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I-95 EXPRESS TOLL LANES PROJECT OFFICE NOW OPEN TO PUBLIC

First Public Open House to be held Tuesday

BALTIMORE, MD – The Maryland Transportation Authority (MdTA) announces the opening of its field office in White Marsh for the I-95 Express Toll Lanes (ETLs) Project.

Open to the public, the I-95 ETL Project Office is a valuable resource for community organizations and individual stakeholders to access project information by obtaining newsletters and fact sheets, attending public open houses, or meeting with a project team member. The office houses Authority staff and the GEC (General Engineering Consultant) Partners, including STV, Inc., Wilbur Smith Associates, Inc. and Parsons Brinckerhoff Quade & Douglas, Inc.

The ETLs project spans the I-95 corridor from the I-95/I-895 split in northeast Baltimore to north of MD 43 in White Marsh. The project will ease congestion and increase safety by making improvements to the mainline roadway, reconstructing bridges and interchanges and adding ETLs to this 10-mile stretch of the John F. Kennedy Memorial Highway. Once complete, it will result in a total of two new ETLs and four general-purpose lanes in each direction. Motorists will have the option of using the general-purpose lanes at no cost or paying a toll to use the ETLs, which will be managed to maintain relatively congestion-free traffic flow.

The first project associated with the I-95 ETLs Project includes replacing the Rossville Boulevard bridge over I-95. Work began in December 2005 and is scheduled to be complete in Spring 2007.

The I-95 ETL Project Team will hold the first of its quarterly Public Open Houses on Tuesday, April 25 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

The I-95 ETLs Project Office, located at 8019 Corporate Drive-Suite F, was selected for its close proximity to I-95 and for its accessibility to the public. Citizens can obtain information about office hours and public outreach events by calling the office at 410-931-0808 or 1-888-195-ETLS (495-3857). Additional information about the I-95 ETL Project can be found at www.I-95ExpressTollLanes.com.

The Maryland Transportation Authority is an independent State agency that finances, owns and operates Maryland's seven toll facilities. The Authority's six Members, appointed by the Governor with consent of the State Senate, serve as the agency's policy-setting and governing body. Maryland Secretary of Transportation Robert L. Flanagan serves as Authority Chairman.

Note: If you choose to use an acronym, please refer to the Maryland Transportation Authority as MdTA. Thank you.



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