

#### BRIDGE REPAIRS TO EXTEND LIFE OF BRIDGE

The State Highway Administration (SHA) will be replacing the deck on the MD 150 (Eastern Avenue) bridge over MD 700 (Martin Boulevard) in Baltimore County. Work will begin in Fall 2012 and is anticipated to be complete in Fall 2013, weather permitting.

Built in 1942, the bridge is structurally sound, but its concrete deck (the riding surface on the bridge) is in need of replacement. As part of the project, SHA will also:

- Widen the bridge slightly to accommodate pedestrian facilities
- Replace the existing metal railing with a concrete barrier and ornamental fence
- Resurface the bridge approaches
- Clean, repaint, and make minor repairs to the steel beams

#### TRAFFIC MAINTENANCE – EXPECT LANE CLOSURES AND TRAFFIC IMPACTS

Motorists should expect lane closures and traffic impacts as follows:

- Through traffic on MD 700 and MD 150 will not be impacted. The acceleration lane portions of the ramps from MD 700 to eastbound and westbound MD 150 will be used to maintain through traffic during construction. **Traffic on the 700 ramps wishing to proceed onto MD 150 will yield to traffic on MD 150.**
- SHA's contractor will need to periodically close a lane along eastbound and westbound MD 150 during the day or at night when moving equipment and materials through the work zone or switching traffic patterns during construction.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

The SHA, in consultation with the Maryland Historical Trust (MHT) and other consulting parties, has identified the MD 150 Bridge as eligible for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). The bridge was determined eligible for listing on the NRHP as part of the Historic Bridge Inventory on April 3, 2001 as a significant example of a rolled metal girder bridge dating from 1942. Widening the bridge and replacing the existing railings will constitute an adverse effect to the bridge because they will introduce new visual elements to the standing historic property. The MHT has concurred with SHA's determination that the project will have an adverse effect on the historic bridge and a Memorandum of Agreement will be developed to address mitigation for this adverse effect. In accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 implementing regulations (36 CFR §800.2(d), we are requesting public comments on this undertaking/proposed action.

#### QUESTIONS / COMMENTS

For more information regarding the MD 150 over MD 700 Bridge Deck Replacement project, please visit SHA's website at [www.roads.maryland.gov](http://www.roads.maryland.gov) and click on **Projects and Studies / SHA Projects Page / Baltimore County/ Bridge 0309500 over MD 700**. You may also contact the following SHA project representative with questions or comments:

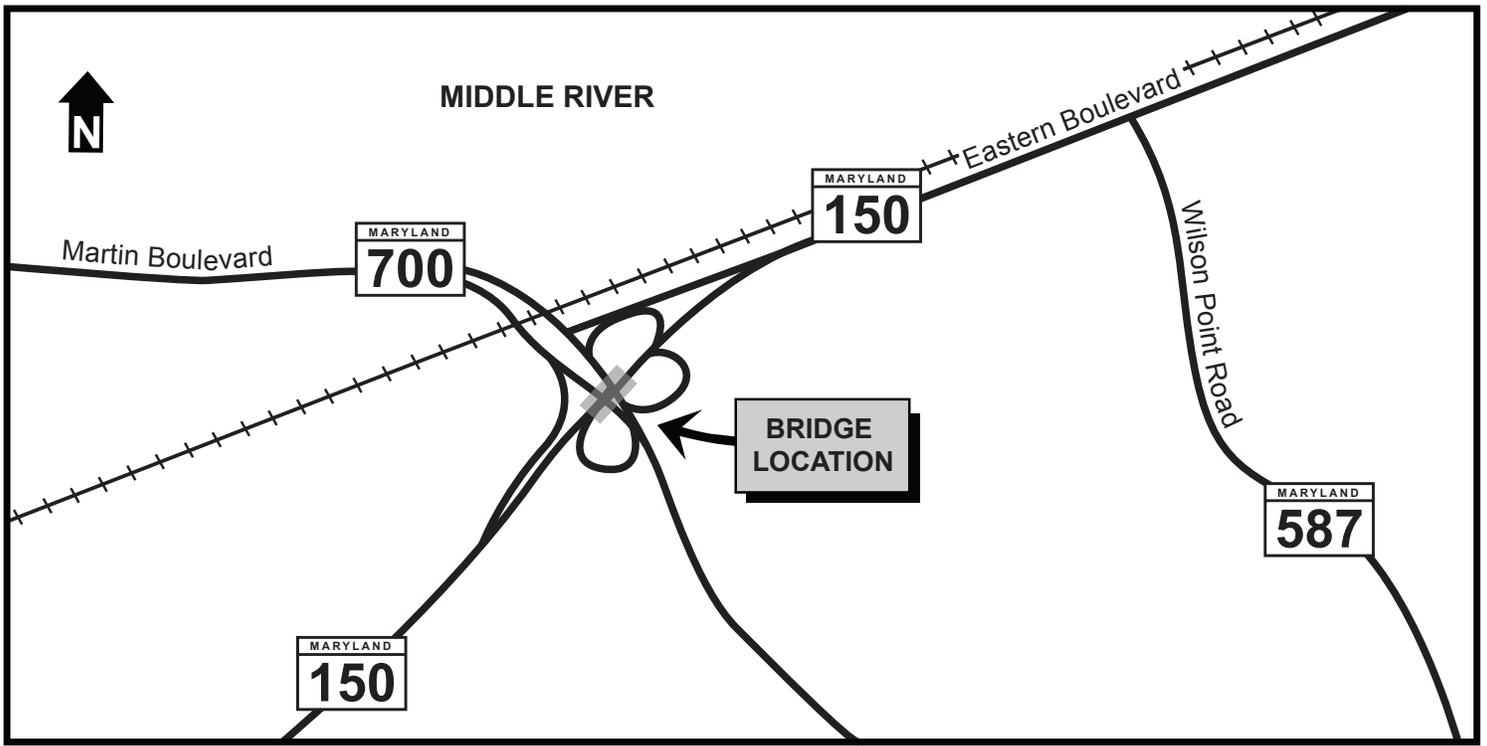
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