



**Glenridge/New Carrollton CAT Meeting**  
**Glenridge Elementary School**  
**05/15/18**

**Question: Will there still be three lanes at Veterans Parkway and Annapolis Road once construction is completed?**

Response: Yes, there will once the highway is in the final lane configuration.

**Question: Please address the fact that there's no light at Ellin Road and Veterans Parkway? How long will that closure be in place? (Multiple community concerns were expressed about the detour around Ellin Road.)**

Response: That's correct, temporarily there will not be a light at this location because that portion of Ellin Road will be closed for Purple Line track installation. The closure is scheduled to occur over a four-month period.

**Question: People are driving too fast on Veterans Parkway near Ellin Road; is it possible to consider keeping that traffic signal to prevent commuters from driving too fast?**

Response: Veteran's Parkway is owned by the Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA) and any decision on a traffic signal would need to be made by SHA.

**Question: In August, while construction work is ongoing, and the detour is in place, where and how will school buses enter and exit the neighborhood near Ellin Road? When will coordination take place?**

Response: School buses will have to avoid the closed portion of Ellin Road and follow signed detours. Purple Line team will conduct outreach to school districts and bus drivers to discuss anticipated routes during construction activities. The project team will reach out to local officials to initiate discussion of school bus routes.

**Question: Can we turn the traffic signal at Ellin Road and Veterans Parkway into a flashing light if the traffic signal is removed.**

Response: Veterans Parkway is a SHA roadway and any decision on a traffic signal would need to be made by SHA. The Project Team will provide SHA feedback from this meeting, so they are aware of concerns the residents have expressed.

**Question: West Lanham Estates Community Safety, what traffic study was conducted for this area as part of the project?**

Response: We understand SHA has investigated this issue and according to Dannielle Glaros' aid, agreed to put "Do not block the intersection" signs above the intersection.

**Question: Will there be improvements made to the pedestrian crossing from Emerson to New Carrollton station?**

Response: The intersection at Emerson will remain as it is now with a stop sign at the conclusion of the project; however, the entire parking lot at the New Carrollton Metro Station will be redesigned and rebuilt as a part of the Purple Line project's connections to the Amtrak, Metro and MARC stations. Coordination with WMATA on bus staging is taking place and an additional light will be installed at Hanson Oaks and Ellin Road.

**Question: How soon will signage be installed alerting commuters of the new traffic pattern?**

Response: We have a process that requires the project to place signage 30-days in advance of traffic shifts occurring.

**Question: Residents can't see from Ellin Road on to Emerson Road due to the road grading. Residents are requesting a traffic signal be installed.**

Response: This is a SHA issue and we will raise the issue with SHA to see anything can be done to address resident concerns. The community should also reach out to SHA on these concerns as well.

**Question: Will there be any traffic control measures put in place near West Lanham Estates during lane closures?**

Response: A traffic study was conducted to ensure the timely flow of traffic during construction activities. Residents in the area will need to follow detours during temporary lane closures.

The meeting concluded with discussion surrounding a follow-up meeting at the Purple Line project office in Riverdale. Many community members requested to see the project plans and the project explained it is best to have a separate meeting for those that would like to see those in the project office where there are better resources. Also, there were several residents and PG County staff who requested that SHA staff attend future CAT meetings.