



I-95 ETL Northbound Extension Program

MD 24 Northbound Auxiliary Lane Through Singer Road Intersection

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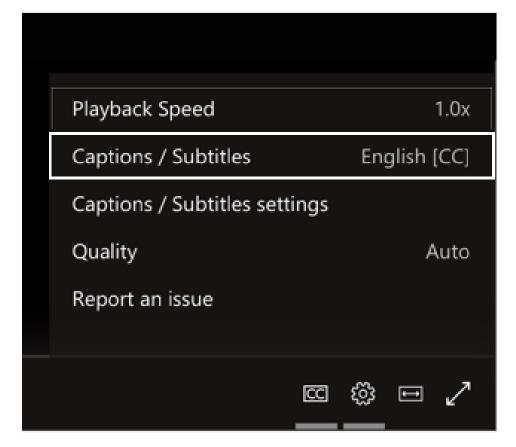
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- Online Comment Form is available on the project website: <u>mdta.maryland.gov/I95ETLNB/home.html</u>
- Project Email: 195ETLNB@mdta.maryland.gov
- Comment forms and feedback are due by January 28







Purpose of Meeting

- Provide information about the MD 24 Northbound Auxiliary Lane Through Singer Road Intersection project as a part of the I-95 ETL Northbound Extension Program
- Provide information about the next steps for potential Noise Wall Improvements







Tonight's Meeting

- I-95 ETL Northbound Extension Program Overview
- MD 24 Northbound Auxiliary Lane through Singer Road Intersection Project Overview
- Major Project Elements
 - Transportation Improvements
 - Potential Noise Walls







Tonight's Meeting

- Anticipated Project Schedule
- Construction Information
- Question & Answer Session
- Stay Connected







I-95 ETL Northbound Extension Program

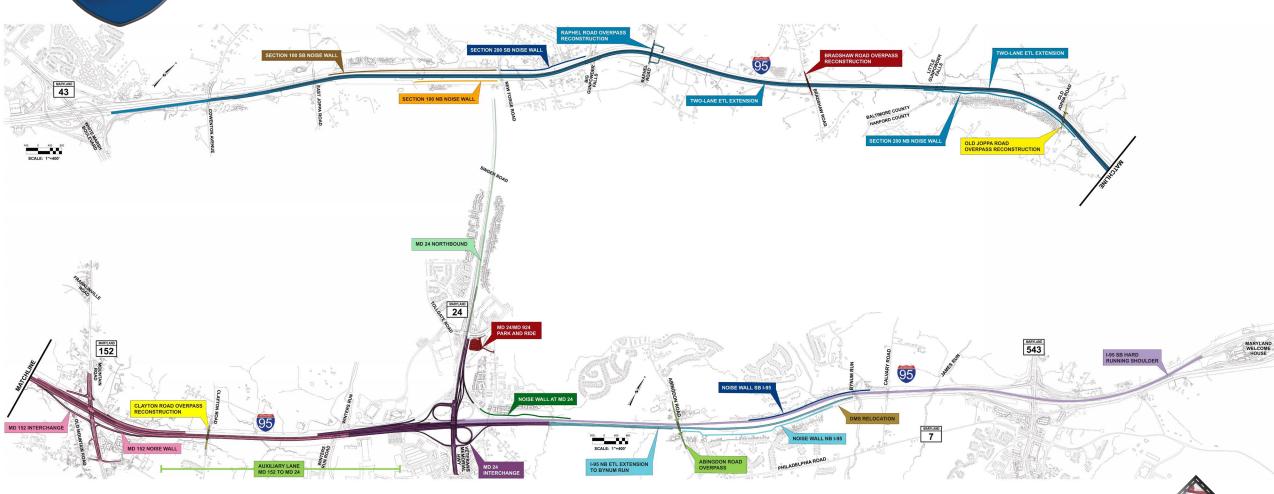
Part of "Baltimore's Traffic Relief Plan" announced by Governor Larry Hogan. The \$1.1 billion expanded program will provide two Express Toll Lanes (ETL) for more than 10 miles from north of MD 43 in Baltimore County to north of MD 24 in Harford County.

These improvements will:

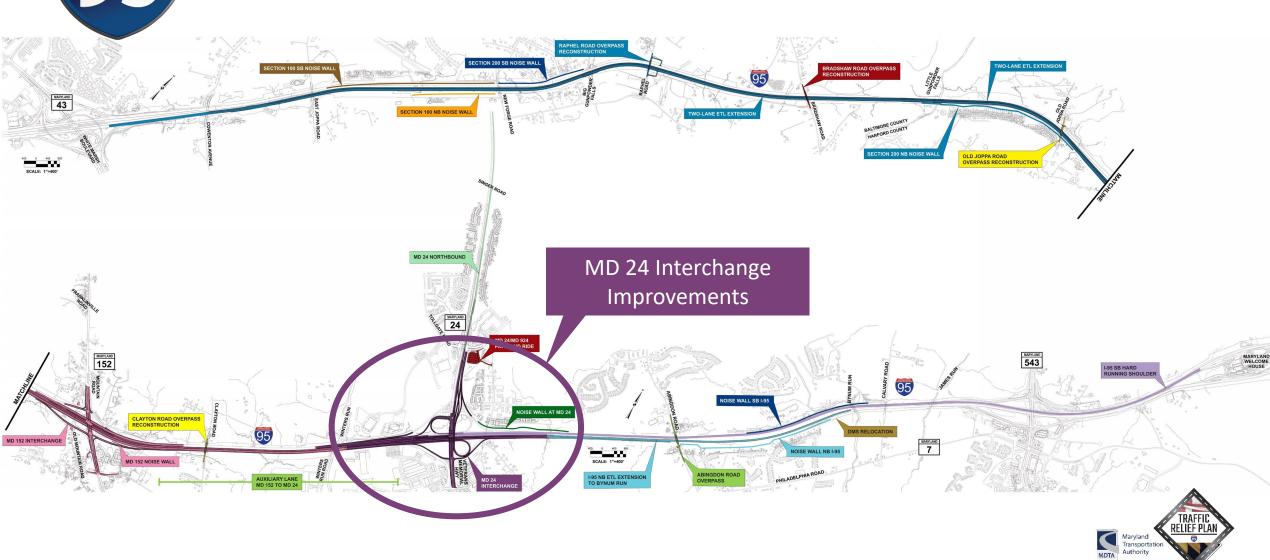
- Provide traffic congestion relief
- Improve safety along the corridor
- Provide better service
- Enhance the quality of life
- Replace or rehabilitate 50-year-old bridges

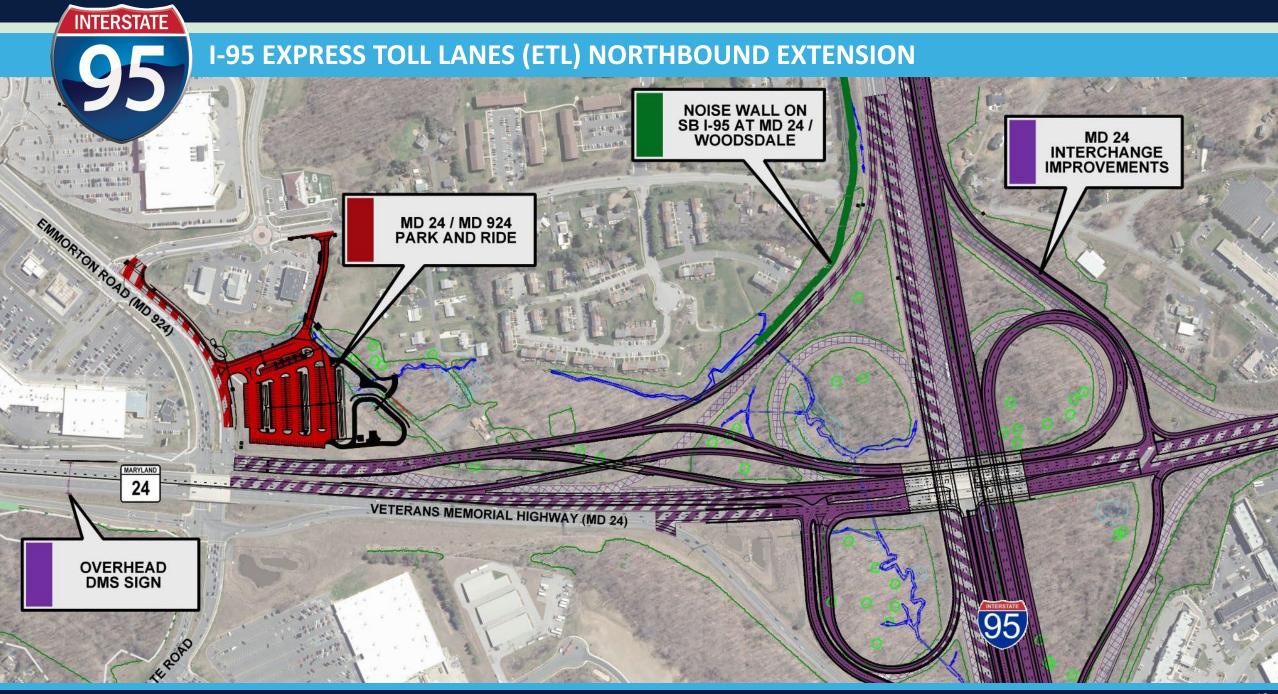














Dynamic Message Sign (DMS)



- Proposed Location on Southbound MD 24 north of MD 924
- Connected to I-95 Intelligent Transportation System (ITS)





Project Benefits





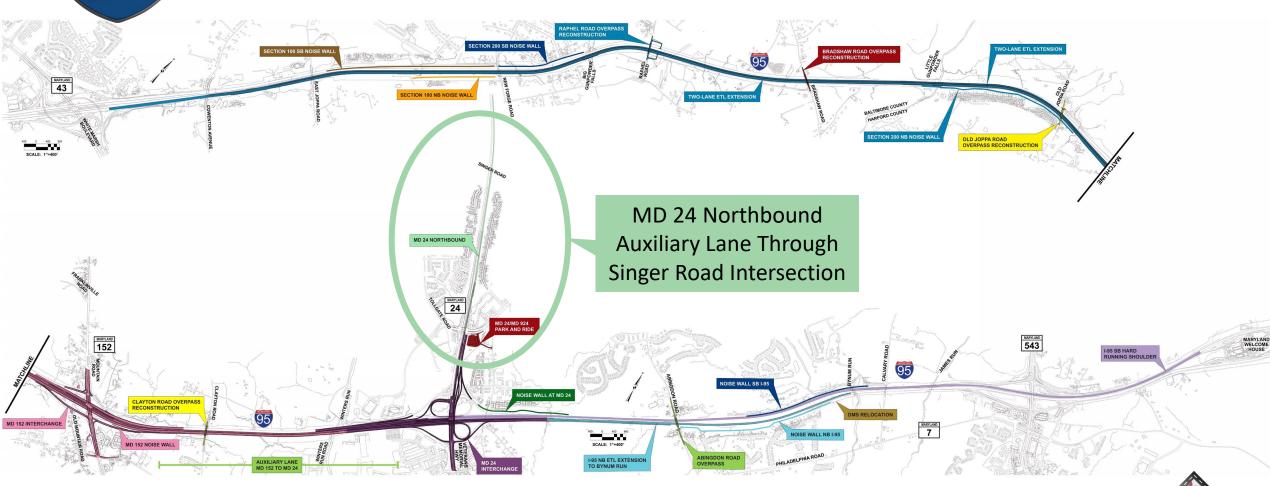


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Increase quality of life







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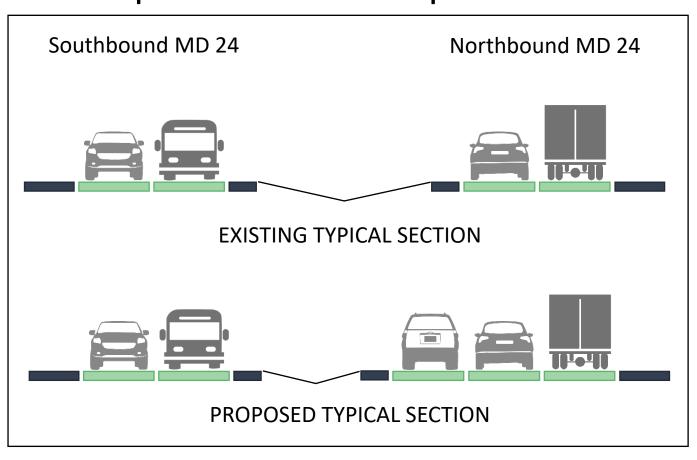
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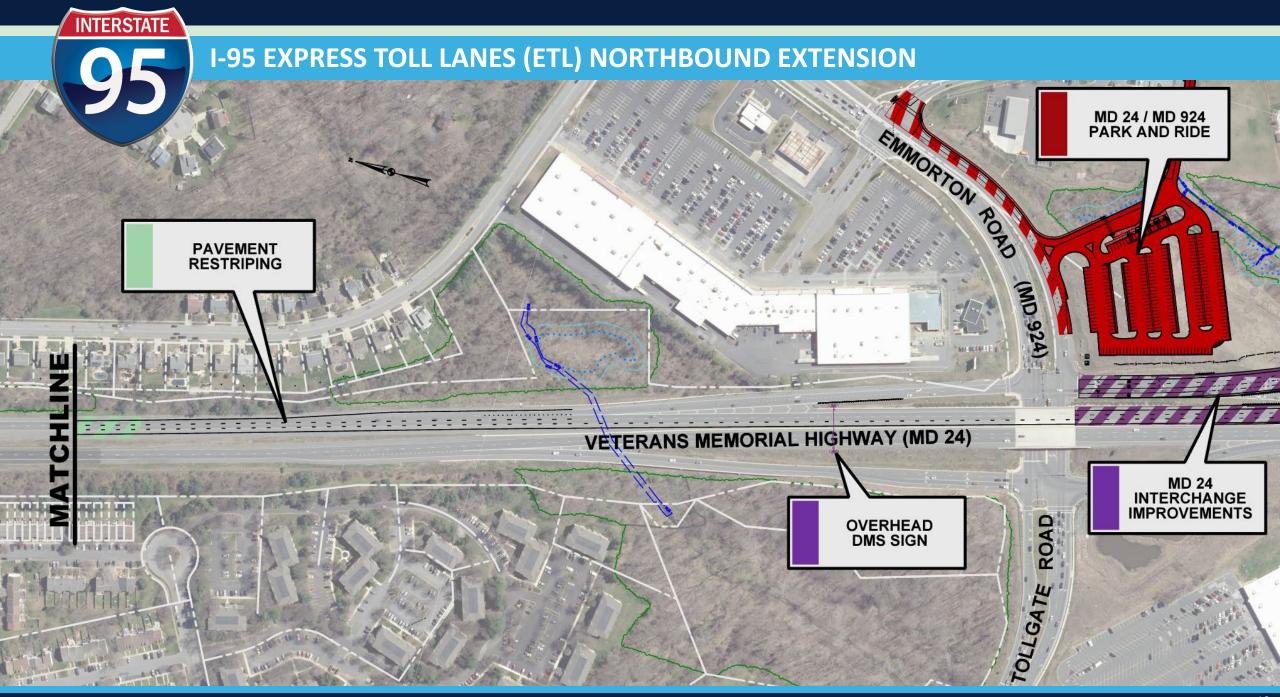


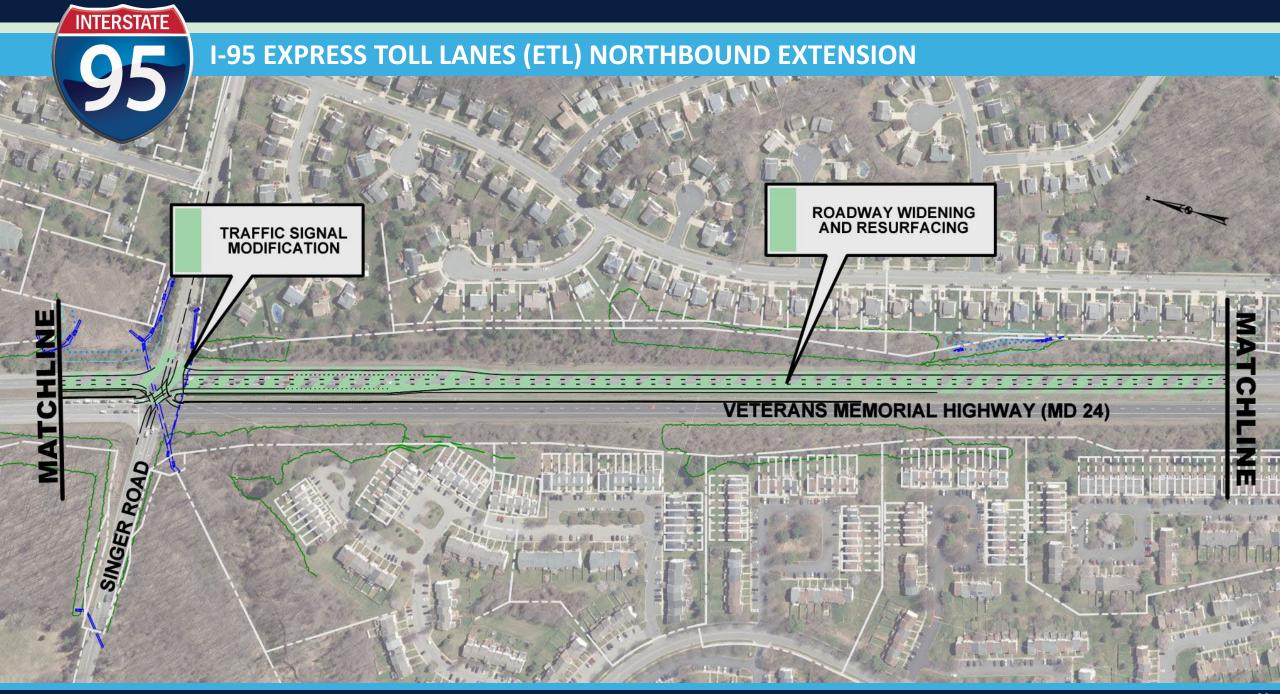
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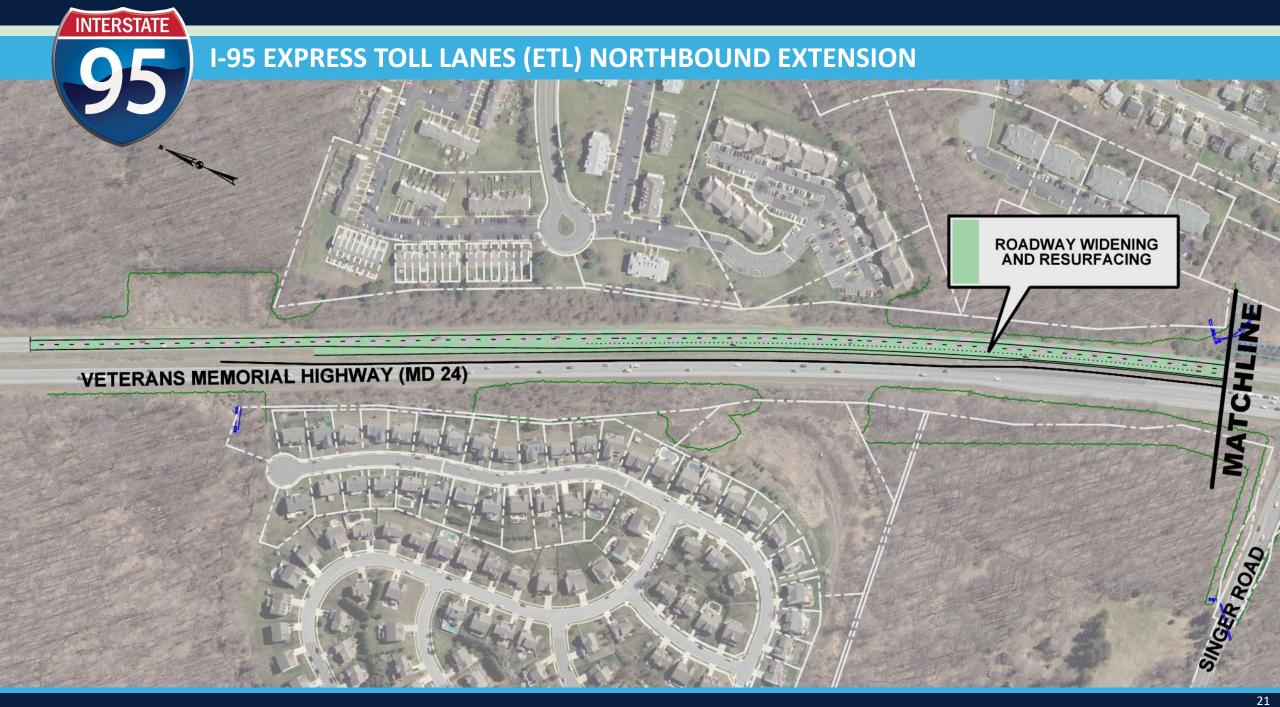


- Extend Auxiliary Lane
 Northbound on MD 24 from
 MD 924 through the Singer
 Road Intersection
- Roadway Widening and Resurfacing
- Traffic Signal Modification at Singer Road











Noise Analysis Process

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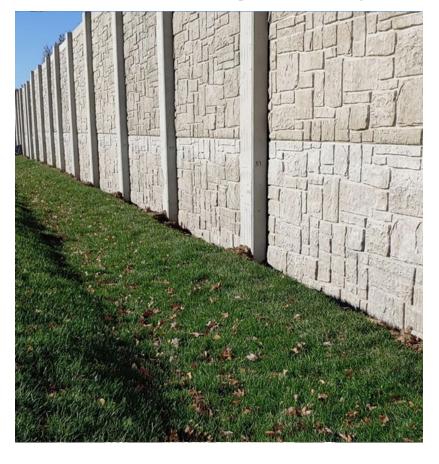
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- IDENTIFY existing areas affected by noise from the highway - these are called Noise Sensitive Areas (NSAs)
- MONITOR existing noise levels
- PREDICT future noise by predicting future traffic volumes
- DETERMINE the degree and extent of traffic noise impacts
- EVALUATE methods to reduce noise impacts



MDOT Highway Noise Policy



- Noise Walls are considered when highway projects result in a 'substantial increase' in noise levels or noise levels over 66 decibels
- Noise Walls must be proven both Feasible and Reasonable based on cost and number of benefitted residences

Noise walls do not eliminate traffic noise but will reduce the level of the traffic noise.





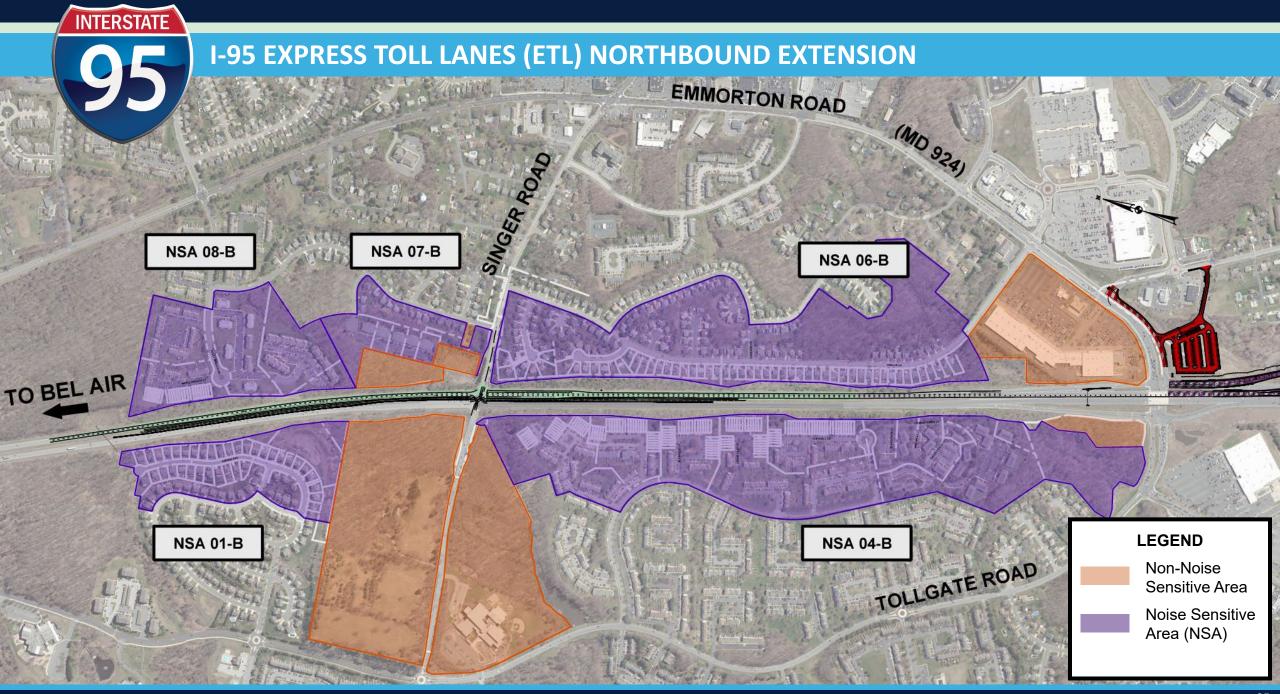


Noise Walls



Existing site conditions, including earth berms and trees, act as natural noise abatement and visual barrier along the project corridor





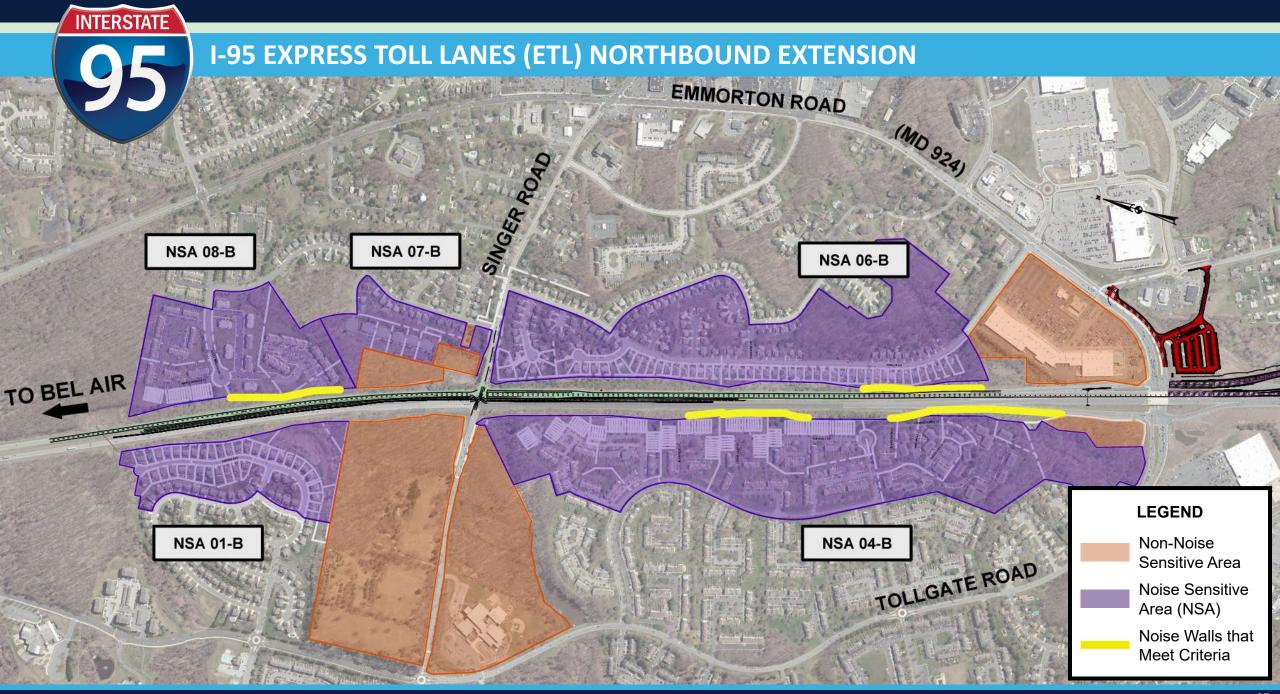


Noise Wall Evaluation



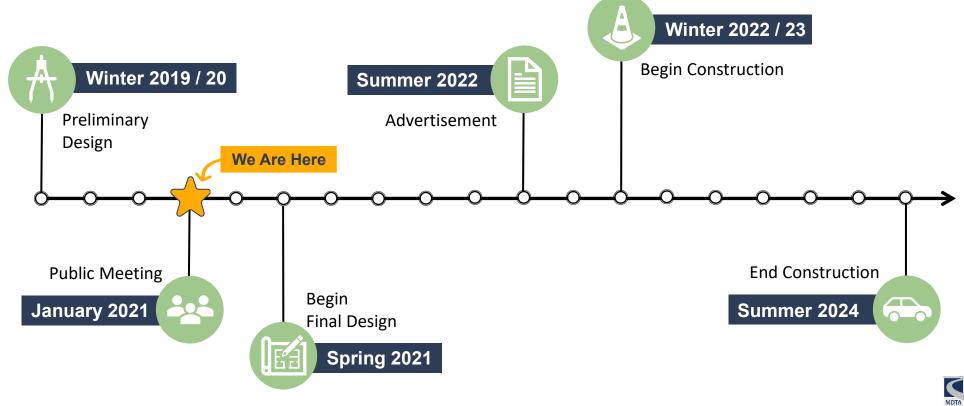
- Noise model developed to evaluate 138 locations along project corridor
- Evaluated to determine areas with significant increases in noise level, or noise levels over 66 dBA
- Three potential noise walls meet State criteria and are both Feasible and Reasonable







Anticipated Project Schedule for the MD 24 Northbound Auxiliary Lane





Construction Information



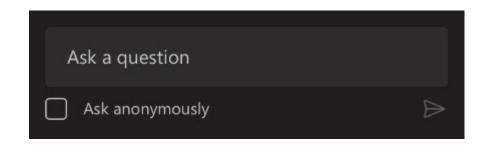
- Construction Start Winter 2022/23
- Estimated Duration18 months
- No Peak Hour Road Closures or Detours
- Occasional Lane Closures
- Shoulder Closures





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