



Silver Spring CAT Meeting
Silver Spring International Middle School
10/10/2019

When will full closures of Colesville Road near the Silver Spring Transit Center start? Businesses would like advanced notice of detours.

Response: Closures are expected to begin at the end of January 2020. Notifications will be distributed electronically. Sign up for [construction updates](#).

What is the timeframe for Spring Street work?

Response: This bridge is related to the Colesville Road detour so work at Spring Street is expected to start in the Spring of 2020 once impacts to Colesville Road are alleviated.

Are some of the Ride On bus stops being relocated and if so, to where?

Response: Level 1 of the SSTC will be impacted when the crane is sitting in the middle of Colesville Road so any buses that would normally arrive and depart from Level 1 will have their stops moved to either Bonifant Street between the transit center and Georgia Ave or on northbound Colesville Road.

Will there still be some buses that use the transit center or are all of them being relocated?

Response: All Level 1 buses will be relocated. Level 2 buses will continue their current usage of the transit center.

The Red Line platform is now open and exposed to weather. Will the new design and construction improve conditions for commuters on the platform?

Response: It is anticipated that there will be more shelter from the elements once construction is complete.

Will the CCT bridge have separation between cyclists and pedestrians?

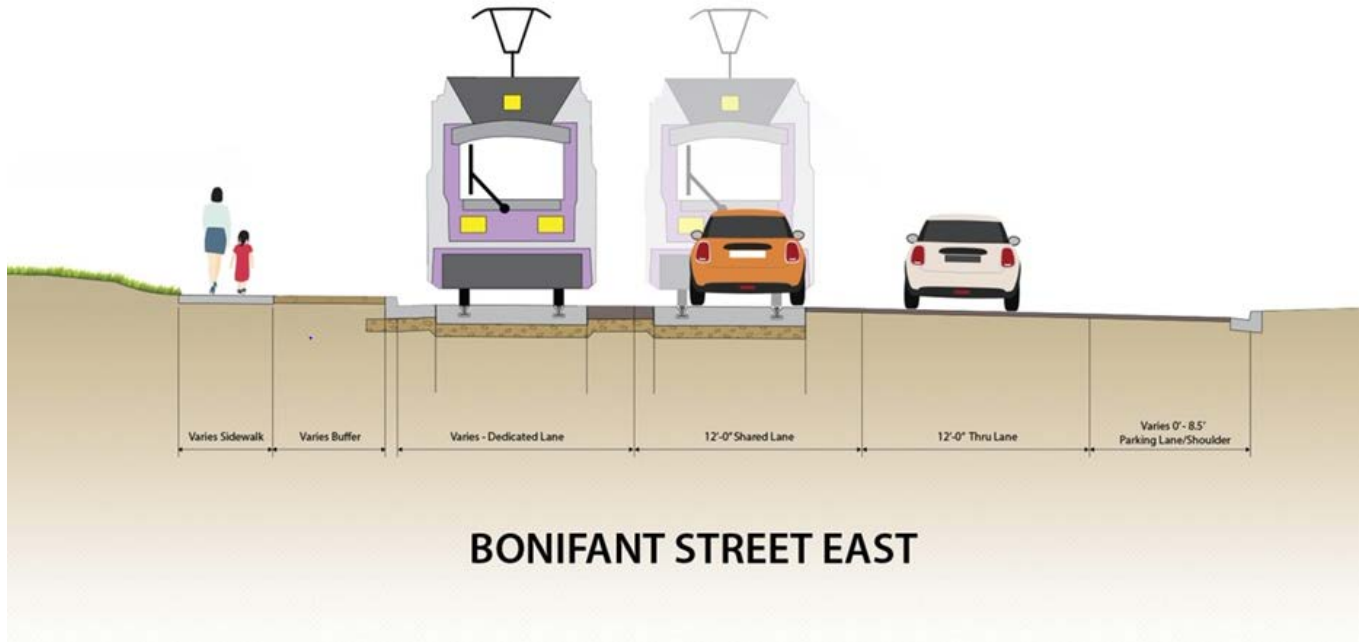
Response: No, the bridge and trail are a mixed-use facility.

Are utilities on Bonifant Street being placed under the sidewalk?

Response: Yes. Some gas, communications, Pepco and water service utilities will have locations along Bonifant Street in which they will be relocated under the existing/future sidewalk.

Can the project provide a profile of Bonifant Street showing final lane configuration similar to what was provided for Wayne Avenue on Slide 43?

Response:



On Bonifant Street east, the new utility poles have moved further into the sidewalks and pinch access. What can be done there?

Response: Old poles will be removed once utilities are transferred. The construction of wider (5') sidewalks is included in the of scope of work.

Comment: Bonifant businesses again request that weekend work take place on Sundays instead of Saturdays, the busiest day of the week.

Response: Per Purple Line Transit Partners' contract, Saturday and Sundays are allowable workdays but Saturdays will be used for weather related make-up days.

Will old utility poles closer to the road along Wayne Avenue be relocated or removed?

Response: Most poles will get relocated once all utilities, including power and telecommunications, get transferred to the new poles. Individual location questions will be addressed by PLTC at the homeowner's request.

How many lanes will Wayne Avenue have in the final configuration?

Response: Wayne Avenue will have 5 lanes total - 2 in each direction and a 1 turn lane.

What aesthetic improvements are planned for Wayne Avenue to help compensate for tree removal?

Response: The project will add new landscaping and there will be Art in Transit at the new Dale Drive station.

With the Sligo Creek Pkwy detour routing traffic onto Dale Drive, the crosswalk at Dale and Dartmouth is expected to present more of a hazard for pedestrians. Who can the community work with to address concerns?

Response: PLTC and Montgomery County are currently addressing the community's concerns jointly. While the crosswalk at Dale and Dartmouth is outside of PLTC's Limit-of-Disturbance (LOD) and no Purple Line-related construction will be taking place in this area, PLTC understands the community's concerns about increased vehicular traffic on Dale once the Sligo Creek Pkwy detour is implemented next spring and is working with Montgomery County Department of Transportation officials and community members to ensure the safety of this crossing for pedestrians.

How much wider will Wayne Avenue get?

Response: Width of Wayne Avenue varies depending on location but will have an additional lane. If you have questions about specific areas along Wayne Ave. please contact Carla Julian at outreach@pltcllc.com or 240-424-5325.

Recently both sidewalks were closed on Wayne Avenue. Has that issue been resolved?

Response: Yes. As stated in the CATS Meeting, this was a miscommunication, specifically with a subcontractor of PLTC. PLTC's Construction Team has since met with the subcontractor's Management Team to emphasize maintaining pedestrian mobility and to mitigate reoccurrence.

Will the Sligo Creek Trail be kept open?

Response: Yes, the trail is not expected to have long-term closures. Flagging may be necessary on occasion and will occur independent of any roadway closures. If trail closures are needed it will be coordinated with Montgomery County Parks.

How will PLTC communicate messages to residents who don't sign up for updates?

Response: Purplelinemd.com provides the ability to sign-up for construction updates delivered electronically via email or text. Updates are also posted on the [website](#).

If you have construction questions please contact PLTC at the 24-hotline (240-424-5325) or outreach@pltcllc.com. For general project questions contact the MTA Outreach team at 443-451-3706 or outreach@purplelinemd.com.

In addition, all official detours will be signed and variable message boards will be placed for public information in advance of implementation.

Do tree planting restrictions detailed in the presentation such as offsets to catenary system, edge of track, or utility relocations apply to private property?

Response: While PLTC cannot enforce what private property owners wish to do on their property in terms of plantings, it is recommended that property owners are aware of these planting restrictions and avoid planting trees in at-risk locations.

Can project share the updated forest conservation plan?

Response: Updated plans can be found on the project website under [Studies](#).

Will stumps within the limit of disturbance (LOD) be ground down?

Response: Yes.

Who administers the project website?

Response: PLTC manages the construction information posted to the site, MDOT MTA manages the rest of the site.