



**Construction Information Meeting for Section 2 & Section 3
Maryland/Delaware State Line to the new US Route 301 Interchange with
Summit Bridge Road
February 24, 2016**

Attendees:

Reba and Mark Businsky	Ed Bachtell
Michael Herman	Nancy Terranova
Ken Sutton	John Curtis
Megan Maule	Linda Kiesel
James and Eleanor Shaeffer	Janice Harrison
Kathy McGuire	Ed and Carole Herman
Dick Janney	Agnes T. Murray
Wayne L. Serfass	Don Nolte
James Lee, Jr.	Dan and Penny Foltz
Kevin Gephart, Colonial School District	Sean Finan, AECOM
Harold and Rachel Davis	Ed Heinold
Carol and Trevor Babodal	Rosita Lee
Don and Pat Nardy	William Alfree
Gregg Tulowitzky, Appoquinimink School District	Diana and Harry McCummiskey
A. Irvin	Joanne Armstrong
Diane Gunn, DelDOT	Mark Buckalew, DelDOT
Jonathan Ledger, DelDOT	Tom Clements, GEC
Bob King, DelDOT	Ken Cimino, DelDOT
Geoff Sundstrom, DelDOT	Chris McKew, Allan Myers
H. Walter Schultz	William F. Stout
Dave and Mary Sergermark	Glen Tush
Brad Barrie	Wade Martineau
John McGinley	Barbara Quaglia
Stan Downward	John Stipo
Bob Thompson	John and Mildred Popels
Vincent Passacaqua	Bonnie Bauerle
Ed Nocket	Joe Shaffner
Dan Bielat	Jacksie Pells
Ronald Urban	Al and Janet Grimminger

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

Attendees Continued:

Charles Dixon, Jr.
Harry Mowey
Scott McAdam

Nick McNatt
Mahlandt Kircher

The meeting commenced at 10:10AM with Ken Cimino from DeIDOT welcoming all in attendance on behalf of the Delaware Department of Transportation and the US 301 Mainline Project Team.

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

Ken Cimino from DeIDOT next addressed the group by detailing what the intent of the Construction Information Meeting was and what type of format it would take. Ken explained that these meetings will be held bi-monthly to update the community on what construction activities have taken place since the project was awarded and what construction activities are anticipated to take place between now and the next meeting. These meetings are also being held for the public to ask questions and get answers regarding the construction of the new US 301 Mainline Project.

Ken Cimino continued by noting that the meetings were not being held to revisit issues that came up during the planning and design phases of the project. In an effort to keep the meeting on point, Ken advised the group that if anyone in attendance had questions regarding the planning or design phase of the project that DeIDOT Design Staff would answer those questions after the meeting was adjourned.

Diane Gunn, DeIDOT Lead Designer for the US 301 Mainline Project gave a brief overview of the Section 2 and Section 3 Contracts. Section 2A was awarded to Allan Meyers, who has a representative here today. Contract 2B is scheduled to be advertised in August of 2016 and Contract 3 was awarded to Greggo and Ferrara, who have not commenced work as of this meeting.

Ken Cimino next asked Chris McKew from Allan Myers to update the group on progress since they were given a notice to proceed.

Chris McKew began by telling the group that Allan Myers continues to work on the submittal process and install Erosion and Sediment Controls.

Chris McKew of Allan Myers next advised the group of construction activities that are anticipated to take place over the next two months. These activities include grubbing (removal of tree stumps and roots), installation of pipe and drainage basins, installation of sediment traps, stripping topsoil and begin construction of the earth berm behind the Spring Arbor Community in late March.

Ken Cimino from DelDOT updated the group on the Departments Community/Public outreach efforts since the beginning of the New Year. The DelDOT Project Team has had meetings with the Appoquinimink School District, the Colonial School District, St. Georges Technical High School, Appoquinimink High school, Bunker Hill Elementary School and residents from the surrounding communities. The Department has also held meetings with the local Fire Departments in an effort to keep them updated on the status of the project regarding road closures and daily lane closures.

Ken Cimino mentioned that he has future outreach meetings scheduled with the MOT Charter Schools and all of the local Volunteer Fire Companies.

Ken Cimino advised the group that they could receive weekly project updates directly from him by completing the email address portion of the sign in sheet. Ken also advised the group that his business cards were on the table next to the sign in sheets and that they could email or telephone him at any time should they have questions or concerns regarding the project.

Ken Cimino opened the floor for discussion.

Mario Corea, representing one of the trade unions asked Chris McKew from Allan Myers what percentage of the work force were local hires.

Chris McKew responded that fifty percent of the hires were local.

Scott McAdam asked Chris McKew to describe the earth berm.

Chris responded that it would be constructed with topsoil to a height of sixteen feet above the final roadway grade.

Jacksie Pells asked a question about the earth berm and its design.

Ken Cimino of DelDOT reiterated that we would not be discussing any topics regarding the design or planning phases of this project. Ken advised Ms. Pells that staff would answer her question after the meeting.

Mike Herman asked how the new US 301 would tie in at the Maryland Line and if the inspection station would be open.

Diane Gunn responded that it would match the existing 4 lane highway in Maryland and that the inspection station would remain open.

Harry Money asked if Strawberry lane was going to be closed during the construction of the new US 301.

Diane Gunn from DelDOT responded that yes it would be and that there is information on the US 301 Project website at <http://www.deldot.gov/information/projects/us301>

Mark Buckalew from DelDOT responded that he is working closely with the farming community on this topic.

Dan Bielet asked Chris McKew if the bad weather had affected the schedule.

Chris responded no, they are still on schedule.

Al Grimminger thanked DeIDOT staff for doing everything possible to get accurate information out to the public.

Next Meeting – April 27, 2016 at 10:00AM at the Middletown Town Hall.

These notes represent the author's understanding of the meeting. If there are any revisions or corrections, please notify the author in writing within 10 business days of receiving these notes.