

March 2024 Public Comment Opportunity
Draft Regionally Significant for Air Quality Project Details

**Clopper Road (MD 117) from west of
Game Preserve Road to I-270
Interchange Improvements**

CE1203

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Title	MD 117 Corridor
Project ID	CE1203
Lead Agency	Maryland Department of Transportation - State Highway Administration

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PROJECT INFORMATION

Route/Facility Name	MD 117 (Clopper Road)
From	I-270
To	West of Game Preserve Road
Primary Project Type	Road - Add Capacity/Widening
County	Montgomery
Municipality	
Accommodations	Included
Complete Street Advance	Advances Goals
Primary Contact	Dave Phillips
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Project Information URL	
Project Description	Upgrade MD 117 from West of Game Preserve Road to I-270, including reconstruction of intersections at Bureau Drive, MD 124, Firstfield Road, Metropolitan Grove Road/Twelve Oaks Drive, Watkins Mill Road/Pleasant Run Drive, and Longdraft Road to improve traffic operations.

SCHEDULE AND FUNDING INFORMATION

Estimated Project Completion Date	2035
Current Implementation Status	No Project Activity
Total Project Cost	\$78,600,000.00

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CONFORMITY INFORMATION

Con Id	Improvement Type	Location Type	Facility	From	To	Projected Complete
921	Reconstruct	Road Segment	MD 117/Clopper Road	Metropolitan Grove Road	West of Game Preserve Road	2035

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115	Construct/Widen	Road Segment	MD 117/Clopper Road	I 270	Metropolitan Grove Road	2030

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW INFORMATION

Environmental Document Type Environmental Assessment

Environmental Review Status Approved

- This project has been identified for the following potential environmental mitigation activities.
Air Quality, Surface Water

REGIONAL POLICY QUESTION RESPONSES

- 32a. This project promotes non-auto travel or can be expected to reduce VMT in the region.
- 32b. Please identify all travel mode options that this project promotes, enhances, or supports.
- **Carpool/HOV**
 - **Express/Commuter Bus**
 - **Local Bus**
 - **Metrobus**
 - **Single Driver**
33. This project improves accessibility for historically transportation-disadvantaged individuals (i.e., persons with disabilities, low-incomes, and/or limited English proficiency)
- 34a. This project is physically located in an Equity Emphasis Area (EEA)

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- 34b. Please provide additional written information that describes how this project further supports or advances equity as described by the TPB July 2020 resolution.
The project traverses various Equity Emphasis Areas and aides in the connection to employment centers.
- 35a. This project begins or ends in an Activity Center.
- 35b. This project connects two or more Activity Centers.
- 35c. This project promotes non-auto travel within one or more Activity Centers.
- 35d. This project connects an Equity Emphasis Area to an Activity Center.
36. This project contributes to enhanced system maintenance or preservation.
37. This project is primarily designed to reduce travel time on highways and/or transit without building new capacity (e.g., ITS, bus priority treatments, etc.).
38. This project expected to significantly reduce fatalities or injuries among motorists, transit users, pedestrians, and/or bicyclists.
39. This project is expected to contribute to reductions in emissions of criteria pollutants, specifically, to attainment of ozone levels consistent with the National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS).
- 40a. This project is expected to contribute to reductions in emissions of greenhouse gases by 50% below 2005 levels by 2030.
- 40b. If the answer to question 40a. regarding contributing to greenhouse gas emission reductions was yes, then how is this project anticipated to reduce emissions?
41. This project enhances, supports, or promotes the following freight carrier modes.
- **Local Delivery**
42. This project enhances, supports, or promotes the following passenger carrier modes.
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43. Please check each strategy that is implemented by this project.
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- 44a. Please provide additional written information that describes how this project further supports or advances the TPB Strategies.
- 44b. Please provide additional written information that describes how this project further supports or advances other regional goals or needs.
45. Federal Planning Factors: This project supports the following planning factors (select all that apply)
- **Enhance the integration and connectivity of the transportation system across and between modes for people and freight**
 - **Increase accessibility and mobility of people**
 - **Increase the safety of the transportation system for all motorized and non-motorized users**
 - **Promote efficient system management and operation**
 - **Support the economic vitality of the metropolitan area especially by enabling global competitiveness productivity and efficiency**