

Maryland Transit Administration

NON-STOP IMPROVEMENTS



Here's how our work to make your ride better might affect your travel plans.

As a matter of safety and improving the transit experience for our customers and all our state's citizens, the Maryland Transit Administration works continuously to maintain and improve our infrastructure and facilities statewide. Here are some of the projects we're working on currently and those that are most likely to have an impact on the traveling public.



APRIL 2014



LIGHT RAIL:

Union Avenue and Clipper Road Grade Crossing Replacement

DESCRIPTION: Construction of two precast concrete grade crossings to replace the existing rubberized crossing at the intersection of the Light Rail tracks and Union Avenue and at Clipper Road in Baltimore City.

IMPACT: Replacement of these two crossings with concrete panels and accompanying new rail will minimize maintenance for the next 15 years. Removal of a section of the knee wall at the NE corner of the Clipper Mill entrance will provide wider swing room for truck traffic entering/exiting Clipper Mill businesses. Walking along the south side of Union Avenue has also been made safer.



METRO SUBWAY:

Shot Tower Station Structural Preservation and Other Improvements

DESCRIPTION: Construction of a structural preservation system and miscellaneous improvements to the Shot Tower Metro Subway Station.

IMPACT: Restoration work has eliminated previous leaks and a portion of the architectural ceiling has been restored or replaced. During construction, the east side elevators and escalators are out of service in this part of the station.

LOCAL BUS: Main Shop



DESCRIPTION: Construction of a new Bus Main Shop at 1501 Washington Boulevard – a three story bay, steel-framed building with full architectural, mechanical and electrical support amenities. The site work includes installation of all new utilities, parking lot paving, drainage, storm water management, signing, pavement markings, retaining walls, fences and other aesthetic improvements. The site work also includes the demolition of an existing building slab and foundations, a stone out-building, demolition of an asphalt parking lot and existing utilities under the slab and pavement.

IMPACT: Bush Street from Carroll Street to Wicomico Street temporarily closed for utility work adjacent to the bus complex. The new shop facility will provide MTA with the capacity to do an even better job of maintaining its bus fleet.

APRIL-MAY 2014



LIGHT RAIL: ***Aviation Boulevard Equipment Repairs***

DESCRIPTION: Testing and replacing the signal case at Aviation Boulevard.

IMPACT: Bus Bridge/shuttle serving passengers at BWI Airport Stop.



METRO SUBWAY: ***Architectural Upgrades to Northern Entrance, Lexington Market Metro***

DESCRIPTION: Cleaning, preparing and painting the exterior metal panel facades.

IMPACT: Diversion of normal pedestrian traffic flow. The project has protected walkways installed along the perimeter and signs posted to assist with traffic flow and maintenance of traffic. At the project's conclusion the newly refreshed façade will be more visually pleasing.



LIGHT RAIL / MARC: ***Homeland Security CCTV Phase IV***

DESCRIPTION: High resolution surveillance cameras are being added to monitor and record activity associated with the public areas of the rail stations as well as entrances and exits. The cameras are viewable by the MTA Police in real-time. The system has analytic capabilities to detect suspicious packages and intrusion into non-public areas.

IMPACT: The addition of the cameras will enhance public safety and security at Light Rail stops that include Falls Road, Centre Street, Lexington Market, Cherry Hill, BWI Airport and Westport, as well as the MARC Perryville Station.

APRIL-JUNE 2014



MARC HALETHORPE STATION: *Miscellaneous Repairs & Modifications*

DESCRIPTION: Modifications to the existing drainage and handrail systems and construction of a plumbing enclosure in the restroom on the ground floor of the southbound platform tower located at 5833 Southwestern Blvd.

IMPACT: Construction activities that will directly impact our customers include:

- Restroom (ground floor of the southbound platform tower) will be out of service during construction (expected to be complete in one-to-two days).
- Handrail modifications (various locations including stairs, ramps and platforms throughout the station). Work on the handrails is expected to take approximately one-to-two weeks to complete. Most areas will remain accessible to the public during construction via a short, nearby detour. Upon completion, the handrails will be more user-friendly for all patrons, especially those with disabilities.

APRIL-AUGUST 2014



LOCAL BUS: *Cromwell Bridge Park and Ride Bus Stop Relocation*

DESCRIPTION: Relocate existing bus stop, install new bus shelter, add concrete sidewalk, relocate ADA parking spaces and install new fencing at the Local Bus Cromwell Bridge Road Park and Ride lot at the intersection of Cromwell Bridge Road and I-695.

IMPACT: Parking at this location will be slightly limited during construction. Benefits include the installation of a new covered bus shelter, and by relocating the bus stop, the ADA-accessible parking spaces will now be in closer proximity to the actual bus stop. Customers should be on the lookout for temporary bus rerouting and relocating of bus stop(s) while construction is in progress. MTA will coordinate notification to our patrons that work will be in progress at this location through signage, transit ambassadors, website updates, e-alerts and social media.

APRIL-NOVEMBER 2014



LIGHT RAIL / LOCAL BUS: *Patapsco Light Rail Stop Parking Lot Repair*

DESCRIPTION: Baltimore County is repairing a sewer line under the parking lot.

IMPACT: Temporary relocation of three bus stops within the station parking lot. Regular schedules and services will continue; however, during the initial days of construction, we advise our passengers to allow extra time to travel.

APRIL 2014-APRIL 2015



MARC TRAIN / TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT: *Savage / Annapolis Junction*

DESCRIPTION: Construction of a bridge over the tracks as well as a garage for MARC patrons as part of a larger mixed-use development in cooperation with Howard County Government.

IMPACT: Short term impact to patrons using the MARC station will require them to park on the northern most lot and walk a bit further to the train platform until construction is completed. Garage will provide secure parking protected from the weather and additional amenities.

MAY-SEPTEMBER 2014



LOCALLY OPERATED TRANSIT SYSTEMS / BUS: *Langley Park Transit Center*

DESCRIPTION: Construction of a transit center at the northwest corner of University Boulevard (MD 193) and New Hampshire Avenue (MD 650). This will provide four bus stop platforms with the capacity for 11 buses to be accessible at any given time. The Transit Center will include a facility building, canopy roof over all bus platforms and state of the art lighting, communications and safety amenities.

IMPACT: The new fully-signalized entrance on MD 193 will open to the public. Construction will involve closing the MD 650 entrance to the Langley Park Shopping Center near the Bank of America. Improvements to this entrance include road widening, drainage enhancements and traffic signal modifications. Once this entrance is reopened, the MD 193 entrance to the Langley Park Shopping Center will be permanently closed to vehicular traffic to provide access for bus traffic. At that time, the Shopping Center will feature two newly modified entrances along MD 650 and MD 193 which will enhance traffic flow and greatly improve public safety. The construction will have an impact on traffic, existing transit service locations and pedestrian movements throughout the construction period. Every attempt will be made to minimize these impacts by coordinating with service providers and by phasing the management of traffic to minimize its affect on traffic and pedestrians.



MARC TRAIN:

West Baltimore MARC Station Parking Expansion

DESCRIPTION: Construction of two new parking areas east of Pulaski Street, the relocation of the eastbound US 40 ramp and the reconnection of Payson Street. The project area is located between Franklin and Mulberry streets from the westbound MARC Station to the Fulton Avenue Bridge. The West Baltimore MARC Station Parking Expansion Project will be constructed in phases on two blocks of Baltimore City-owned property along a portion of the old I-70 right-of-way. The construction will involve raising the westbound US 40 ramp between the Monroe Street bridge and reconnecting Payson Street. A new roadway access will be required on the east side of existing parking lot “B” and pavement markings on Lot “A” will be reconfigured to increase the number of ADA accessible spaces. Along Franklin Street between the Monroe Street Bridge and Pulaski Street, the existing drainage trunk line will be resized and all of the cross connections will be modified accordingly. An additional green space with curb and gutter will also be constructed along the south side of Franklin Street between Monroe and Payson streets.

IMPACT: Temporary closures of east- and westbound Route 40, and portions of eastbound Franklin Street can be expected through April. Upon project completion this summer, customer parking for the West Baltimore MARC Station will be increased by 100 percent, along with a reconnection of Payson Street, which will reconnect the communities of the Mulberry and Franklin sides of the project. The site, when complete, will also offer a new and more scenic streetscape.



METRO SUBWAY:

Lexington Market Metro Subway Station

DESCRIPTION: Work associated with this task will be performed at 301 North Eutaw Street in Baltimore. Work includes but is not limited to repaving the plaza, modifying the brick planter wall along Eutaw Street, creating additional seating areas, installing new street lighting, installing stainless steel bollards, a new bus shelter and miscellaneous ADA and landscaping modifications.

IMPACT: The largest impact to MTA customers and the general public will be the construction performed at the corner of Eutaw and Saratoga streets. During the period of construction, pedestrian traffic will be directed through specific pathways as part of the maintenance of traffic. The project will affect users of the Lexington Market Metro Subway Station Northern entry/exit and bus users for the stops currently located along Saratoga and Eutaw. Access to the Metro Subway escalator and elevator and the bus stop points will be affected only for a limited period when the paving work in their immediate vicinity is being completed. Signs will be posted as part of the construction maintenance-of-traffic plan. At the conclusion of construction, the public will enjoy a renewed walking surface that is free of cracks and broken pavers, and a new bus shelter.



METRO SUBWAY:

Old Court Station Parking Lot Pavement Repairs and Rehabilitation

DESCRIPTION: Work associated with this task will be performed at 4314 Old Court Road in Pikesville. Work includes widening of the bus loop, removal and replacement of concrete curb and pavements, crack and joint sealing, drainage improvements, ADA improvements, and milling and resurfacing of the existing asphalt pavement.

IMPACT: For several weeks, the bus stop will be relocated within the same parking lot so that work on the existing bus loop can be performed. Once complete, it will provide for a much smoother ride for patrons. Limited parking will be available over several weekends so that the existing parking lot can be resurfaced and new pavement markings can be applied. Patrons will benefit from the replacement and/or repair of various concrete curbs and sidewalks throughout the parking lot.



LIGHT RAIL / LOCAL BUS:

Miscellaneous Parking Lot Repairs (Five Locations)

DESCRIPTION: Work associated with this task will be performed at the following locations:

LTR Nursery Road Stop	6852 Balt. Annap. Blvd. Linthicum Heights
LTR North Avenue Stop	325 West North Avenue Baltimore
Bus Security Square Mall Park and Ride	1717 N. Rolling Road, Baltimore
LTR Warren Road Stop	300 West Warren Road Hunt Valley
LTR Hunt Valley Stop	98 Shawan Road Hunt Valley

Work includes removal and replacement of concrete curbs and gutters, full-depth patching, replacement and/or installation of concrete bus pad, high pressure water cleaning, crack and joint sealing, slurry seal application, new signage and pavement markings.

IMPACT: Parking restrictions will be required at most locations. Restrictions will be limited to weekends only, allowing patrons nearly unrestricted access to the parking lot during the work-week. Once improvements are complete, patrons will enjoy driving on and parking in a smoother, more clearly delineated lot.



LOCAL BUS:

Kirk Avenue Green Space

DESCRIPTION: Work will be performed in the 2300 block of Kirk Avenue between Barlett and Curtain avenues, and includes the removal of the existing paved lot and the construction of a new landscaped park area for public use.

IMPACT: Though construction activity will be ongoing in this residential area for several months, the end result will be a serene park complete with a gazebo, birdhouses, benches, and decorative fencing and lighting fixtures, for the surrounding community to enjoy for years to come. Local community organizations will be kept informed of this work and its progress, and MTA representatives will attend Kirk Community meetings to accomplish this goal, as well as to minimize any potential conflicts during construction.

JUNE 2014



LIGHT RAIL: *Beaver Dam Road Signal Arm Structure Repair*

DESCRIPTION: Remove damaged horizontal cantilever portion of the existing structure, salvage the existing signal lights, fabricate and replace with new cantilever arm structure while simultaneously maintaining vehicular and pedestrian traffic at the intersection of Beaver Dam and Warren Road in Hunt Valley, MD. Scheduled to take place during one weekend in June, Saturday morning through Monday morning.

IMPACT: There will be a road closure at Warren Road and Beaver Dam Road to Cockeysville Road, necessitating a detour from Warren Road at Beaver Dam Road, to Beaver Dam Road to York Road, to York Road to Cockeysville Road (Note: Detour route under review by State Highway Administration; final route may differ.

JUNE-SEPTEMBER 2014

GRADE CROSSINGS, FREIGHT: *Replace Eight Grade Crossings on Eastern Shore*

DESCRIPTION: This contract is for the replacement of eight grade crossings scattered throughout the lower Eastern Shore at the following locations:

Neals School Road DE Rt. 553	Milepost 2.46
Shufelt Road DE Rt. 552	Milepost 3.56
North Oak Grove Road DE Rt. 549	Milepost 5.45
Kinder Road	Milepost 6.74
Railroad Avenue	Milepost 15.92
Railroad Avenue (Preston Spur)	Milepost 15.92
Charles Street	Milepost 16.17
Delaware Avenue MD Rt. 392	Milepost 16.08

IMPACT: Existing crossings are in need of repair. Passing vehicles generally must slow down to pass through safely in their present condition. Traffic will be affected during construction, which is expected to take a weekend for each crossing. Traffic is expected to flow freely once each crossing is completed.



METRO SUBWAY:
Structural Repairs (Various Stations)

DESCRIPTION: Work associated with this task will be performed at Owings Mills, Old Court, Milford Mill, Reisterstown Plaza, Rogers Avenue and Mondawmin. Work includes crack repairs using epoxy injection, sealing cracks in concrete surfaces, rehabilitation of deteriorated concrete, cleaning of concrete surfaces, replacement of cladding and glass panels, and overall repairs to steel stairways.

IMPACT: It is likely that portions of the stations listed above will need to be blocked off so that construction can take place. However, work will be performed during non-peak hours, or in such a way that patron access to the stations/trains will not be adversely impacted.

JUNE-AUGUST 2014



METRO SUBWAY:
Track replacement near Reisterstown Plaza West

DESCRIPTION: Replacing the diamond crossover.

IMPACT: Possible delays as lines will be single track for approximately two months.

JUNE 2014-JUNE 2015

PARK AND RIDE:
Improvements to Waldorf Park and Ride

DESCRIPTION: Work associated with this task will be performed at the Southeast corner of Smallwood Drive and Old Washington Road in Waldorf, Maryland. Work includes but is not limited to roadway widening along Old Washington Road, construction of a new signal at the roadway intersection and construction of a new Park and Ride facility.

IMPACT: Roadway and signal work will affect traffic on Smallwood Drive and Old Washington Road.

JUNE 2014-DECEMBER 2015



MARC TRAIN:
*West Baltimore MARC Station
Short Term Improvements*

DESCRIPTION: Work includes but is not limited to replacing the existing platform safety railings, platform lighting, platform shelters and some landscaping.

IMPACT: The platform work will be scheduled to minimize its impact to the MARC Train customers using the platforms to access the train service.

NOVEMBER 2014-JUNE 2015



MARC TRAIN:
*West Baltimore MARC Station Beautification,
Parking Expansion*

DESCRIPTION: This project attaches art work to the light poles that were constructed as part of the parking expansion and adds plaques to recognize contributions by significant past community leaders.

IMPACT: Installation of the art work will be scheduled to minimize its impact on MARC Train customers.