



US 40 at MD 7/MD 159 Phase 2 Intersection Improvement



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Intersection Improvement Project Moves Forward; Public Meeting Scheduled

The Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA) will begin Phase 2 of the US 40 at MD 7/MD 159 Intersection Improvement Project in the fall of 2015. This Harford County project plans to widen US 40 with additional lanes in each direction at its intersection with MD 7 and MD 159. The project will be in construction through the spring of 2018 and **will not involve a detour**.

For additional information, you are invited to attend a public meeting on Thursday, May 28, 2015, from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. The informational meeting will acquaint the public with the project and provide attendees an opportunity to inform SHA of their project-related concerns. The project team will display the current project design and will be available to answer project-related questions. **No formal presentation will be given. You may arrive at any time during meeting hours and walk through the display area at your own pace.** (See back of flier for meeting details.)

Questions & Answers

Why is this work necessary?

Within the study area, US 40 experiences significant traffic congestion. As a result of the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) initiative, Aberdeen Proving Ground has gained additional military and civilian positions that have increased traffic through the US 40/MD 7/MD 159 intersection. This project will upgrade the intersection to improve current traffic conditions.

How will traffic be impacted by construction activities?

During construction, SHA will keep two lanes open for traffic on US 40 during peak hours. No full roadway closures or detours are expected.

What will the work involve?

- Widening US 40 and MD 159
- Widening the US 40 Bridge over Cranberry Run
- Replacing the concrete median on US 40
- Resurfacing pavement throughout the project limits
- Installing stormwater management facilities and drainage features
- Relocating utilities
- Upgrading traffic signs and signals
- Landscaping

What is the project schedule?

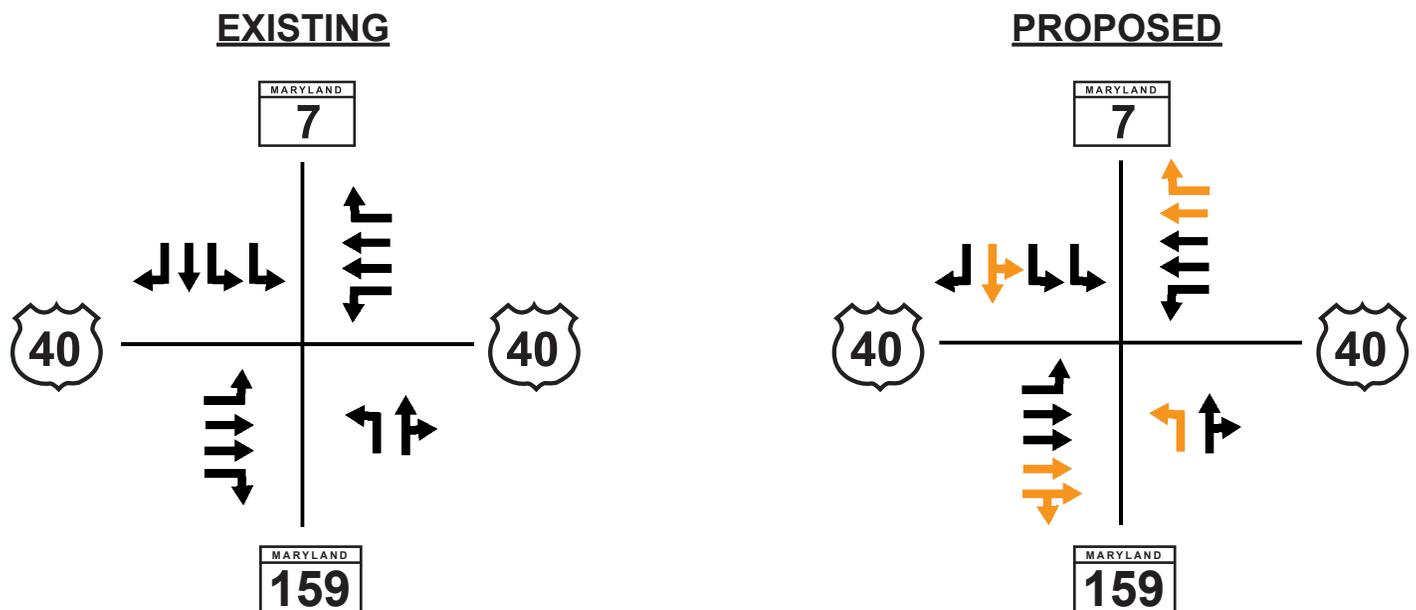
SHA will make every effort to complete this project as quickly as possible while minimizing impacts on local residents and motorists. Construction is scheduled to begin in the fall of 2015 and to be completed by spring 2018, weather permitting.

Project Background & Description

In 2009, SHA developed the US 40 Intersection Improvement Project to support the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) program by increasing the capacity of the roadway network in the area near the Aberdeen Proving Ground. Funding constraints led the project team to split the US 40/MD 7/MD 159 intersection into two phases:

- Phase 1 (improvements to MD 7) was completed in February 2015
- Phase 2 (improvements to US 40 and MD 159) will complement the improvements constructed during Phase 1

Phase 2 of the project plans to widen US 40 with additional lanes in each direction at its intersection with MD 7 and MD 159. The west side of the US 40 project will begin at Loflin Rd. The additional eastbound lanes will connect with the US 40 at MD 715 interchange project completed in November 2014. MD 159 will be slightly widened to extend the left-turn lane to provide more space for vehicles and allow them to queue without blocking the through lane. (See diagram)



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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*Attend the
Public Meeting!*

WHEN:	Thursday May 28, 2015 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM There will be no presentation.
WHERE:	George D. Lisby Elementary School 810 Edmund Street Aberdeen, MD 21001

Larry Hogan, Governor
Boyd Rutherford, Lt. Governor
Pete K. Rahn, Secretary



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For More Information

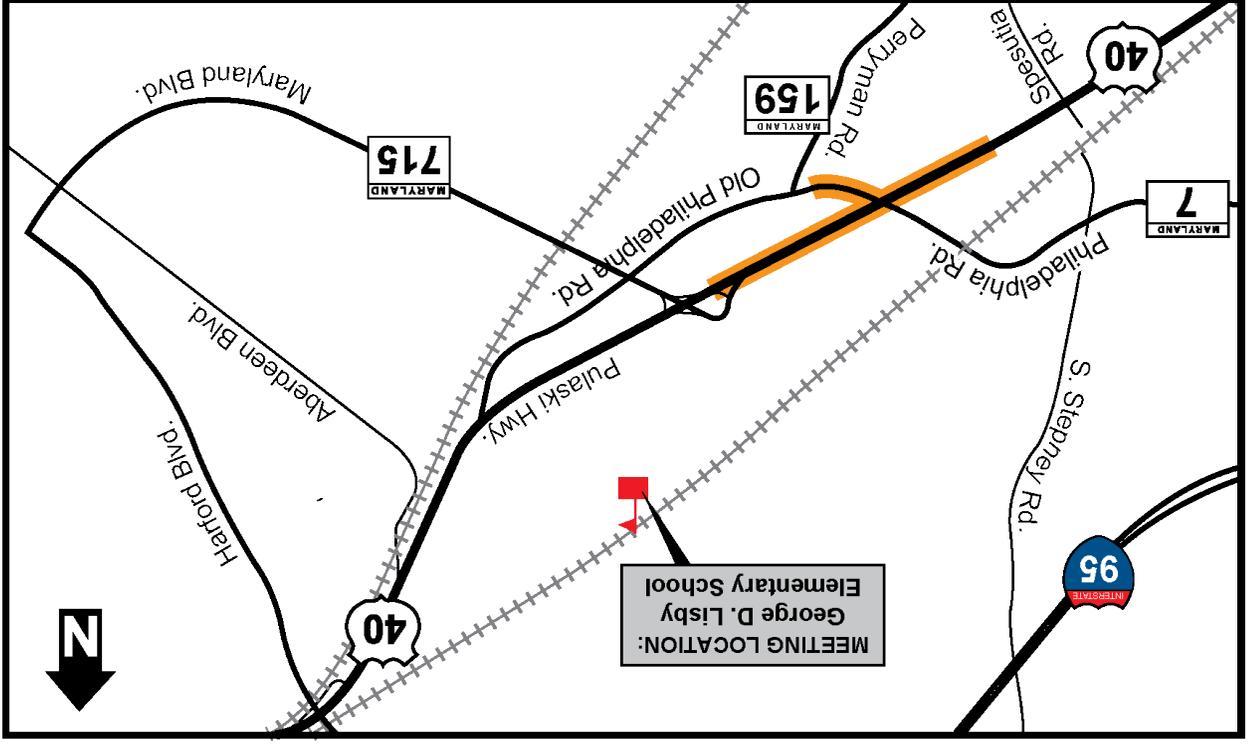
For additional information on this project, please visit SHA's website at www.roads.maryland.gov and click on Projects and Studies, SHA Projects Page, Advance Search, Project Number HA348_21 or use the QR Code. You may also contact:

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