



**Construction Information Meeting for Section 2 & Section 3
Maryland/Delaware State Line to the new US Route 301 Interchange with
Summit Bridge Road
CIM No. 2 April 27, 2016**

Attendees:

Keith McGowan	Dan Foltz
Dick Janney, WILMAPCO	Dominick Carucci
Carl Rifino	Thomas Morgan
Morris Deputy, Town of Middletown	John McGinley
Gregg Tulowitzki, Appoquinimink School District	Mark Reichlin, Hooper Inc.
Glen Tush, Town of Middletown	Barbara Quaglia
Geoff Sundstrom, DelDOT	Rob Dvorak, ISE America
James and Eleanor Schaeffer	Larry Shirk, Wenger Feeds
Earl Scheffel, Jr., WRA	Sonya Comstock
Patti Pecht	Ken Stanley
Tom Clements, GEC	Dave Snook
Paul Puglisi, Puglisi Egg Farms	Javier Torrijos, DelDOT
Dave Charles, Greggo & Ferrara, Inc.	Ken Cimino, DelDOT
Tate Cantwell, Century Engineering	Vince Ruff, DelDOT
Stacey Velazquez, Puglisi Egg Farms	Bob King, DelDOT
John Frey, Allan Meyers	William Powers, NCC
Ruby Dilmore, NCC	Nicole Schuler-Geer

The meeting was commenced at 10:00AM by Public Outreach Coordinator Ken Cimino from DelDOT welcoming all in attendance on behalf of the Delaware Department of Transportation and the US 301 Mainline Project Team.

Ken Cimino then asked each of the US 301 Project Team members to introduce their selves and to also give a brief description of what their position on the 301 Project.

Ken Cimino from DelDOT next addressed the group by reminding all in attendance that this was a Construction Information Meeting being held to discuss the construction of the new US 301 Mainline Project. All other conversations regarding design topics would be answered after the meeting.

Ken Cimino then turned the meeting over to John Frey with Allan Myers to give an update on construction activities that had taken place since the last meeting.

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Or email us at: DOT_US301@state.de.us*

John Frey advised the group that Allan Myers continued to work on the clearing of trees and removal of tree stumps, installing various environmental controls, stripping topsoil, began work on the visual earth berm behind the Spring Arbor Community and constructed the temporary haul road towards the Levels Road borrow pit.

John advised the group that planned construction activities between this meeting and the next meeting in June were to haul fill dirt along the alignment on both sides of Bunker Hill Road, complete most of the earth berm behind the Spring Arbor Community as close to the new Bunker Hill Road Bridge as possible and begin driving piles for the Sandy Branch crossings to the south.

Ken Cimino then turned the meeting over to Dave Charles with Greggo & Ferrara to give an update on construction activities that had taken place since the last meeting.

Dave Charles advised the group that Greggo & Ferrara is continuing to clear trees and remove stumps, install erosion and sediment controls, strip top soil and drive test piles for the Levels Road Bridge.

Dave advised the group that planned construction activities between this meeting and the next meeting in June were to begin construction of storm water management ponds and associated drainage structures, continue work on the Levels Road Bridge and begin excavation and hauling of dirt into the Maryland portion of the project.

Ken Cimino thanked both Jon Frey and Dave Charles for their presentations and moved onto the next topic of night shift construction activities.

John Frey from Allan Myers indicated that they would begin hauling dirt as soon as possible. Allan Myers intends to haul dirt until 9:00PM on weekdays and 10:00PM on weekends.

Dave Charles from Greggo & Ferrara advised the group that they did not anticipate any night shift activities along the Section 3 Project at this time.

Ken Cimino gave a brief update on the Departments Community Outreach efforts since the previous meeting by noting that several working groups have been formed. These groups include the Emergency Services Working Group, Spring Arbor Working Group and the Section 3 Agricultural Working Group.

Project Team members were scheduled to give a presentation to the Middletown Chamber of Commerce this afternoon.

Ken Cimino then opened the floor for questions and discussion.

Keith McGowan asked why the project was scheduled for three years and not five years. What is the meaning behind the \$1.3 Million loss the Department would suffer if the project isn't completed by December 2018?

Javier Torrijos from DelDOT responded that the dollar figure represents lost revenue from tolls not being collected if the road doesn't open by the end of 2018.

A resident inquired if a berm would be constructed at Bohemia Mill Road.

Ken Cimino responded that there are no plans at this time to construct an earth berm at this location.

A resident inquired if trucks would still be able to use old/existing US 301.

The Project Team responded yes, that because it is part of the Federal Highway System it could not be restricted from truck traffic.

Another resident inquired if truckers will stay on and continue to be on the old/existing US 301.

Councilman William Powers, New Castle County District 6, responded that trucks will remain on existing/old US 301.

A resident inquired if Middle Neck road would be closed permanently.

The Project Team responded no, only for a time during re-alignment and construction of the new US 301 at Middleneck Road.

A resident inquired as to why the equipment from Allan Myers isn't available at this time for all excavation and hauling activities.

John Frey from Allan Myers responded that they were just given access to the Levels Road Pit, they needed to install all preliminary erosion and sediment controls prior to commencing excavation and they needed to construct a wetland access road across the Sandy Branch.

A resident from the Spring Arbor Community asked if the Department has had conversations regarding the Noise Waiver with Town Hall and New Castle County.

Javier Torrijos made reference to a letter that the Department received from Mayor Branner which in part read "the Town of Middletown holds no jurisdiction over the State of Delaware's Department of Transportation, so your request for a waiver is moot". Javier also advised the resident that a meeting with New Castle County was scheduled for the week of May 2nd.

A resident from Spring Arbor inquired as to who does have jurisdiction over DelDOT.

Javier Torrijos responded that the Secretary of Transportation, Jennifer Cohan, has that jurisdiction.

Dan Foltz inquired how far the earth berm behind Spring Arbor was being constructed.

John Frey from Allan Myers responded that the earth berm would eventually extend all the way to Bunker Hill Road.

Keith McGowan inquired if the road bed construction was occurring along with the berm construction.

John Frey from Allan Myers responded no, we are constructing the earth berm first.

Paul Puglisi inquired about the schedule to close Middle Neck Road.

Dave Charles from Greggo & Ferrara responded that Middle Neck Road was tentatively scheduled to close around May 15th.

A resident inquired about the status of the Spur Road.

Javier Torrijos responded that there were no intentions to construct the Spur Road under this contract.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 29, 2016 at 7:00PM in the Middletown Town Hall.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00AM.