



MD 355 (Rockville Pike) at Randolph/Montrose Road Project Information



Montgomery County, Maryland

November 2008

Project Update

New Detour Road Scheduled to open end of November

The Maryland Department of Transportation's State Highway Administration (SHA) is planning to open the temporary detour road along the east side of MD 355 at Randolph/Montrose Road. Weather permitting, the road should be open by the end of November.

On or about Saturday, November 15 northbound MD 355 traffic will be shifted to the temporary detour road. Southbound traffic will be shifted to the detour road a week later, on or about Thursday, November 20. Motorists who use East Jefferson Street to access northbound MD 355 will be detoured to Executive Boulevard back to northbound MD 355 during the week it will take to complete the traffic shift

The detour road is the next step in the \$47.2 million interchange project in Montgomery County. The new interchange will eliminate the current traffic signal and carry Rockville Pike to travel over the newly constructed Montrose Parkway/Relocated Randolph Road.

SHA will provide police direction, variable message signs, drums, and arrow boards to guide motorists through the work zone during the traffic shift. Weather permitting the entire project is expected to be complete late-fall 2010.

Choose Safety for Life★

Each year, hundreds of people lose their lives in crashes. SHA wants you to remember that everyone can arrive home safe by following five basic rules of the road:

- B – Buckle up.**
- S – Slow down...speeding kills.**
- A – Always drive sober.**
- F – Focus.**
- E – Everyone share the road.**

For more information on road safety, log onto www.choosesafetyforlife.com

Work Zone Safety

SHA advises motorists to plan for extra driving time traveling through the construction zone on MD 355 at Randolph/Montrose Road. SHA will use variable message signs, barrels and cones to guide motorists through the work zones and reminds motorists to buckle up, and stay alert for lane closures. SHA constructs work zones to be as safe as possible, motorists also have an important role to play in reducing work zone-related crashes and saving lives. Here are some suggestions to guide motorists safely through work zones:

- Stay Alert
- Plan Ahead
- Slow Down
- Think Orange

Questions/Comments

Want to be up to date on the latest project information? Sign up for quarterly updates. Send an e-mail to KFrum@sha.state.md.us requesting to be added to the project e-list, please include the project name and your contact information.

SHA representatives are also available to meet with your civic or home owner's association. Please notify SHA at least two weeks in advance of the meeting.

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