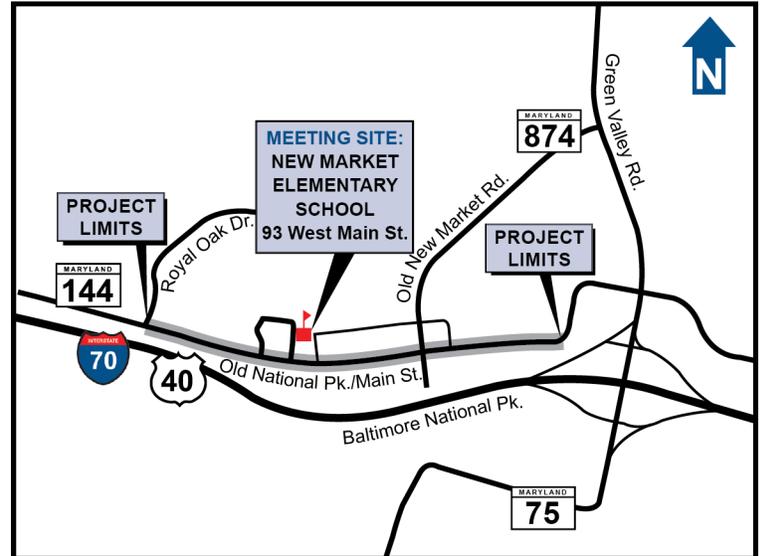


Main Street Design Complete; Informational Workshop Scheduled

The Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA) has completed the design phase for the MD 144 Community and Safety Enhancement Project (CSEP) in Historic New Market from west of Royal Oak Drive to Bye Alley in Frederick County. The construction phase of the project is scheduled to begin in fall 2014 and should be completed by fall 2016.

For additional information, you are invited to attend an Informational Workshop on Thursday, October 23, 2014.

Displays will show the proposed roadway typical sections, roadway and sidewalk improvements, proposed landscaping and pedestrian lighting, and detour route maps. SHA representatives will be available to address your project-related comments and concerns. **A formal presentation, lasting approximately 15 minutes, will begin promptly at 7:15 PM.** (See reverse side for meeting details)



Project Overview and Scope

The MD 144 CSEP will improve the roadway and sidewalks and address recurring drainage issues on properties within New Market's corporate limits. Decorative pedestrian lighting, which will be installed within the project limits in areas where sidewalks are located, will illuminate the sidewalks and roadway and improve nighttime visibility for motorists.

Main Street (MD 144) in New Market serves residents, businesses, and tourists and carries more than 8,000 vehicles a day. Heavy traffic volumes and trucks have caused the roadway and sidewalks to deteriorate, and standing water on the roadway creates safety problems and flows onto adjacent properties. The project will enhance the quality of life for New Market residents and improve safety along Main Street and its sidewalks for the historic town's many visitors. As part of the project, SHA will:

- Reconstruct open and closed drainage systems to eliminate localized drainage problems within New Market's commercial/historic district;
- Reconstruct and resurface the roadway;
- Replace sidewalks and ramps for increased safety and compliance with *Americans with Disabilities Act* (ADA) requirements;
- Construct new curb and gutter;
- Add signage, pedestrian lighting, and landscaping; and
- Reconfigure Marley Street to a full-movement T-intersection.

Construction and Temporary Detours

Temporary detours will be required for the reconstruction of MD 144 at Prospect Street (MD 874) and along the eastern limits of the project.

- During construction of the MD 144 eastbound roadway between 7th Alley and South Federal Street, **the intersection of 8th Alley and MD 144 will be closed.** Traffic on 8th Alley wishing to use MD 144 will use South Alley and South Federal Street to access MD 144.
- During construction of the MD 144 westbound roadway between 7th Alley and South Federal Street, **the intersection of Prospect Street and MD 144 will be closed. Prospect Street will be open to local traffic only, and through traffic will be detoured onto Green Valley Road (MD 75).**
- During construction of the eastern limits of the project, **MD 144 from East of Marley Street to Bye Alley will be closed, and traffic will be detoured onto Prospect Street.**

SHA will make every effort to minimize impacts on local residents and motorists during construction and will maintain safe pedestrian passage and access to driveways at all times.

Request for Assistance

The Maryland Relay Service can assist teletype users at 7-1-1. Persons requiring assistance to participate (interpreter for hearing/speech disabilities or assistance with the English language), should contact MarieFrance Guiteau by October 16, 2014. (See reverse side for contact information)



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MD 144 - New Market Community Safety and Enhancement Project



Project Background

The town of Historic New Market was founded in 1793, and its location along Old National Pike made it a convenient stop for travelers in need of food, lodging, and services. Today, New Market's Main Street showcases historic architecture and a variety of restaurants, antique stores, and specialty shops. The New Market Historic District and Old National Pike Milestone No. 37 are listed in the National Register of Historic Places, and the roadway was designated a National Scenic Byway in 2003.

In October 2004, the MD 144 CSEF was announced, and at a November 2005 public meeting at New Market Elementary School, SHA presented the concept developed with the town. In response to public comments that indicated a particular interest in preserving the town's unique historic characteristics, SHA worked with the Maryland Historical Trust and the New Market Historic District Commission to ensure that streetscape improvements would not change the characteristics that make the town and its properties historically significant. Between 2005 and 2011, the project was put on hold several times until an agreement that the road would be transferred to the town upon the completion of construction was executed. The project resumed in May 2012.



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WHEN:	Thursday, October 23, 2014 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM Formal presentation begins at 7:15 PM
WHERE:	New Market Elementary School - Cafeteria 93 West Main Street New Market, MD 21774

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For information on this project, please visit SHA's website at www.roads.maryland.gov and click on **Projects and Studies, SHA Projects Page, Frederick County, MD 144, Main Street** or use the QR code.