

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

I-70 Widening: Mt. Phillips Road to west of I-270

CE1187

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Title	I-70/US 40 Corridor
Project ID	CE1187
Lead Agency	Maryland Department of Transportation - State Highway Administration



PROJECT INFORMATION

Route/Facility Name	I 70/Dwight D. Eisenhower Highway
From	Mount Phillips Road
To	West of I-270
Primary Project Type	Road - Add Capacity/Widening
County	Frederick
Municipality	City of Frederick
Accommodations	Not Applicable
Complete Street Advance	Not Applicable
Primary Contact	Jeff Davis
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Project Information URL	N/A
Project Description	<p>This project includes one remaining phase of I-70 upgrades:</p> <p>Phase 4 (design on hold 2007) - Widening of I-70 from Mount Phillip Road to west of I-270.</p>

SCHEDULE AND FUNDING INFORMATION

Estimated Project Completion Date	2035
Current Implementation Status	No Project Activity
Total Project Cost	\$124,500,000.00

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW INFORMATION

Environmental Document Type	Finding of No Significant Impact
Environmental Review Status	Approved

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This project has been identified for the following potential environmental mitigation activities.

Geology, Soils and Groundwater

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.
- **Express/Commuter Bus**
 - **Local Bus**
 - **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)
- 34b. Please provide additional written information that describes how this project further supports or advances equity as described by the TPB July 2020 resolution.
- This highway project will help advance equity by reducing travel times to and from jobs for all users (including low income and minority populations) by creating a more efficient transportation corridor. The segment has regional significance in providing the only interstate highway link between the Baltimore/Washington Region and points west to Pittsburgh,**
- 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).

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- 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**
 - **Long-Haul Truck**
42. This project enhances, supports, or promotes the following passenger carrier modes.
- **Intercity Bus**
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)
- **Emphasize the preservation of the existing transportation system**
 - **Enhance travel and tourism**
 - **Improve resiliency and reliability of the transportation system and reduce or mitigate stormwater impacts of surface transportation**
 - **Increase accessibility and mobility of 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**