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October 28, 2019

RE: AI No.: 160464
Nontidal Wetlands and Waterways Application Number: 19-NT-0150/201960846
Project Name: Maryland Transportation Authority I-95 Express Toll Lanes Northbound
Extension Phase II, Harford County, with Proposed Mitigation Sites in Baltimore
and Harford 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 with notice of a Public Hearing.

All work will be completed in accordance with the plans submitted with the Joint Permit Application. Copies of the plans are available at <https://mde.state.md.us/programs/water/WetlandsandWaterways/AboutWetlands/Pages/pubnotj01.aspx> and at the following library locations:

Baltimore County Public Library Owings Mills Branch 10302 Grand Central Ave Owings Mills, MD 21117	Harford County Public Library Joppa Branch 655 Towne Center Dr Joppa, MD 21085	Harford County Public Library 120 N Union Ave Havre de Grace, MD 21078
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Hard copies can also be requested from the MDE Reviewer Jennifer Bird at jennifer.bird@maryland.gov or 410-316-7959.

This Public Notice (copy attached) will be published in The Jeffersonian and The Aegis for one day in **October 2019**. Written comments must be received on or before **November 28, 2019**.

If you need any further information or assistance, please don't hesitate to contact Ms. Jennifer Bird at 410-316-7959.

Sincerely,

Amanda Sigillito, Division Chief
Nontidal Wetlands Division

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

Issue Date: **October 28, 2019**

The Water and Science 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. Written comments or requests to be placed on the interested persons list must be received on or before November 28, 2019. 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 and Science 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 and Harford Counties

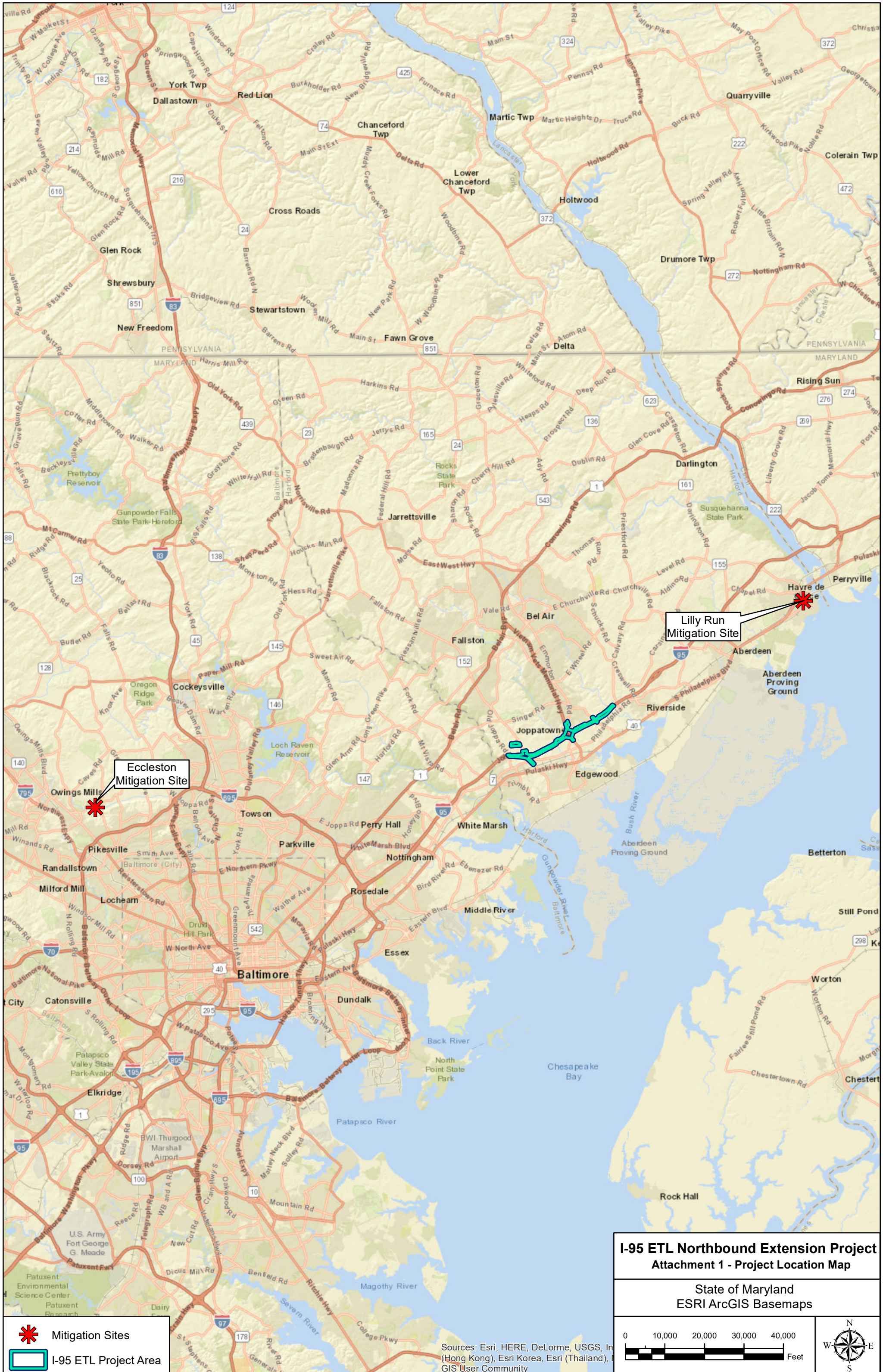
Staff Assigned: Jennifer Bird

Case Number: **19-NT-0150/201960846**

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (MDTA), 8019 Corporate Drive, Suite F, Baltimore, Maryland, 21236, has applied to construct Phase 2 of the I-95 Section 200 Improvements including, extending a two-lane express toll lane (ETL) on northbound I-95 from north of Old Joppa Road to Bynum Run, just south of MD 543; safety and operational improvements along northbound I-95, relocation of the existing Park and Ride at the interchange of I-95 and MD 152, construction of a new Park and Ride on MD 24, construction of two noise walls adjacent to northbound I-95 and two noise walls adjacent to southbound I-95, 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 133,779 square feet of nontidal forested wetland, 7,563 square feet of nontidal scrub shrub wetland, 31,038 square feet of nontidal emergent wetland, 2,298 square feet of nontidal forested/emergent wetland, 491,125 square feet of the 25-foot nontidal wetland buffer, 28,555 linear feet of waterways, and 210,636 square feet of 100-year floodplain. The project will temporarily impact 80,924 square feet of nontidal forested wetland, 6,258 square feet of nontidal scrub shrub wetland, 84,413 square feet of nontidal emergent wetland, 235,373 square feet of the 25-foot nontidal wetland buffer, 107 linear feet of waterways, and 1,179,654 square feet of 100-year floodplain. The project is proposed within the Little Gunpowder Falls (Use III), Lower Winters Run (Use I-P), Haha Branch (Use I), and Bynum Run (Use III) watersheds. The applicant proposes to mitigate for 174,678 square feet of permanently impacted nontidal wetlands and 13,213 linear feet of waterways. The proposed mitigation will be provided off-site at the following locations: Lilly Run Stream Mitigation Site located in the City of Havre de Grace, Harford County, and Jones Falls (Eccleston Mitigation Site) in Owings Mills, Baltimore County. The project is located on I-95 from north of Old Joppa Road to Bynum Run, just south of MD 543 in Harford County, Maryland. Written comments and requests to be included on the interested persons list may be sent by November

28, 2019 to the Maryland Department of the Environment, Attn: Jennifer Bird, 1800 Washington Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21230, or at jennifer.bird@maryland.gov or 410-316-7959. 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.

A public informational hearing on this project will be held on Thursday November 14, 2019, at the William Paca Elementary School at 2706 Philadelphia Road, Abingdon, MD 21009. The applicant will have the project plans on display beginning at 6:00 p.m. The hearing will begin promptly at 7:00 p.m. Only those issues subject to regulation by the MDE Nontidal Wetlands and Waterway Construction Divisions (impacts to nontidal wetlands, wetland buffer, waterways, and the 100-year floodplain) will be considered in rendering a decision to grant or deny the MDE Permit. Written comments and requests to be included on the interested persons list may be sent by November 28, 2019 to the Maryland Department of the Environment, Attn: Jennifer Bird, 1800 Washington Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21230 or at jennifer.bird@maryland.gov or 410-316-7959. 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.

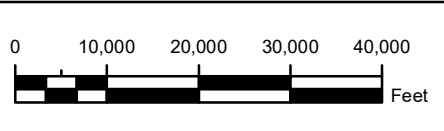




Lilly Run Mitigation Site

Eccleston Mitigation Site

**I-95 ETL Northbound Extension Project
Attachment 1 - Project Location Map**

State of Maryland
ESRI ArcGIS Basemaps



 Mitigation Sites
 I-95 ETL Project Area

Sources: Esri, HERE, DeLorme, USGS, In (Hong Kong), Esri Korea, Esri (Thailand), GIS User Community