

## I-95 ETL NORTHBOUND EXTENSION

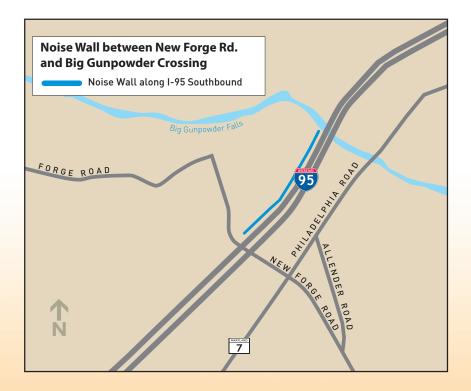
## Southbound I-95 Noise Wall between New Forge Road and Big Gunpowder Crossing

A new noise wall will be constructed along southbound I-95 between New Forge Road and the Big Gunpowder Falls. The wall will extend south from the Big Gunpowder Falls for approximately 2,945 feet. The location of the new noise wall will vary to optimize its effectiveness. Portions of the noise wall will be located along the existing shoulder and portions will transition back to the right-of-way line. The noise wall will enhance the quality of life for the residents in these communities by reducing the noise from the highway. The new noise wall will not eliminate noise, but will reduce the noise level to be within the acceptable ranges as defined by state and federal guidelines. The Maryland Transportation Authority (MDTA) will be extending the Express Toll Lanes (ETL) along northbound I-95 between MD 43 and MD 24, completing more than 10 miles of improvements. Governor Hogan announced the expanded \$1.1 billion program on June 15, 2018. These important traffic-relief initiatives will benefit Marylanders throughout the Baltimore region by giving drivers a safer and more efficient commute. The I-95 ETL north of Baltimore have been very successful, and we are pleased to be able to deliver even more traffic relief.

In addition to the I-95 northbound roadway improvements, the MDTA will replace multiple bridges that are more than 50 years old and provide several new noise walls. The ETL Northbound Extension Program will be completed in multiple segments.

The new noise walls will:

- Include a stone pattern finish
- Vary in height from approximately 16 feet to 24 feet



## **About Construction**

Construction of the noise wall will be completed via access from I-95 with off-peak traffic lane and shoulder closures. The noise wall is anticipated to begin construction in March/April 2021 and be complete in April 2022.

## Noise wall example





