

# CONSTRUCTION ANNOUNCEMENT

## BRIDGE REHABILITATION

### MD 77 Bridge over the Monocacy River

PROJECT UPDATE • SPRING 2016

#### Bridge Rehabilitation Planned; Temporary Road Closure Begins Late June

The Maryland Department of Transportation's State Highway Administration (SHA) will begin a bridge rehabilitation project this summer on the MD 77 (Rocky Ridge Road) bridge over the Monocacy River in Rocky Ridge, Frederick County. The project will replace the riding surface and make structural repairs to improve safety. Construction is scheduled to begin on or about June 21 and last through late-August. Traffic will be directed to use a 23-mile detour during the construction closure.

#### Questions and Answers

##### Why is the work necessary?

Constructed in 1932, the bridge over Monocacy River is structurally safe for travel but in need of repair to extend its service life. The work to be performed will include:

- Resurfacing the concrete riding surface
- Painting the steel truss (supporting framework)
- Repairing the concrete supports

Rehabilitating the bridge will reduce maintenance costs and support the safety and mobility of motorists. The project is part of SHA's bridge system preservation program, which provides reliable bridges in a timely manner.

##### How will traffic be impacted during construction?

SHA will close MD 77 and detour traffic during construction. Motorists should expect a full road closure with a signed detour at the end of the 2015/2016 school year (June 21, 2016) until late-August, to minimize impacts on school buses that travel MD 77. The detour is as follows:

Eastbound MD 77 drivers will:

- Travel west on MD 77
- Turn left on MD 550 south
- Turn left on MD 194 north
- Proceed to MD 77

Westbound MD 77 drivers will:

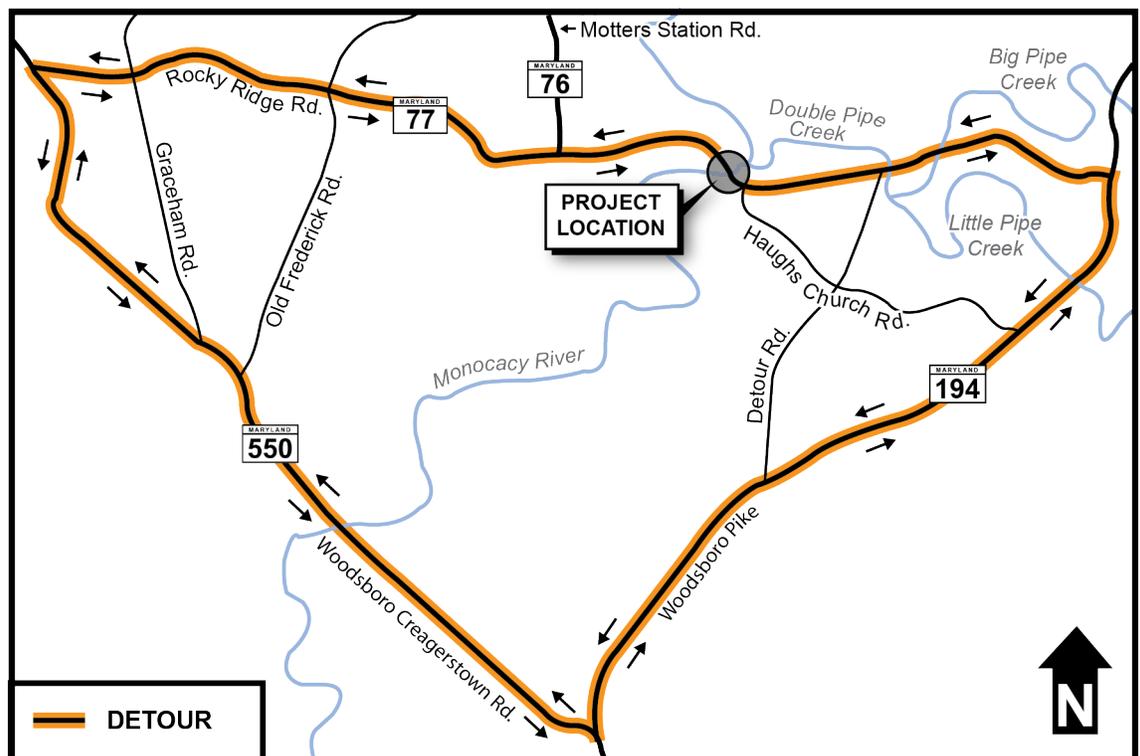
- Travel east on MD 77
- Turn right on MD 194 south
- Turn right on MD 550 north
- Proceed to MD 77

##### When will work be completed?

SHA will make every effort to complete the project as quickly as possible, while minimizing impacts on local residents and motorists. SHA expects the project to be completed, before schools reopen.



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.





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