



I-695 Ramps to I-95 Northbound Express Toll Lanes

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As part of the MDTA's efforts to relieve congestion and improve travel along the I-95 corridor in Baltimore and Harford Counties, the MDTA is constructing two ramps that will connect I-695 (Baltimore Beltway) to the northbound Express Toll Lanes (ETL) on I-95. These ramps will connect travelers on I-695 to the northbound ETL, which will extend more than 12 miles to MD 24 by late 2027.

The project will add ramps at the existing interchange of I-695 and I-95 in northeast Baltimore. By handling 5,200 vehicles per day, the new ramps will provide relief for the existing northbound ramps that can experience congestion at the merge point onto I-95. Motorists will have the option of using the general-purpose lanes at no cost or paying a toll to use the ETLs, which are managed to maintain relatively congestion-free traffic flow.

The ramps will be located entirely within the existing interchange with minimal impacts on local communities and traffic on I-695 and I-95 during construction. The MDTA has also committed to conducting stream restoration works within the existing interchange as part of this project.

About Construction

Design began in mid-2022 with construction anticipated to begin in 2027.

The I-695 Ramps to Northbound I-95 ETL Project augments the MDTA's \$1 billion I-95 ETL Northbound Extension Project, which extends the Express Toll Lanes (ETL) along northbound I-95 between MD 43 and MD 24.

Improvements will increase the quality of life for numerous communities with the construction of several new noise walls, the replacement or rehabilitation of seven bridges that are more than 50 years old, water quality improvements, and the construction of two new Park and Ride facilities.

The extension to MD 152 opened to traffic in December 2024, with the full extension to north of MD 24 expected to open to traffic by the end of 2027. Motorists have the option of using the general purpose/non-tolled lanes or using the ETL. The ETL provide a smoother, more reliable commuting experience in exchange for a variable toll allowing motorists to enjoy relatively congestion-free travel and maintain steady speeds including those traveling by transit.

