



## PROJECT NEWSLETTER • SPRING 2016

### Urban Reconstruction Project Moves Forward; Public Meeting Scheduled

The Maryland Department of Transportation's State Highway Administration (SHA) invites you to attend an informational public meeting about the MD 851 (Main Street/Springfield Avenue) Urban Reconstruction project in Sykesville, Carroll County. The purpose of this project is to improve drainage, rehabilitate pavement, and create accessibility for pedestrians and bicyclists. The project is approximately one mile long and extends from River Road to Third Avenue.

**For additional information, you are invited to attend a Public Meeting on Wednesday, May 25, 2016, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.** The informational meeting will acquaint the public with the project and provide attendees an opportunity to discuss project details. Display areas will depict the proposed improvements, and SHA representatives will be available to answer project-related questions. **A brief presentation will begin at 7:15 p.m.** You may arrive at any time during meeting hours and walk through the display area at your own pace.

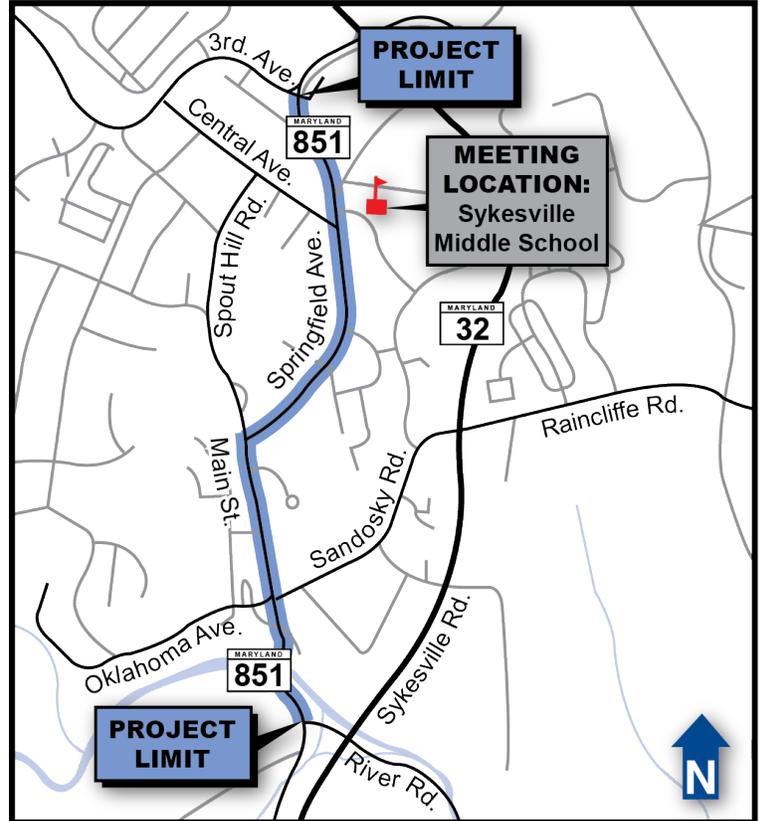
### What will the work involve?

- Constructing a sidewalk along both sides of MD 851 from River Road to Third Avenue
- Realigning West Friendship Road south of the bridge over the Patapsco River to create a more gradual curve
- Replacing the bridge over the Patapsco River
- Constructing on-street parking at several locations along Springfield Avenue
- Creating a paved gathering area approximately 100 feet by 10 feet in front of the Town House
- Resurfacing pavement throughout the project limits
- Installing stormwater management facilities and drainage features throughout the project limits
- Relocating utilities
- Upgrading traffic signs throughout the project limits

### Your Opinion Matters!

This meeting will offer an opportunity to provide verbal or written comments that will be taken into consideration to make final decisions about the following design aspects requested by town representatives:

- 1. Making Oklahoma Avenue a one-way street going west** – The current intersection of Oklahoma Avenue and MD 851 (Main Street) does not meet minimum sight distance requirements. Only allowing turns onto Oklahoma Avenue eliminates this safety hazard. Vehicles will still be able to use Baldwin Drive or Church Street to access MD 851 (Main Street).
- 2. Potential reconfiguration of Cooper Drive and/or Warfield Road** – The intersections of Cooper Drive and Warfield Road with MD 851 (Springfield Avenue) may be reconfigured to help better delineate the pathway for pedestrians and vehicular traffic.



### For More Information

For additional information on this project, please visit SHA's website at [www.roads.maryland.gov](http://www.roads.maryland.gov) and click on **Projects, SHA Projects Page, Carroll County, MD 851, Main Street**. You may also contact:

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### Request for Assistance

The Maryland Relay Service can assist teletype users at 7-1-1. Persons requiring assistance to participate (interpreter for hearing/speech difficulties or assistance with the English language) should contact Mr. Chad Thornton by May 18, 2016.





WHEN:	WHERE:
<p>Wednesday, May 25, 2016</p> <p>7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.</p> <p>A brief presentation will begin at 7:15 p.m.</p>	<p>Sykesville Middle School</p> <p>7301 Springfield Avenue Sykesville, MD 21784</p>

Attend the Public Meeting!

DETAILS INSIDE

SHA appreciates the patience and cooperation of the community and apologizes for any inconvenience. SHA reminds motorists to "Think Orange" when driving through work zones by staying alert and slowing down. Always buckle up, and please drive safely.

Larry Hogan, Governor | Boyd K. Rutherford, Lt. Governor | Pete K. Rahn, Secretary | Gregory C. Johnson, P.E., Administrator

