

PUBLIC NOTICE
MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

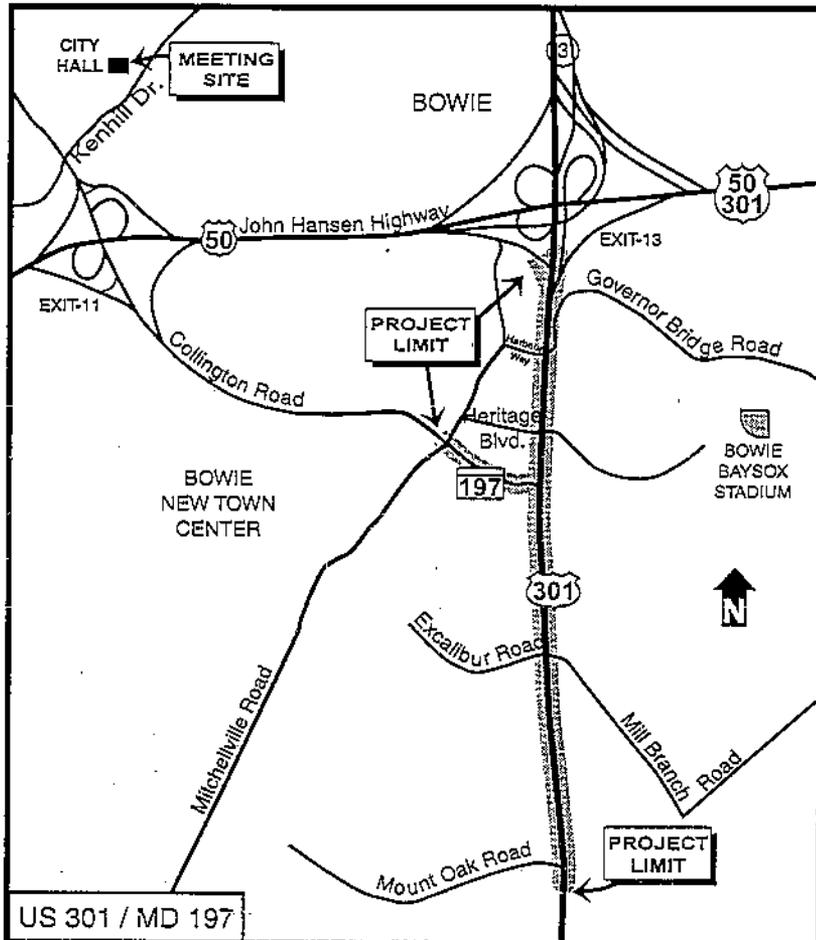
WILL CONDUCT A
LOCATION/DESIGN PUBLIC HEARING

Concerning improvements to:

US 301
FROM NORTH OF MT. OAK ROAD TO US 50

Wednesday, November 20, 2002
(5:30 p.m. Maps/Displays available)
(7:00 p.m. Presentation/Testimony)

Bowie City Hall
2614 Kenhill Drive
Bowie, MD 20715



This project consists of upgrading US 301 into a fully controlled access highway from north of Mt. Oak Road to US 50 in Prince George's County.

The purpose of this Hearing is to afford all interested persons the opportunity to present their views regarding the proposed location and general design of the project alternates, including the associated social, economic and natural environmental effects.

Beginning at 5:30 p.m. mapping depicting the project alternates will be on display. Representatives of the State Highway Administration will be available to record your comments and discuss points of interest with you.

A formal presentation beginning at 7:00 p.m. and lasting approximately 30 minutes will include a description of the project alternates, an environmental impact summary, information on right-of-way acquisition and relocation assistance procedures, and information about Title VI of the Equal Opportunity Program. This presentation will be followed by the receipt of public testimony.

Individuals and representatives of organizations that desire to be heard or want to be placed on the project planning mailing list, may submit a request to Mr. Chris Weber, Project Manager, Project Planning Division, Mail Stop C-301, State Highway Administration, 707 North Calvert Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21202, no later than Friday, November 15, 2002. Mr. Weber can be reached by telephone at 410-545-8519, toll free at 1-800-548-5026 or by e-mail at cweber@sha.state.md.us.

Written statements and other exhibits in lieu of, or in addition to, an oral presentation at the Hearing may also be submitted to Mr. Chris Weber, at the above address until Friday, January 10, 2003 in order to be included in the "Public Hearing Transcript". If you receive a copy of this notice in the mail, you are currently on the project planning mailing list. These persons will be kept informed of project development and the opportunity for public involvement as the study progresses.

Requests to speak should be received no later than Friday, November 15, 2002 in order to ensure proper scheduling of the Hearing. Elected officials will be given the opportunity to speak before those on the speakers list. After the elected officials, the speakers will be called in the order in which their requests were received. Attendees at the Hearing who desire to speak may do so after those on the previously established list. If a large number of speakers enroll, a limitation of the time allotted to each speaker may be necessary. Brochures and forms for written comments will be available at this Hearing.

If anyone who is hearing impaired desires to attend this meeting, please notify the above address in writing or teletype to 1-800-735-2258 (Statewide toll free). Persons who would like to request an oral, sign language or non-English language interpreter should notify the same address or call 410-545-8519. All requests for an interpreter must be received by November 11, 2002. To the extent that this is feasible and possible, an interpreter will be provided.