove Road. So we drive to wherever we're going. AND now on Saturdays, we could walk to the farmer's market at the Neighborhood Church if there was a safe way to walk there with our wagon. But not crossing that bridge as it is now.
William	Wall	7708 White Cliff Terrace	This bridge must have space for pedestrians and cyclists.
Paul	Barton	16533 Baederwood Lane, Derwood	 The project schedule does not indicate construction duration. How long will the bridge be closed to traffic? What is the official detour route while the bridge is closed? The Metro Access Road should be the detour route rather than Briardale Road or Baederwood Lane. What steps will be taken to minimize the impact of the extra traffic that will use Briardale Road and Baederwood Lane regardless of the official detour route? The new bridge must be wide enough to allow sidewalks on both sides of the bridge. Because of the increased traffic on Baederwood Lane, the Baederwood Lane sidewalk must be completed to Redland Road before the bridge project starts.
Anne	Cardile	7705 Ironforge Court	This is a crucial opportunity to add pedestrian and bicycle safe access to one of the most perilous points of Redland Road. Is this part of the work plan?
John	Kitchen	7509 Julia Terrace, Derwood, MD 20855	Traffic Detour Concerns During Construction * Hearing presentation document showed detour route during project to be along Redland to Crabbs Branch Road to Shady Grove Road and vice versa. * County must make efforts to limit commuter traffic flow through Parkside Estates neighborhood as excess commuter traffic and at too high rates of speed would be dangerous and congesting for the neighborhood, including numerous children that wait for and catch school buses, etc. * Morning: Make it "No Left Turn" at traffic signal at Shady Grove Road – Briardale Road for traffic traveling SW on Shady Grove Road from 6 am to 10 am Monday – Friday. The left turn arrow could just be permanently red during that time, along with a sign posted. * Evening: Left turn from Redland Rd. onto Baederwood Lane and/or Briardale Road should be for local residents only from 2 pm to 7 pm. County police regular enforcement would need to occur. * Significant and regular spaced speed bumps placed on Briardale and Baederwood lanes. Traffic Concerns post Bridge Replacement * Traffic On Redland Road traveling SW is currently already often traveling well in excess of speed limit coming up out of the bottom where the old bridge is currently. With a replaced bridge and improved road surface and width in that area, traffic would like travel even faster. Regular enforcement of speed limit is needed, including by County Police or by speed camera.
Jonathan	Kruft		Would like to see the small and unmarked parking area for the trail head addressed. Expand the parking area, include signage for both parking and trailhead access

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[EXTERNAL EMAIL]

Dear Angel Cheng,

I realize the public comment period closed last month for this design portion of the project but I wanted to send this for your consideration.

As a Redland resident in the area of this project, I travel that stretch of Redland Road frequently. There is a serious need for a sidewalk along this stretch of Redland Road that would connect the current sidewalk at Redland Road/Briardale Road with the sidewalk in front of the Shady Grove Presbyterian Church (on Redland Road) approximately 50 yards north of the Redland bridge replacement project.

I realize that the Redland Road Bridge project may not include funding for this quarter-mile stretch of new sidewalk, but I am hoping that the new bridge could at least accommodate a possible future sidewalk. If and when the Redland Road sidewalk is connected from Briardale Road to the sidewalk in front of the Shady Grove Presbyterian Church, it would have to traverse the Redland Road bridge. It would be best, and most cost-effective, to accommodate that future sidewalk now as part of the Redland Bridge project.

Please accept this request to accommodate a future sidewalk as part of the planned Redland Road Bridge project over Mill Creek.

I look forward to your reply.

I can be reached at 202-744-8034 at your convenience to discuss this matter further or to visit the site with you.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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