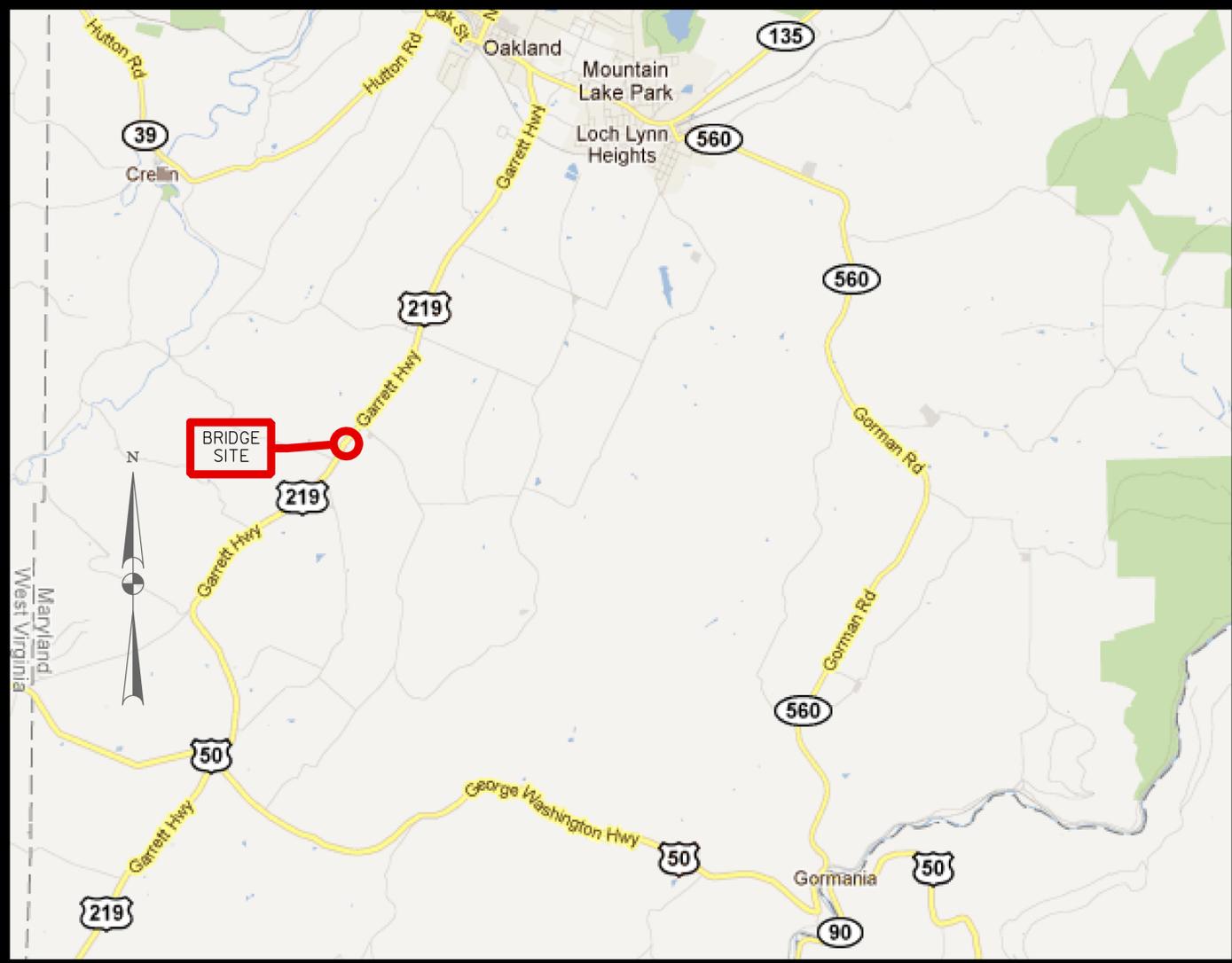




Bridge Replacement on US 219 over Cherry Creek



QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:

Why is the work necessary?

Originally constructed in 1922, the US 219 bridge over Cherry Creek is reaching the end of its service life. Replacing the structurally deficient bridge will save on future maintenance spending and support safety and mobility as part of SHA's bridge system preservation program, which aims to provide reliable facilities in a timely manner.

When will work be completed?

SHA will make every effort to complete this project as quickly as possible while minimizing impacts to local residents and motorists. Construction is scheduled to begin in June 2013 once school has ended, and be completed before schools reopen in August 2013, weather permitting.

How will traffic be impacted?

To reduce the time required for phased construction and address safety issues associated with having both motorists and construction workers on the narrow bridge, SHA is considering a full road closure and detour using US 219, US 50, MD 560 and MD 135. Work would be scheduled for the summer to minimize impacts to school bus traffic. If the detour is selected, emergency personnel and officials will be notified.

What is the proposed detour route?

Traffic south of the bridge, wishing to travel northbound on US 219, will be directed to:

- Travel southbound on US 219.
- Turn left on US 50 Eastbound (George Washington Highway).
- Turn left on MD 560 (Gorman Road).
- Stay on MD 560 to the end. This requires a right turn on Paul Street.
- Turn left on MD 135 (Oakland Westernport Road).
- Proceed to US 219.

Traffic north of the bridge, wishing to travel southbound on US 219, will be directed to:

- Travel northbound on US 219.
- Turn right on MD 135 (Oakland Westernport Road).
- Turn right on MD 560 (Paul Street).
- Stay on MD 560 to the end. This requires a left turn on East 3rd Ave.
- Turn right on US 50 Eastbound (George Washington Highway).
- Proceed to US 219.