



### **Welcome to White Flint West Project News!**

White Flint West Project News is an email distribution list that provides frequent updates on the White Flint West project on a regular basis. The purpose of this distribution list is to provide updates on the current and future construction activities of the project as the project progresses. Project updates can also be found on the MCDOT Twitter feed, @MoCoDTE #WhiteFlintWest and <http://www.whiteflintproject.com>.

**Construction activities anticipated for the next month beginning January 3, 2021.**

**White Flint West Project News begins New Year 2021 with the following reminders:**

- **Executive Boulevard between Old Georgetown Road and Grand Park Avenue at Bethesda North Marriott Hotel and Conference Center is permanently closed; look for the "DETOUR" signs that are rerouting traffic.**

- Corman Kokosing Construction Company presently uses the closed section of Executive Boulevard as a material and equipment staging area--entering the closed section either as a pedestrian or by vehicle should be avoided.
- No access to Old Georgetown Road exists from north/westbound Executive Boulevard after Marinelli Road/Bethesda North Marriott Hotel & Conference Center.
- A right turn on Banneker Avenue from northbound Grand Park Avenue only leads to the Marriott Hotel back parking and loading areas.
- Access to Old Georgetown Road will resume once Corman Kokosing Construction Co. completes the new section of Grand Park Avenue from Banneker Avenue to Old Georgetown Road—tentatively scheduled for completion by late April 2021.
- Although the proposed section of Grand Park Avenue may look “complete,” it is not; Corman crews, as well as their subcontractors, will continue to complete crucial tasks including installation of sidewalks, new light posts, and signalization before they officially open the road.
- Because of ongoing construction with large trucks and pieces of heavy equipment traversing the area, pedestrians SHOULD NOT use this partially completed section of Grand Park Avenue to get to Pike & Rose; they should instead continue to use the established pedestrian and bicycle pathway! Look for updates regarding progress on Grand Park Avenue.
- Starting at the T-Mobile entrance, Corman has closed the northbound right lane of Old Georgetown Road up through the front of the VOB property. Concrete “Jersey barriers” closing the lane will remain there until Corman completes the Grand Park Avenue extension.
- As a result of this closure and the barriers, as of September 2, 2020, MCDOT Transit has moved the Ride-On Bus Stop and sign, once located in front of the old VOB Nissan Dealership showroom parking lot, 150’ to the east; the Ride-On Stop is now located past the old Dealership entrance. With the change, the stop is now ADA compliant, accessible to the pedestrian/bike pathway, and out of the way of any construction.
- As a final reminder, all nighttime construction operations have been suspended. The contractor will provide a seven-day notice before they resume nighttime operations. Look for any future updates regarding night work, especially if the overnight work involves a temporary utility shut-off.

Corman Kokosing under the Construction Management at Risk (CMAR) contract proceeds with other work on Executive Boulevard, Old Georgetown Road, and Towne Road as well as the extension of Banneker Avenue. Banneker Avenue will cut across the Gables parking lot and eventually tie into Old Georgetown Road just north of the M-NCPPC Aquatic Center rear service entrance. During this period, Corman Crews as well as their sub-contractors will complete some of the following tasks as they begin to build out the Banneker Avenue extension: Excavation and grading in the southeast corner Right-of-Way (ROW) at the intersection of Executive Boulevard and Old Georgetown Road.

- Installation of new storm drain structures and pipeline.
- Upgrading of Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) infrastructure with the installation of new ten (10) inch water and sewer lines.

The WSSC upgrades will be completed by Anchor Construction, a Corman sub-contractor, under WSSC Contract “C.” Future updates will provide progress on Banneker Avenue construction.

Over the next month, Verizon crews will continue with their cable/wire splicing and other telecom work along Towne Road. Verizon linemen and technicians in multiple vehicles will continue to install overhead cable and work in manholes in that project area. Verizon should complete all their work on Towne Road by Spring 2021, weather

permitting. In addition, look for Verizon crews working in other parts of the White Flint West project area including on Banneker Avenue, Executive Boulevard and Old Georgetown Road. Keep an eye out for their own lane closures and flagging operations as they are separate from Corman Kokosing and affiliated sub-contractor's construction operations.

Anchor Construction, a Corman-Kokosing subcontractor, continues with their PEPCO related work in the northbound lanes of Old Georgetown Road between Executive Boulevard and Grand Park Avenue. During this period, a second Anchor crew will return to Old Georgetown Road between Nicholson/Tilden Lanes and Executive Boulevard to also complete PEPCO related work. With all of this activity, please be patient with their lane closures and subsequent delays on both Executive Boulevard and Old Georgetown Road. At any time during the day, all ongoing work could reduce northbound and southbound traffic on Old Georgetown Road to a single drive lane between Rockville Pike (MD 355) and Nicholson/Tilden Lanes. If you can avoid these sections of Old Georgetown Road and Executive Boulevard, you may wish to do so.

Corman Kokosing crews continue with their storm drain work on the Guardian Property at 6000 Executive Boulevard as well as other locations on Old Georgetown Road between Nicholson/Tilden Lanes and Executive Boulevard. All of this storm drain work proceeds unabated over the next month, weather permitting. The Crew on the Guardian property will spend the period fabricating a large drainage structure. Eventually their storm drain work will intrude into the southbound lanes of Old Georgetown Road as well as the closed portion of Executive Boulevard. A second Corman Kokosing crew is presently excavating for and placing large drainage structures and storm water drain line inside the "Jersey Barrier" walls in the middle lanes of Old Georgetown Road south of the Executive Boulevard. That work is in its early stages and will continue for the next half year. A third Corman pipe/storm drain crew will continue to excavate and place drain pipe and manhole structures in the southbound and northbound lanes of Old Georgetown Road between the Nicholson/Tilden intersection and Executive Boulevard. Look for future updates regarding this work.

Beginning this period, a Corman crew will start excavating in the ROW on Towne Road. The crew will focus on their digging in the ROW on west side of the road and southwest of the cul-de-sac. Therefore, parking is still not permitted on either side of Towne Road, or in the cul-de-sac, especially with the uptick in construction activities. Violators will be subject to citations; violators impeding the construction will be towed.

In these active work zones, be sure to look for the orange warning signs, cones and arrow panels, and flaggers! Please pay attention to any temporary road closure(s), look for steel roadway plates, expect probable driving delays, and look for possible pedestrian detours as the multiple contractors conduct these ongoing field operations. White Flint West Project News will update all construction activities.

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