



US 1– College Park Corridor Improvement Projects Segment 1 - College Avenue to MD 193



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Design Work Underway for US 1 Improvements

The Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA) is moving forward with the design of improvements to US 1, between College Avenue and MD 193 (University Boulevard) in College Park. The project will support current and future development and improve traffic operations and safety for vehicles, bicyclists, and pedestrians along US 1. The purpose of the newsletter is to summarize the current design efforts, provide project background, schedule, and contact information for the US 1 Corridor project.

Project Overview

This project (Segment 1) represents a portion of the US 1 Project Planning Study that stretches from College Avenue to I-95/I-495 (Capital Beltway). It received federal approval in 2005. Under the selected alternate, US 1 will be reconstructed as a four-lane divided roadway, with a raised median and accommodations for bicyclists and pedestrians. *Segment 1 (College Avenue to MD 193) is the only segment currently under active design. The rest of the corridor (Segments 2 and 3) is unfunded and currently on hold. (See map.)*

Project Details

Segment 1 – US 1 between College Avenue/Regents Drive and MD 193 (University Boulevard) - See back for Typical Section.

The existing conditions along Segment 1 are as follows:

US 1 between College Avenue and Lakeland Road is a four-lane divided roadway, with a raised median and no shoulders. It is aligned with fields, parking lots, and office buildings owned by University of Maryland-College Park. US 1 between Lakeland Road and MD 193 is a five-lane undivided roadway with a two-way-left-turn-lane and no shoulders. The roadway is aligned with businesses and medium-density residential neighborhoods. The existing sidewalk along US 1 is not continuous.

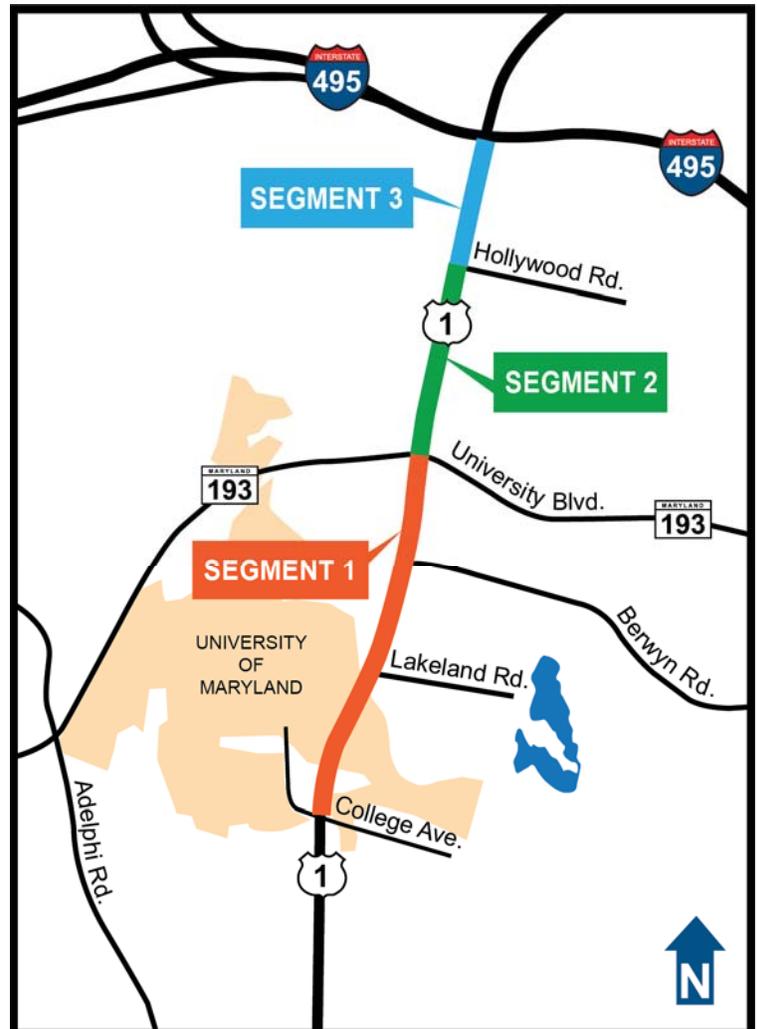
The proposed conditions along Segment 1 are as follows:

Improvements consist of roadway widening along US 1, with two 11-foot inside travel lanes and a four-foot bicycle compatible shoulder in each direction to accommodate on-street bicyclists. In addition, the existing five-lane section between Lakeland Road and MD 193 will be converted to a four-lane section with a raised landscaped median, varying in width between 6 and 16 feet. Turn lanes will be maintained at each intersection. All sidewalks, pedestrian ramps, driveway entrances and bicycle facilities will be compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Other improvements include pavement resurfacing, landscaping, drainage system upgrades, stormwater management facilities, signage and pavement markings, intersection lighting and associated utility relocations.

Segment 2 – US 1 between MD 193 (University Boulevard) and Hollywood Road

Segment 3 – US 1 between Hollywood Road and I-95/I-495 (Capital Beltway)

The other two segments included in the planning study are not currently funded for any subsequent phases. These segments would continue the vehicular, pedestrian, and bicyclist accommodations described in Segment 1, as well as landscape improvements, drainage system upgrades, pavement resurfacing and restriping, and providing stormwater management as necessary.



Next Steps

Segment 1 is fully funded for design and private right-of-way acquisitions. It is not funded for utility relocations or construction. SHA is in the process of determining right-of-way needs and obtaining required federal and state approvals. SHA real estate agents will contact property owners along US 1 in the Winter/Spring 2014/2015 to discuss the impact (if any) that the proposed improvements will have on private property. Once SHA has completed the design phase and secured construction funding, utility relocations and construction will take place.



Project Background

US 1 is a major north-south artery, located in the City of College Park in Prince George's County. It is the gateway to the University of Maryland – College Park campus, which is located within the limits of work between College Avenue/ Regents Drive and Paint Branch Parkway/Campus Drive. Pedestrian and bicyclist safety is paramount along the corridor, especially in the vicinity of campus.

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.

Questions?

For additional information on this project, please visit SHA's website at www.roads.maryland.gov and click on **Project** and **Studies**, **SHA Projects Page**, **Prince Georges County, US 1, Baltimore Avenue, College Avenue/**

Regents Drive To Md 193 (University Boulevard) or use the QR code to the left.

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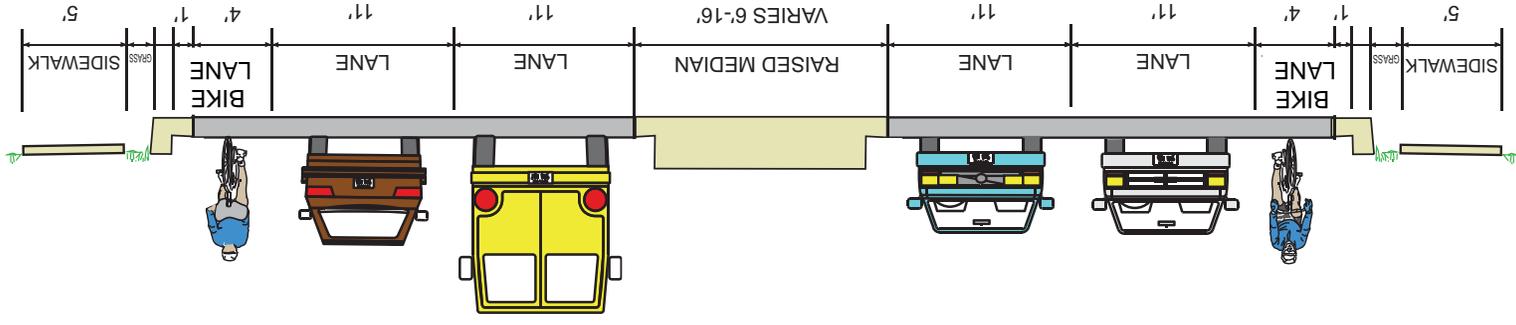
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Typical Section - US 1 Proposed Conditions

Northbound US 1

Southbound US 1



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