



MD 175 FROM DISNEY ROAD TO REECE ROAD PROJECT



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DESIGN OF MD 175 CONTINUES

The Maryland Department of Transportation’s State Highway Administration (SHA) continues design work on the MD 175 (Annapolis Road) Corridor Project in Anne Arundel County. This segment of the MD 175 Corridor between Disney Road and Reece Road through Fort George G. Meade is the second segment to be designed. Once completed, the project will improve roadway capacity, connectivity, and the safety of vehicles and pedestrians along MD 175, while supporting existing and planned development in the area.

PROJECT OVERVIEW AND PURPOSE

To increase the capacity of MD 175 between Disney and Reece Roads, MD 175 will be widened from a two-lane undivided roadway to a six-lane divided roadway. Following a 2012 engineering study, SHA selected a new alignment along this segment of the roadway. The future roadway will be constructed to the west of the existing roadway within an easement granted to SHA by Fort Meade.

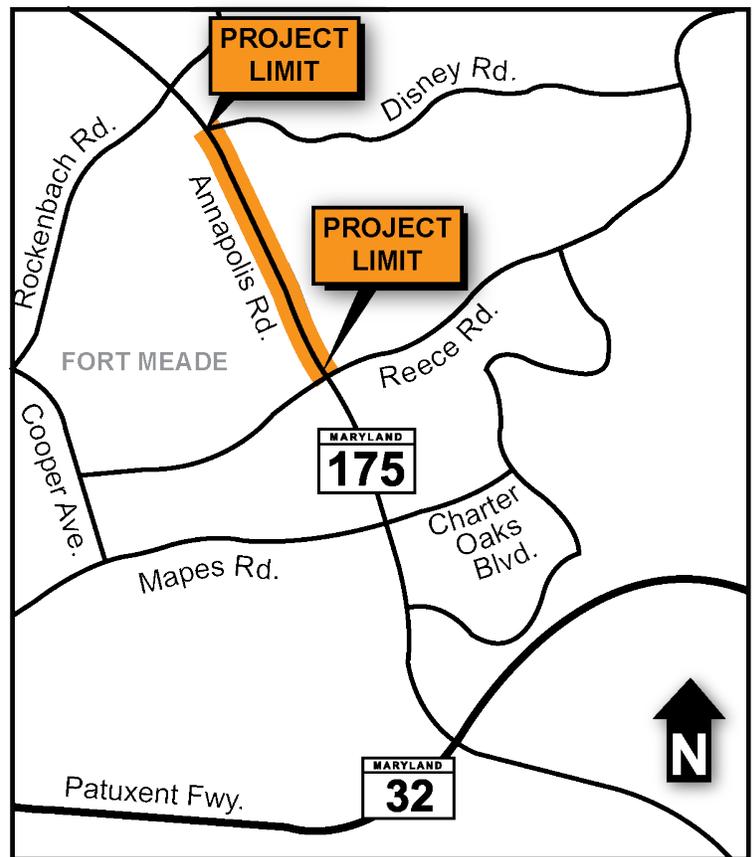
PROJECT DELIVERY

The project will be delivered in stages. Utility relocations will begin in summer 2016 and will be followed by the installation of a portion of the new drainage system. Roadway construction will begin in fall 2016. Vehicles will continue to use the existing roadway until most of the new roadway is constructed. After traffic is completely shifted to the new roadway, the existing roadway pavement will be removed.

PROJECT BACKGROUND

A study completed in 2012 determined that the MD 175 Corridor from west of the MD 295 Interchange to MD 170 (Telegraph Road/Piney Orchard) in northwestern Anne Arundel County lacked sufficient capacity to accommodate future transportation needs in and around Fort Meade. In addition to improving capacity, traffic operations, connectivity, and safety along MD 175, the project will help revitalize the North Odenton commercial district.

The area around Fort Meade is one of the fastest-growing areas of Anne Arundel County, and Fort Meade and the National Security Agency represent the largest employers in Maryland. Numerous developments (including Arundel Mills Mall) and growth in the Baltimore-Washington International Business District and at Fort Meade have contributed to increased traffic volumes in the area. SHA began design work on the first segment of the MD 175 Corridor--the interchange at MD 295--in late 2011.



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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