



MD 144 / Western Maryland Parkway Roundabout

Public Meeting, December 17, 2013

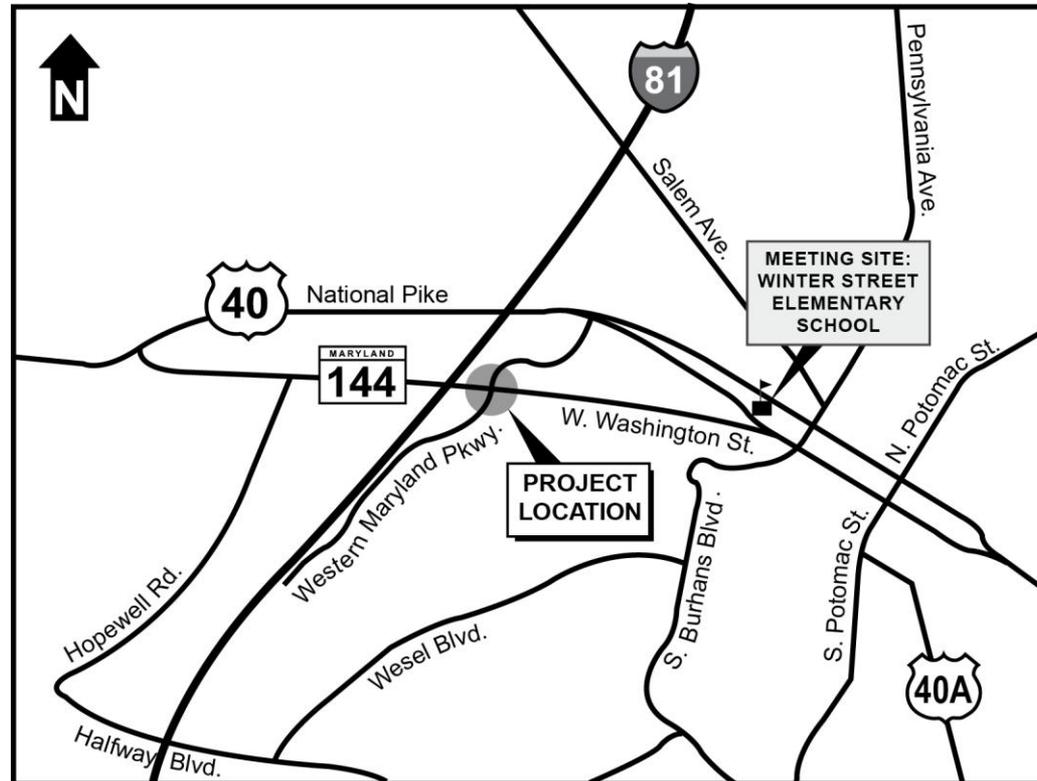
Agenda



- ▶ Welcome and introductions
- ▶ Voluntary Title VI survey information
- ▶ Project location
- ▶ The existing intersection
- ▶ Why is the project necessary?
- ▶ What is proposed?
- ▶ Why a roundabout?
- ▶ Project schedule
- ▶ Detour information
- ▶ Contact information
- ▶ General questions
- ▶ Opportunity to discuss the project one-on-one with SHA staff

Project Location

- ▶ MD 144 (West Washington Street) at Western Maryland Parkway (MD 910C)

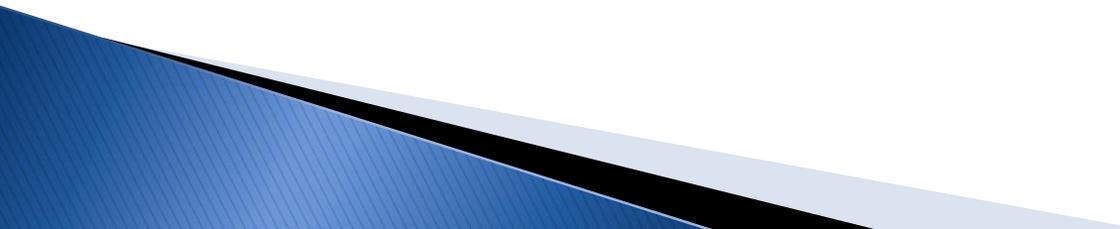


The Existing Intersection

- ▶ Four-legged, two-way stop intersection
- ▶ Stop signs on Western Maryland Parkway legs



Why is the Project Necessary?

- ▶ Increasing traffic volumes
 - ▶ Higher than statewide average number of crashes for similar intersections
 - ▶ Future planned development in the vicinity of the intersection
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What is Proposed?

- ▶ Single-lane roundabout



Why a Roundabout?



- ▶ Intersection feasibility study was conducted with four possible alternatives:
 - Two-way stop controlled (existing)
 - Four-way stop controlled
 - Signalized intersection
 - Roundabout
- ▶ Safety performance comparison conducted
- ▶ Roundabout provides highest percentage reduction in crashes

Project Schedule

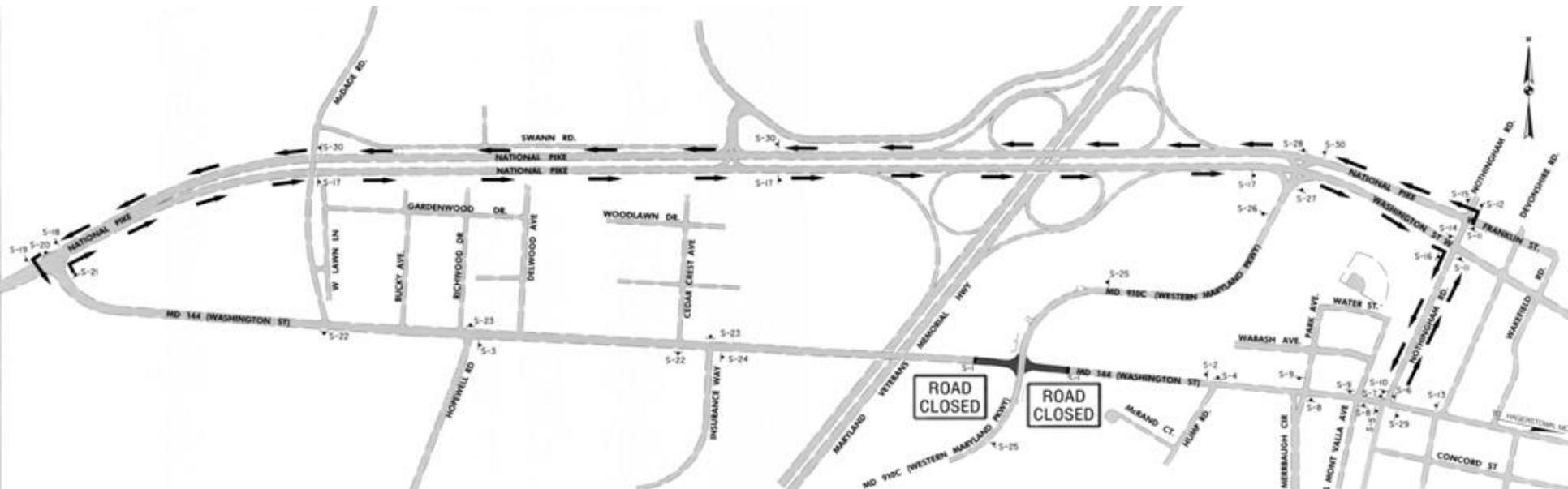


- ▶ Currently in preliminary engineering stage (nearing design completion)
- ▶ Pending approval of construction funding, potential schedule:
 - Advertise in early spring 2014
 - Begin construction late summer 2014
 - Project would take approximately seven months to complete

Detour Information



- ▶ MD 144 (West Washington Street) through-traffic would be detoured onto US 40 (National Pike) during construction (local access maintained)
- ▶ Closing MD 144 would reduce the duration of construction and the overall impact on residents and businesses



Contact Information



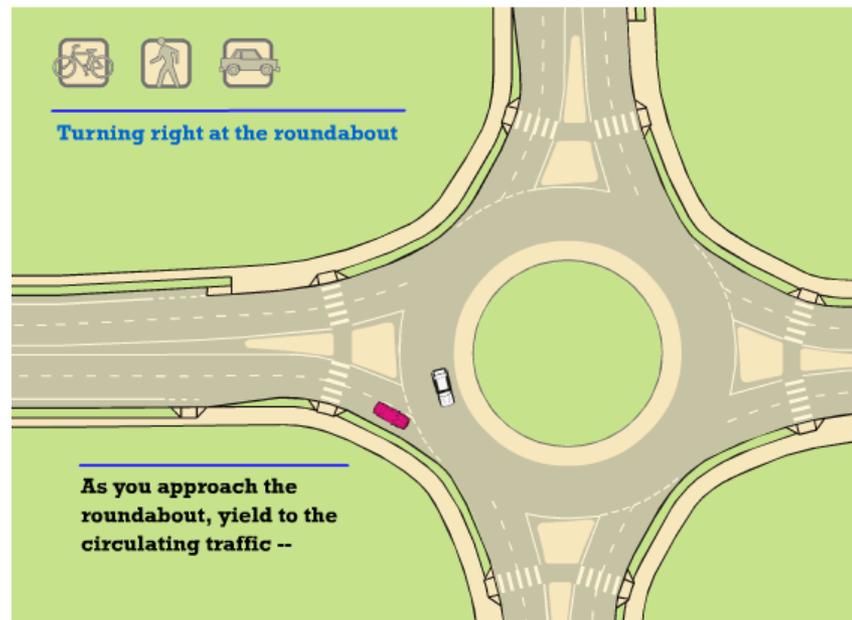
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More Information

- ▶ Roundabout FAQ and animated guide to traveling roundabouts:

<http://www.roads.maryland.gov/Pages/Roundabouts.aspx>



Questions?