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June 15, 2018

RE: AI No.: 160464
Nontidal Wetlands and Waterways Application Number: 18-NT-0086/201860368
Project Name: Maryland Transportation Authority I-95 Express Toll Lanes Northbound
Extension, Baltimore and Harford Counties, with Proposed Mitigation Sites in
Baltimore, Harford, and Cecil Counties

Dear Property Owner, Public Official or Interested Person:

This is to inform you that the Nontidal Wetlands Division is placing the above referenced project on Public Notice. Please note, this is notice of an opportunity for a public hearing, not notice of the hearing itself.

All work will be completed in accordance with the plans submitted with the Joint Permit Application. Copies of the plans are available at mdta.maryland.gov/I95ETLNB/Environmental.html, and at the following library locations:

Baltimore County Public Library White Marsh Branch 8133 Sandpiper Circle Baltimore, MD 21236	Harford County Public Library Aberdeen Branch 21 Franklin St, Aberdeen, MD 21001	Cecil County Public Library North East 106 W Cecil Ave, North East, MD 21901
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Hard copies can also be requested from the MDE Reviewer Emily Dolbin at emily.dolbin@maryland.gov or [410-662-7464](tel:410-662-7464) ext 1653.

This Public Notice (copy attached) will be published in The Jeffersonian, The Aegis and The Cecil Whig for one day in **June 2018**. Written comments and/or requests for a hearing must be received on or before **July 15, 2018**.

If you need any further information or assistance, please don't hesitate to contact Ms. Emily Dolbin at [410-662-7464](tel:410-662-7464) extension 1653.

Sincerely,

Amanda Sigillito, Division Chief
Nontidal Wetlands Division

Maryland Department of the Environment, Water Management Administration.
Notice of Applications Received for a State Nontidal Wetlands and Waterways Permit and the
Opportunity to Provide Written Comment or Request an Informational Hearing.

Issue Date: **June 15, 2018**

The Water Management Administration is reviewing the following applications for a State Nontidal Wetlands and Waterways Permit. The applications and related information are on file at the Nontidal Wetlands Division, 1800 Washington Blvd., Baltimore, Maryland 21230. Arrangements may be made for inspection and copying of file materials. Opportunity is afforded to interested parties to provide written comments on the listed application(s), or to be placed on the interested persons list for a specific application. Any request for a hearing must be in writing and provide the following information: 1) Name, Address and Telephone Number of the person making the request; 2) The identity of any other person(s) the requestor is representing; and 3) State specifically the issue proposed to be considered at the hearing. If a hearing is scheduled, sign language interpreters and other appropriate accommodations for individuals with disabilities will be provided upon request. Written comments, requests to be placed on the interested persons list, or requests for a hearing must be received on or before **July 15, 2018**. If requesting to be placed on the interested persons list, please clearly state this request in written form. On all correspondence, please refer to the case number which identifies each application. Correspondence should be addressed to the Water Management Administration, Nontidal Wetlands Division, 1800 Washington Blvd., Baltimore, Maryland 21230.

A Water Quality Certification may be required from the Department of the Environment for this project. This certification is required under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act.

Any further notices concerning actions on the following applications will be provided by mail to those persons on the interested persons list.

Baltimore, Harford, and Cecil Counties

Staff Assigned: Emily Dolbin

Case Number: **18-NT-0086/201860368**

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (MDTA), 8019 Corporate Drive, Suite F, Baltimore, Maryland, 21236, has applied to construct Stage 1 of the I-95 Section 200 Improvements including, adding a two-lane express toll lane (ETL) on northbound I-95 from MD 43 to MD 152; an auxiliary lane from MD 152 to MD 24; replacement of the Bradshaw Overpass, Raphael Road Overpass, and the Old Joppa Road Overpass; reconstructing and widening the bridge decks on the Big Gunpowder, Little Gunpowder, and Winters Run bridges, two noise walls, utility relocations, and providing a new Intelligent Transportation System communication system to improve operations and incident management along both northbound and southbound I-95. The project will permanently impact 35,111 square feet of nontidal forested wetland, 728 square feet of nontidal scrub shrub wetland, 16,930 square feet of nontidal emergent wetland, 134,923 square feet of the 25-foot nontidal wetland buffer, 2,086 linear feet of perennial waterways, 3,800 linear feet of intermittent waterways, 254,688 square feet of 100-year floodplain, and temporarily impact 9,172 square feet of nontidal forested wetland, 4,335 square feet of the 25-foot nontidal wetland buffer, 446 linear feet of perennial waterways, and 26,655 square feet of 100-year floodplain. The project is proposed within the Bird River (Use IV), Lower Gunpowder Falls (Use I), Little Gunpowder Falls (Use III) and Lower Winters Run (Use I-P) watersheds. The applicant proposes to mitigate for 28,477 square feet of permanently impacted nontidal wetlands and 4,005 linear feet of waterways. The proposed mitigation will be provided both on-site and off-site at the following locations: Carsins Run Stream

Mitigation Site located within MDTA right-of-way just north of the I-95 and MD 22 interchange and west of I-95 in Harford County; Whitemarsh Run Mitigation site southeast of US 40 between Ebenezer Road and Reames Road in Baltimore County; Lilly Run Mitigation site located east of Havre de Grace Middle School in Harford County; and MD 7 Fish Passage along an unnamed tributary to the North East River off of Old Philadelphia Road in Cecil County. The project is located on I-95 from MD 43 to MD 24 in Baltimore and Harford Counties, Maryland. Written comments, requests for a public informational hearing and requests to be included on the interested persons list may be sent by July 15, 2018 to the Maryland Department of the Environment, Attn: Emily Dolbin, 1800 Washington Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21230, or at emily.dolbin@maryland.gov or [410-662-7464](tel:410-662-7464) ext 1653. Any further notices concerning actions on the application will be provided only by mail to those persons on the interested persons list. Please refer to Subsection 5-907 of the Annotated Code of Maryland or the Code of Maryland Regulations 26.23.02 for information regarding the application process.