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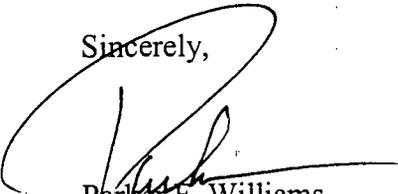
The Honorable Paula Colodny Hollinger  
Senate of Maryland  
Miller Senate Building  
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11 Bladen Street  
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Dear Senator Hollinger:

This letter is a follow-up to the State Highway Administration's (SHA) June 4 informational meeting conducted for the Country Club Park community in Baltimore County regarding the planned sound barrier project along northbound I-83. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with this update. As indicated at the meeting, SHA requires that 75 percent of the impacted homeowners must be in favor of the barrier project. The Country Club Park community has reached the 75 percent concurrence. Details regarding the construction schedule for the sound barrier project will be forthcoming.

Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
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cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
Ms. Natalie B. Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
Mr. Gary Wantz, Project Engineer, Office of Highway Design, State Highway Administration

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May 7, 2001

The Honorable Paula Colodny Hollinger  
Senate of Maryland  
Miller Senate Office Building  
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11 Bladen Street  
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Dear Senator Hollinger:

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for the Country Club Park community regarding the proposed sound barrier along northbound I-83, to the north of Seminary Avenue, in Baltimore County. The meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 4, 2001, from 7 to 9 p.m., at the Ridgely Middle School, 121 East Ridgely Road, Lutherville-Timonium, Maryland. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

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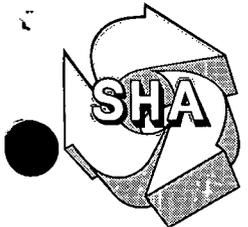
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December 5, 2001

Ms. Terri S. Hruby  
Community Planner  
Department of Planning and Community Development  
City of Greenbelt  
thruby@ci.greenbelt.md.us

Dear Ms. Hruby:

This is a follow-up to your recent e-mail message to the State Highway Administration (SHA) regarding information about highway traffic noise and its mitigation. I appreciate the opportunity to respond to your inquiry.

The State Highway Administration (SHA) considers the need for sound barriers in two circumstances, designated "Type I" and "Type II." In "Type I" situations, barriers are considered when a new highway is being built or an existing highway is being expanded. We do so to comply with environmental laws that were passed in the 1970s that require the evaluation of a range of potential environmental impacts, including noise. Under these laws, SHA performs an environmental analysis to determine if future noise levels will equal or exceed the impact threshold of 66 decibels and will increase by at least three decibels over the condition of *not* improving the highway, and, if so, whether those noise levels can be reduced for a reasonable cost. Affected homes must predate the approval of the highway improvements. The basis for the requirement of a minimum of a three decibel change is that the human ear can only begin to discern sound level changes between three and five decibels.

When a highway already exists and is *not* being expanded—so that Type I criteria do not apply—a community that predates the original highway may be considered for a "Type II," or "retrofit," barrier. The intent of the Type II program is to address areas of noise impact along highways that were built before environmental analyses became a part of the highway development process and where access to the highway is by interchange rather than at-grade intersections. All of the following technical criteria must be met for a barrier to be approved: the majority of homes must predate the highway; existing noise levels must equal or exceed the 66 decibel impact threshold; and an effective barrier must be able to be built for \$50,000 or less per benefited home. If these criteria are met, the County in which the community is located must have an ordinance that addresses the impact of noise on new residential development, and the County must agree to fund 20 percent of the barrier cost.

My telephone number is \_\_\_\_\_

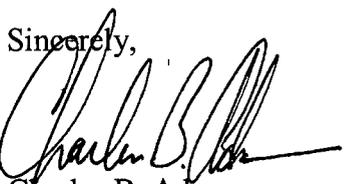
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Would you please have the citizen that contacted your office please contact Mr. James Hade, our Noise Abatement Team Leader, at 410-545-8599 or 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at [jhade@sha.state.md.us](mailto:jhade@sha.state.md.us), in order for us to be able respond directly. If the community pre-dates a full controlled-access highway but our research determines that it is not feasible to construct a sound barrier near the citizen's community, there may be screen planting alternatives that can be investigated. We need to caution that a screen planting will not reduce traffic noise levels. The Federal Highway Administration indicates that it would take a 200 foot deep band of dense, fully mature evergreen trees to reduce highway traffic noise levels by 10 decibels, which would, to the human ear, reduce the highway traffic noise levels by half.

Thank you for your e-mail message and interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Hade. He will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,  


Charles B. Adams  
Director  
Office of Environmental Design

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**From:** TED SEVERE  
**To:** internet: thruby@ci.greenbelt.md.us  
**Subject:** Response to recent e-mail message to the State Highway Administration

Ms. Hruby: Mr. Charles Adams, Director of the Office of Environmental Design, has asked me to forward his response to your recent e-mail message.

T.E. Severe  
Administrative Assistant  
Noise Abatement Team  
Office of Environmental Design  
Maryland State Highway Administration

December 5, 2001

Ms. Terri S. Hruby  
Community Planner  
Department of Planning and Community Development  
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Sincerely,

Charles B. Adams  
Director  
Office of Environmental Design

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Mr. Charlie K. Watkins, District Engineer, State Highway Administration

CC: JIM HADE

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**From:** "Terri Hruby" <thruby@ci.greenbelt.md.us>  
**To:** <barrier@sha.state.md.us>  
**Date:** 10/29/01 10:18AM  
**Subject:** Highway Noise Complaint

Hello, my name is Terri Hruby and I am a Community Planner for the City of Greenbelt. I was hoping that you may be able to provide me with some direction. I have a resident who is complaining about highway noise levels in his neighborhood. It is an older neighborhood that does not directly abut the Beltway, but you clearly can hear Beltway traffic noise from his home. The resident has contacted me regarding what recourse he has. From my perspective there is not much we as a city can do. Although the property owner disagrees with me, I believe there is substantial amount of vegetation that offers some relief from the noise. I would appreciate any assistance you could provide. I noticed on your website that in some cases SHA can offer alternatives to help reduce noise levels. How does one go about getting SHA to assist in addressing Highway Noise complaints/concerns.

Thank you for your assistance and I look forward to hearing back from you.

Sincerely,  
Terri S. Hruby  
Community Planner  
301-345-5417

*need name & address of complainant —  
our research is address/locate - done*

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**From:** Sound Barrier  
**To:** JIM HADE  
**Date:** 10/29/01 10:18AM  
**Subject:** Highway Noise Complaint (Barrier Forward)

Team mates:

The attached has been automatically forwarded to you from the Sound Barrier Web Page.

Thanks  
Jim

**CC:** KEN POLCAK; NATALIE HARDY; TED SEVERE



Maryland Department of Transportation  
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October 23, 2001

The Honorable James W. Hubbard  
Maryland House of Delegates  
208 Lowe House Office Building  
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Hubbard:

This letter is a follow-up to the October 10 informational meeting, hosted by the State Highway Administration (SHA) at Thomas Johnson Middle School, regarding the proposed sound barriers for the Westgate Woods and Holmehurst West communities along MD 450 in Prince George's County. I wish to provide the following information from the meeting.

The State Highway Administration is following up with those homeowners who were unable to attend the meeting by providing them with the materials distributed at the meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the sound barrier plans for the residences that will be impacted by high levels of traffic noise anticipated to occur as a result of the future improvements to MD 450 adjacent to the two communities. We also wanted to determine that at least 75 percent of those impacted property owners approve of the sound barrier placement. Approximately 17 homeowners attended the meeting.

Enclosed are copies of the distributed materials, including: the meeting's agenda; an information sheet listing typical noises in the environment; plan sheets of both communities with the sound barriers' locations, current noise levels, and proposed noise level reduction; cross-section views of the communities; a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*; and a copy of the list of all homeowners who were invited to the meeting. Also, for those homeowners who will be impacted by highway traffic noise, we included a postage-paid ballot on which they should indicate their approval or disapproval of the proposed sound barrier project. We requested that the ballot be returned by November 16, 2001.

For Westgate Woods, two issues were brought up: an investigation of the need for a noise-absorptive surface on the sound barrier; and whether adjacent residents' backyard fences could be extended to the proposed sound barrier, so as to enhance security. For Holmehurst West, it was asked if the schedule for the sound barrier could be advanced, because the highway improvements have been completed. These issues will be analyzed and the results forwarded when available.

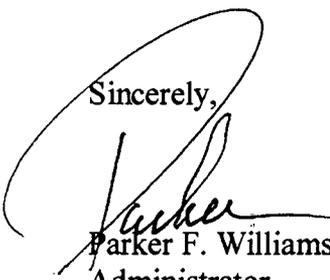
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Sincerely,  
  
Parker F. Williams  
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- Ms. Natalie B. Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director, Office of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
- Mr. Charlie K. Watkins, District Engineer, State Highway Administration

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Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration

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**Responding to letter dated:** Follow-up to 10-10-2001 SHA-hosted informational meeting for the Westgate Woods and Holmehurst West communities

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Enclosures:

One copy each of the following:

The meeting's *Agenda*

*Sound* information sheet

MDOT/SHA brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*

*Plan Sheet* and *Cross-Section Sheet* (11 x 17) for Westgate Woods community

*Plan Sheet* and *Cross-Section Sheet* (11 x 17) for Holmehurst West community

*Property Owner Invitation List*



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September 6, 2001

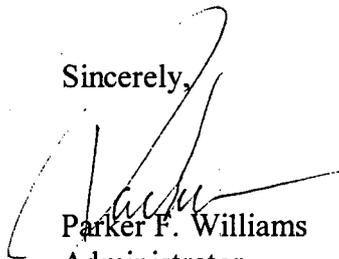
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Dear Delegate Hubbard:

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for the Westgate Woods and Holmehurst West communities regarding the proposed sound barriers along eastbound MD 450 adjacent to their communities, in Prince George's County. The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 10, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Thomas Johnson Middle School, 5401 Barker Place, Lanham, Maryland. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the placement of the proposed sound barriers and to obtain concurrence from at least 75 percent of the impacted property owners. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962, or [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

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August 15, 2001

The Honorable James W. Hubbard  
Maryland House of Delegates  
208 Lowe House Office Building  
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Dear Delegate Hubbard:

This letter is a follow-up to the July 23 informational meeting, hosted by the State Highway Administration (SHA) at Benjamin Tasker Middle School, regarding the proposed sound barrier for the Princeton Square/Old Stage Road community along US 50 in Prince George's County. I wish to provide the following information from the meeting.

The SHA is following up with those homeowners who were unable to attend the meeting by providing them with the materials distributed at the meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the sound barrier plans for residences that will be impacted by high levels of traffic noise anticipated to occur because of the future improvements to US 50 near the Princeton Square/Old Stage Road community. We would also like to determine that at least 75 percent of those impacted property owners approve of the sound barrier placement. There was one homeowner present. Enclosed, for your information, are copies of the distributed materials, including: the meeting's agenda; an information sheet listing typical noises in the environment; a plan sheet showing the sound barrier location, current noise levels, and proposed noise level reduction; cross-section views of the community; and a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*. Also, for those homeowners that are impacted by highway noise, we included a postage paid ballot for them to indicate their approval or disapproval of the proposed sound barrier project.

Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

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- One copy of *Plan Sheet*
- One copy of *Cross-Section* sheet
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**Maryland Department of Transportation  
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May 25, 2001

The Honorable James W. Hubbard  
Maryland House of Delegates  
208 Lowe House Office Building  
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Dear Delegate Hubbard:

This letter is a follow-up to the May 9 informational meeting at Bowie City Hall, regarding proposed sound barriers adjacent to the intersection of relocated MD 450 and MD 197 (Laurel-Bowie/Collington Road) in Prince George's County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the following information.

One purpose of the meeting was to discuss sound barrier plans for the residences that would be impacted by highway traffic noise resulting from the relocation of MD 450 along Galaxy Lane, Memphis Lane, Moreland Place, and Twin Cedar Lane. Another purpose was to determine that at least 75 percent of impacted property owners approve of the placement of the sound barriers. Approximately 26 homeowners attended, and we provided those who were unable to attend with copies of the materials that were distributed at the meeting. Both groups of homeowners also received ballots, which are due back to us by June 18. The results will be forwarded to you soon thereafter.

Enclosed are copies of materials that were distributed at the meeting: the agenda; an information sheet listing typical noises in the environment; plan sheets showing the sound barriers' locations, current noise levels, and predicted future noise levels after the sound barrier is constructed; cross-section views of the community; and a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*, that outlines the State's Sound Barrier Policy. The project to relocate MD 450 is funded for construction, and construction is currently scheduled to begin in late 2001.

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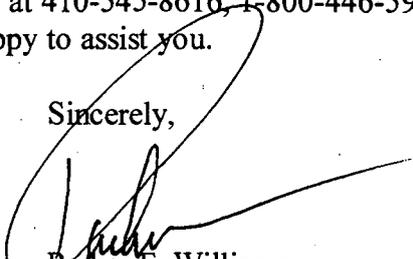
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Mr. Charlie K. Watkins, District Engineer, State Highway Administration

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Enclosures:

One copy each (11"x17") *Plan Sheets* of new intersection of relocated MD 450 and MD 197 (2 pages)

One copy each (11"x17") *cross-section Sheets* for new intersection of relocated MD 450 and MD 197 (2 pages)

One copy of meeting's *Agenda*

One copy of *Sound Information Sheet*

One copy of MDOT/SHA brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*



**Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration**

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Parris N. Glendening  
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May 7, 2001

The Honorable James W. Hubbard  
Maryland House of Delegates  
208 Lowe House Office Building  
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Hubbard:

This letter is a follow-up to the April 25 informational meeting, hosted by the State Highway Administration (SHA) at Bowie City Hall, regarding the proposed sound barrier for the Highbridge community along MD 450 in Prince George's County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the following information from the meeting.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the sound barrier plans for the residences currently receiving high levels of traffic noise and to determine that at least 75 percent of those impacted property owners approve of the sound barrier placement. There were approximately 15 homeowners present. We received the 75 percent concurrence necessary to move forward with the design of the sound barrier system. In addition, there are two issues that SHA has to address with the Highbridge Board of Directors and Management Company: a right-of-entry agreement and placement of the sound barrier wall. Once details are completed, we will forward additional information to you.

At this time, we wish to follow up with those homeowners who were unable to attend the meeting by providing them with copies of the materials distributed at the meeting. Enclosed, for your information, are copies of these materials: the meeting agenda; an information sheet listing typical noises in the environment; plan sheets with cross-sections and elevations showing the sound barrier location, current noise levels and proposed noise-level reduction; and a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*. Currently, this project is funded for construction in conjunction with the improvements to MD 450, which will begin sometime this Summer.

My telephone number is 410-545-0400 or 1-800-206-0770

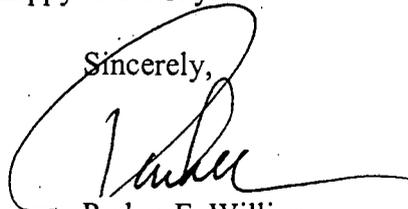
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Thank you for your interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

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Room 5 of Bowie City Hall

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Enclosure:

One copy each of the following:

Meeting's *Agenda*

*Sound* information sheet

*Plan View (Westbound MD 450 near Greenville Lane) and Cross-Sections* of the Highbridge  
community

*Plan and Elevation* of Highbridge sound barrier

MDOT/SHA brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*



**Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration**

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May 7, 2001

The Honorable James W. Hubbard  
Maryland House of Delegates  
208 Lowe House Office Building  
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Hubbard:

This letter is a follow-up to the April 24 informational meeting, hosted by the State Highway Administration (SHA) at the Benjamin Tasker Middle School, regarding the proposed sound barrier for the Princeton Square community along westbound US 50, from MD 197 to the CSX railroad line, in Prince George's County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the following information from the meeting.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the sound barrier plans for the residences that will receive high levels of traffic noise as a result of the planned improvements to US 50 and to determine that at least 75 percent of the property owners impacted approve of the sound barrier placement. There were 6 homeowners present. We have followed-up with those homeowners who were unable to attend the meeting by providing them with copies of the materials distributed at the meeting. Vote cards were distributed to impacted homeowners that attended the meeting and the remaining vote cards are being sent to those homeowners who were unable to attend. Enclosed, for your information, are copies of the distributed materials: the meeting agenda; an information sheet listing typical noises in the environment; a plan sheet showing the sound barrier location, current noise levels and proposed noise level reduction; a cross-section of views of the community; and a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*. This project is currently funded and scheduled to begin construction in the Fall of 2001.

A question was raised concerning protection by the sound barrier for several homes located on the western side of the CSX railroad tracks. The SHA is looking into this situation and will forward additional information to you within the next two weeks.

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Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8640, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [cadams@sha.state.md.us](mailto:cadams@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

Enclosures

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Enclosures:

One copy each of the following:

Meeting's *Agenda*

*Sound* information sheet

*Site Plan* for the Princeton Square community showing the alignment of the proposed barrier and the impacted and benefited homes

*Cross-Sections* of the Princeton Square community

MDOT/SHA brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*



**Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration**

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Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

April 10, 2001

The Honorable James W. Hubbard  
Maryland House of Delegates  
208 Lowe House Office Building  
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Hubbard:

This letter is to advise you of two community informational meetings that the State Highway Administration will conduct regarding proposed sound barriers in Prince George's County. Both meetings pertain to improvements to MD 450, between MD 193 and Stonybrook Drive.

The first meeting is for the Highbridge community near Grenville Lane. It will be held on Wednesday, April 25, 2001, from 7 to 9 p.m., as originally planned. The original location of the meeting has changed, however. It will occur in Room 5 of the Bowie City Hall, 2614 Kenhill Drive, Bowie, Maryland. Displays will be available from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

The second meeting is for the three communities adjacent to the intersection of relocated MD 450 and MD 197 (Laurel-Bowie Road/Collington Road), Galaxy Lane, Memphis Lane/Moreland Place and Twin Cedar Lane. It is scheduled for Wednesday, May 9, 2001, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Bowie City Hall, 2614 Kenhill Drive, Bowie, Maryland. Again, displays will be available from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
Ms. Natalie B. Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration

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Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration  
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April 2, 2001

The Honorable James W. Hubbard  
Maryland House of Delegates  
208 Lowe House Office Building  
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Hubbard:

This letter is a follow-up to the March 12 informational meeting, hosted by the State Highway Administration (SHA), regarding the alignment of the sound barrier project for the Ardmore community in Prince George's County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the following information.

The goal of Maryland's Sound Barrier Program is to provide mitigation for residents who are impacted by high levels of highway traffic noise. Throughout the development of this project, SHA was asked to explore sound barrier options that would not diminish the current visibility of the Ebenezer United Methodist Church from area roadways. In order to address both of these concerns, two alignment options were considered: the original proposed alignment that would build the barrier entirely within SHA right of way, and an option to turn the barrier back along and parallel to Ebenezer Lane. After careful review of both the options and the input from the residents of the area and church representatives, SHA has decided to proceed to construct the original alignment.

As mentioned at the meeting, the barrier project for the Ardmore community will be advertised with another sound barrier project on US 50. The selected contractor will designate the order in which the two projects will be built. We anticipate giving the contract a Notice to Proceed this coming Fall.

Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to our Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616 or 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,  
  
Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
Ms. Natalie B. Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration

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March 16, 2001

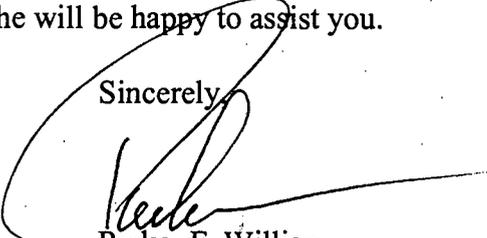
The Honorable James W. Hubbard  
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Dear Delegate Hubbard:

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for the Princeton Square community regarding the proposed sound barrier along westbound US 50 from MD 197 to just beyond the CSX railroad line in Prince George's County. The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 24, 2001, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Benjamin Tasker Middle School, 4901 Collington Road, Bowie, Maryland. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to our Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
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February 28, 2001

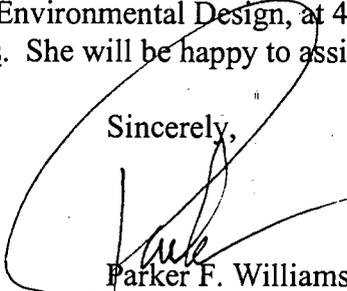
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Dear Delegate Hubbard:

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for the Ardmore Community regarding the proposed sound barrier project. This meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 12, 2001, from 7 to 9 P.M., at the Ardmore Elementary School, 9301 Ardwick-Ardmore Road, Springdale, Maryland. The purpose of this meeting is to present several options for the placement of the sound barrier.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. In case of inclement weather or, if you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

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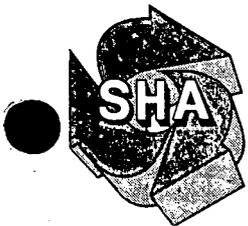
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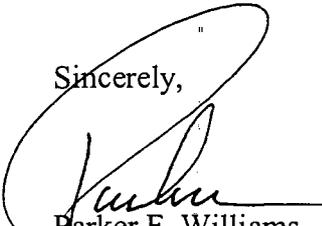
August 3, 2001

The Honorable Nancy Hubers  
Maryland House of Delegates  
435B Eastern Boulevard  
Essex MD 21221-6715

Dear Delegate Hubers:

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for the Bird River Road community regarding the proposed sound barrier along eastbound MD 43 (Extended) in Baltimore County. The meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 27, 2001, from 6:30 to 8 p.m., at Our Lady Queen of Peace School, 10001 Bird River Road, Middle River, Maryland. The purpose of the meeting is to follow up on the discussion regarding the planned improvements, the increase in highway noise levels, and right-of-way issue questions that were raised at the June 25 meeting.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,  
  
Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

Enclosure

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**Maryland Department of Transportation  
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Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

June 5, 2001

The Honorable Nancy Hubers  
Maryland House of Delegates  
435B Eastern Boulevard  
Essex MD 21221-6715

Dear Delegate Hubers:

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for the Bird River Road community regarding the proposed sound barrier along eastbound MD 43 (Extended) in Baltimore County. The meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 25, 2001, from 7 to 9 p.m., at Our Lady Queen of Peace School, 10001 Bird River Road, Middle River, Maryland. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the placement of the proposed sound barrier and to obtain concurrence from at least 75 percent of the impacted property owners. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to our Director of Environmental Design at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
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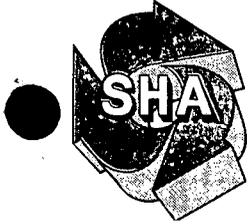
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November 14, 2001

The Honorable John Adams Hurson  
Maryland House of Delegates  
313 Lowe House Office Building  
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Hurson:

This letter is a follow-up to the May 15 letter to several residents of the Rock Creek Hills community regarding the status of the sound barrier evaluation for their community along the outer loop of I-495 between Stoneybrook Drive and Connecticut Avenue in Montgomery County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide the results of this evaluation.

The State Highway Administration (SHA) considers the need for sound barriers in two circumstances, designated "Type I" and "Type II." In "Type I" situations, barriers are considered when a new highway is being built or an existing highway is being expanded. When a highway already exists and is *not* being expanded—so that Type I criteria do not apply—a community that predates the original highway may be considered for a "Type II," or "retrofit," barrier. The intent of the Type II program is to address areas of noise impact along highways that were built before environmental analyses became a part of the highway development process. All of the following technical criteria must be met for a barrier to be approved: the majority of homes must predate the highway; existing noise levels must equal or exceed the 66 decibel impact threshold; and an effective barrier must be able to be built for \$50,000 or less per benefited home. If these criteria are met, the County in which the community is located must have an ordinance that addresses the impact of noise on new residential development, and the County must agree to fund 20 percent of the barrier cost.

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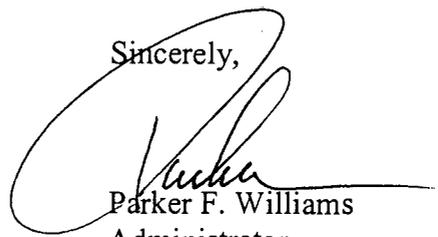
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The SHA has completed its evaluation of the Rock Creek Hills community for consideration for a Type II sound barrier under the State's Sound Barrier Program. We have determined that ten homes in the community are receiving highway traffic noise levels of 66 decibels or more. As part of the analysis, we considered several sound barrier alternatives, all of which would be located along the shoulder of the outer loop of I-495. All of the alternatives would be effective, though the lowest cost options would only provide minimally acceptable levels of noise reduction. The two most effective options (providing the primary design goal of a noise reduction of 10 decibels) would benefit 27 or 30 homes, respectively, with the cost-per-residence ranging between \$60,355 and \$65,837, respectively. Total estimated costs ranged from \$1,629,600 to \$1,975,100. Our maximum cost-per-residence criterion is \$50,000 per benefiting residence and *all* of the barrier alternatives for Rock Creek Hills community would exceed this criterion. Based on this information, the Rock Creek Hills community does not meet all of the eligibility criteria for a sound barrier.

Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. I regret that I cannot provide a positive response. If you would like to arrange a meeting to further discuss the results of our evaluation, we would be happy to do so. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. James Hade, our Noise Abatement Team Leader at 410-545-8599, 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at [jhade@sha.state.md.us](mailto:jhade@sha.state.md.us). He will be happy to assist you. Of course, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

  
Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

- cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
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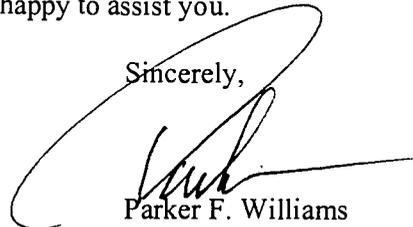
Dear Delegate Hurson, 

This letter is a follow-up to the June 11, 2001 informational meeting, hosted by the State Highway Administration (SHA) at the Woodlin Elementary School, regarding the proposed sound barrier for the Forest Glen Park community along the inner loop of I-495 from Jones Mill Road to the Linden Lane overpass in Montgomery County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the following information from the meeting.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the sound barrier plans for those residences that are receiving high levels of traffic-noise, and to determine that at least 75 percent of those impacted property owners approve of the sound barrier placement. There were 25 homeowners present at the meeting. The SHA has followed up with those homeowners who were unable to attend the meeting by providing them with copies of the materials distributed at the meeting. For impacted homeowners, a voting card with pre-paid postage was included for them to indicate their approval or disapproval of the sound barrier project, and then to return it by mail to SHA. Enclosed, are copies of the materials distributed at the meeting: the agenda; an information sheet listing typical noises in the environment; a plan sheet showing the sound barrier location, current noise levels, and proposed noise level reductions; cross-section views of the community; and a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*. This project is currently scheduled to begin construction in the Winter of 2001. One of the meeting's attendees expressed concerns for a drainage problem, causing the erosion of the slope that supports the highway. The current design of the drainage system allows highway runoff to percolate downward at the sound barrier, and to sheet-flow down the slope from the barrier. The percolation through a stone-filled trench will minimize the erosive capacity of the water.

Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, SHA's Special Assistant to our Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

  
Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

Enclosures

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Enclosures:

One copy each of the following:

Meeting's *Agenda*

*Sound* information sheet

*Site Plan* for the Forest Glen Park community showing the alignment of the proposed barrier and the impacted and benefited homes

*Cross-Sections* of the Forest Glen Park community

MDOT/SHA brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*



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State Highway Administration**

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May 16, 2001

The Honorable John Adams Hurson  
Maryland House of Delegates  
313 Lowe House Office Building  
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Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Hurson:

The State Highway Administration (SHA) will conduct an informational meeting for the Forest Glen Park community regarding the proposed sound barrier along the inner loop of I-495 from Jones Mill Road to the Linden Lane overpass in Montgomery County. The meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 11, 2001, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Woodlin Elementary School, 2101 Luzerne Avenue, Silver Spring, Maryland. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the placement of the proposed sound barrier and to obtain concurrence from at least 75 percent of the impacted property owners. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, SHA's Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962, or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

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Parker F. Williams  
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February 16, 2001

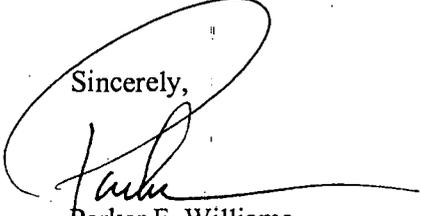
The Honorable John Adams Hurson  
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Dear Delegate Hurson:

This letter is a follow-up to the February 9 informational meeting, hosted by the State Highway Administration (SHA) regarding a sound barrier for the Outdoor Nursery School, located along the off ramp from the inner loop of I-495 to southbound Connecticut Avenue in Montgomery County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the following information.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the sound barrier plan for the school, currently receiving high levels of traffic noise, and to determine if the property owner approves of the proposed sound barrier placement. There were approximately six individuals present from the Chevy Chase Recreation Association. We will follow-up with the owner, who was unable to attend the meeting, by providing copies of the materials distributed at the meeting and a ballot to vote on the project. Enclosed are copies of the distributed materials: the meeting's agenda; a plan sheet showing the sound barrier location; and a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*. Once the ballot from the owner is received, the results will be forwarded to you. Currently, this project is funded and we anticipate construction to begin this summer.

Thank you for your interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, the SHA's Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,  
  
Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

Enclosures

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School

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Enclosures:

One copy of 02/09/2001 Meeting *Agenda*

One copy of *Plan* of sound barrier project

One copy of MDOT/SHA brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*



**Maryland Department of Transportation**  
**State Highway Administration**

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January 16, 2001

The Honorable John Adams Hurson  
Maryland House of Delegates  
313 Lowe House Office Building  
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Hurson:

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for the Outdoor Nursery School regarding the proposed sound barrier along the off-ramp from I-495 to southbound Connecticut Avenue in Montgomery County. This meeting is scheduled for Friday, February 9, 2001, from noon to 2 p.m., at the Outdoor Nursery School, 8922 Spring Valley Road, Chevy Chase, Maryland

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616 or 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

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Parker F. Williams  
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August 3, 2001

The Honorable Thomas E. Hutchins  
Maryland House of Delegates  
P.O. Box 9  
La Plata MD 20646-0009

Dear Delegate Hutchins:

This letter is a follow-up to the State Highway Administration's (SHA) June 27 informational meeting conducted for the Hughesville Manor community in Charles County regarding the planned sound barrier project along MD 5. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with this update. As indicated at the meeting, SHA requires that 75 percent of the impacted homeowners must be in favor of the barrier project. The Hughesville Manor community has reached the 75 percent concurrence. Details regarding the construction schedule for the sound barrier project will be forthcoming.

Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

- cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
- Ms. Natalie B. Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
- Mr. Darrel Mobley, Project Engineer, Office of Highway Design, State Highway Administration

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June 5, 2001

The Honorable Thomas E. Hutchins  
Maryland House of Delegates  
P.O. Box 9  
LaPlata MD 20646-0009

Dear Delegate Hutchins:

The State Highway Administration (SHA) will conduct an informational meeting for the Hughesville Manor community regarding the proposed sound barrier along southbound MD 5, adjacent to the community, in Charles County. The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 27, from 7 to 9 p.m., at the Hughesville Volunteer Fire Department, 15245 Prince Frederick Road, Hughesville, Maryland. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the placement of the proposed sound barrier and to obtain concurrence from at least 75 percent of the impacted homeowners. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any additional questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, SHA's Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

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December 31, 2001

James M. Irvin, Director  
Howard County Department of Public Works  
3430 Court House Drive  
Ellicott City MD 21043-4392

Dear Mr. Irvin *JM*

The State Highway Administration (SHA) will conduct an informational meeting for the Hammond Hills/Patuxent Springs/Lyons Hill and Murray Hill Townhouses/Hammond Hills communities regarding the proposed sound barrier along the north side of relocated MD 216 between US 29 and Leishear Road in Howard County. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 24, 2002, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the Banneker Room of the George Howard Building, 3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City, Maryland. Before the meeting, displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the sound barriers proposed for this project and to seek concurrence on the construction of barriers from at least 75 percent of the impacted property owners that would benefit from the barriers. We will distribute vote cards at the meeting to those impacted homeowners. Impacted property owners who are eligible to vote are those whose homes would experience a 10 decibel increase in highway noise levels over the existing conditions, and also those whose homes will experience highway noise levels of 66 decibels or greater from the new highway. The purpose of the vote will be to obtain agreement on the construction of sound barriers in order that we may proceed with the design of barriers.

Property owners who are unable to attend this meeting will receive a summary of the meeting and copies of all materials distributed at the meeting, approximately 7 to 10 days following the meeting. Voting cards will also be included for impacted property owners who are unable to attend the meeting.

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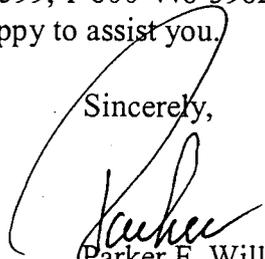
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Mr. James M. Irvin  
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Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. James Hade, our Noise Abatement Team Leader at 410-545-8599, 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at [jhade@sha.state.md.us](mailto:jhade@sha.state.md.us). He will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

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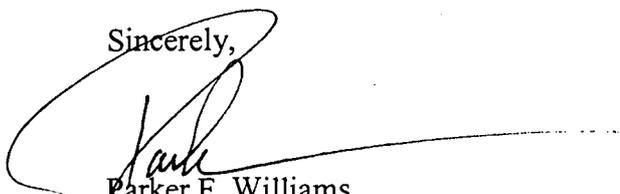
James M. Irvin, Director  
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3430 Court House Drive  
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Dear Mr. Irvin:

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for several of the communities along the eastbound segment of the proposed relocated MD 216 (Scaggsville Road), between US 29 and I-95, regarding the proposed sound barriers along MD 216 in Howard County. The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 12, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the Banneker Room, located on the first floor of the George Howard Building, 3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City Maryland. The purpose of the meetings is to discuss the placement of the proposed sound barriers and to obtain concurrence from at least 75 percent of the impacted property owners. Displays will be available from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. James Hade, our Noise Abatement Team Leader at 410-545-8599, 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at [jhade@sha.state.md.us](mailto:jhade@sha.state.md.us). He will be happy to assist you.

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**Maryland Department of Transportation  
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February 16, 2001

The Honorable Cheryl C. Kagan  
Maryland House of Delegates  
224 Lowe House Office Building  
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Kagan:

This letter is a follow-up to the February 6 informational meeting, hosted by the State Highway Administration (SHA) at Quince Orchard High School in Gaithersburg, regarding the sound barriers for the Owens Glen and Westleigh communities, located along MD 28 in Montgomery County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the following information.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the sound barrier finish and landscape plans for those residences in the Owens Glen and Westleigh communities that will benefit from the barrier project. There were approximately 21 homeowners present. The SHA indicated that the completed sound barrier would be constructed of concrete using a formliner to simulate natural, cut stone. Landscaping plans detailed the use of shade trees, shrubs, and ivy, where possible. The project is funded and scheduled to begin construction in the Summer of 2001.

Thank you for your interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, the SHA's Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

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Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

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Secretary  
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January 16, 2001

The Honorable Cheryl C. Kagan  
Maryland House of Delegates  
224 Lowe House Office Building  
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard  
Annapolis MD 21410-1991

Dear The Honorable Kagan:

*Cheryl*

The State Highway Administration will conduct a follow-up informational meeting for the Owens Glen and Westleigh communities regarding the proposed sound barriers along MD 28. This meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 6, 2001, from 7 to 9 p.m., at the Quince Orchard High School, 15800 Quince Orchard Road, Gaithersburg, Maryland.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616 or 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

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December 13, 2001

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Secretary  
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Administrator

The Honorable Edward J. Kasemeyer  
Senate of Maryland  
5408 East Drive  
Arbutus MD 21227-2604

Dear Senator Kasemeyer:

This letter is a follow-up to the letter to you and Delegate James E. Malone, Jr. from four residents along Greystone Road near Leeds Avenue in Baltimore County expressing their concerns about the proposed sound barrier along I-695, for the Arbutus community in Baltimore County. I appreciate the opportunity to respond to their concerns.

The existing sound barriers near Leeds Avenue will be maintained, with the following exceptions:

- The existing sound barrier, on either side of Westland Boulevard on the outer loop of I-695, will be maintained. During construction of the new Westland Boulevard bridge, several segments of the barrier may need to be temporarily removed to allow construction of the bridge abutment. The finished construction will include extending the existing sound barrier closer to the bridge to reduce the existing gap between the bridge and the sound barrier.
- At Shelbourne Road, the slope at the location of the old pedestrian bridge abutment will be removed, the area regraded, and several segments of sound barrier will be installed to close the gap in the existing sound barrier.
- Portions of the existing sound barrier, between Shelbourne Road and Leeds Avenue on the outer loop, will be relocated farther from the highway to accommodate the additional widening. The limits of this work are primarily along Greystone Road, at its closest point to I-695 in the vicinity of four residences that have been purchased by the State Highway Administration (SHA) and will be removed. Additionally, the existing sound barrier near Leeds Avenue and the Holy Apostles Episcopal Church will be extended to the abutment of the new Leeds Avenue bridge. This extension is to provide additional protection to the church parsonage.

This last item is what most concerns the residents on Greystone Road. The purpose of the barrier extension is to protect only the parsonage. Our analysis showed that the homes on Greystone Road would not be impacted by the new construction, therefore, the barrier need not continue across the bridge. Additionally, SHA will not close the ramp leading to Leeds Avenue. This ramp will be realigned to accommodate the additional lane on I-695 but will not be permanently closed. There may, however, be a need for temporary closure of the ramp during construction.

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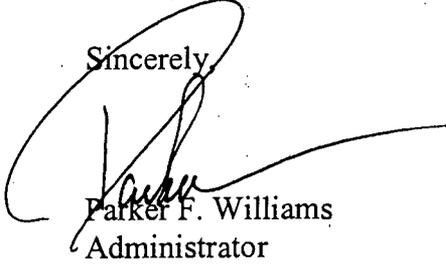
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Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. James Hade, our Noise Abatement Team Leader at 410-545-8599, 1-800-446-5962, or [jhade@sha.state.md.us](mailto:jhade@sha.state.md.us). He will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

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Ms. Shirley C. Shanahan  
Ms. Linda Singer, Community Liaison, State Highway Administration  
Mr. Gradon Tobery, Assistant District Engineer (Construction), State Highway Administration

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(PLEASE CALL ME 410-494-2266)

Date: October 8, 2001

To: Edward J. Kasemeyer, State Senator  
James E. Malone, Jr., State Delegate

From: The Undersigned

Re: Beltway Noise Barriers

OCT 9 2001  
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As property owners on Greystone Road near Leeds Avenue, we are concerned about the location of noise barriers to be constructed when the outer loop of the beltway is widened.

An architect's drawing displayed at Holy Apostles Church shows the noise barriers ending before the Leeds Avenue overpass begins. This plan will provide little or no noise abatement for our neighboring properties.

With another lane of the beltway closer to our homes, the resultant traffic noise, not to mention the proximity of carbon monoxide pollution, will be unbearable. As it stands now the traffic noise is deafening, most of it coming from the Leeds Avenue overpass.

We are requesting your assistance in appealing to the proper state and federal authorities involved in this project to reconsider the location of beltway noise barriers and to strongly urge the inclusion of the Leeds Avenue overpass in their construction.

Your attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Wiley Thausman  
1258 Greystone Rd.

Harvey Robertson  
1256 Greystone Rd.

Charles J. ...  
1254 GREYSTONE RD

Elizabeth L. ...  
1257 Greystone Rd

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**Facsimile**

TO: *Jim Hade*

FIRM: *SHA Office of Environmental Design*

FACSIMILE: *410 209 5003*

FROM: *John Hayter*

FAXCOM NO.: *(410) 229-0547*

DATE: *November 21, 2001*

SUBJECT: *BA3335172 I-695 Outer Loop Widening (I-95 to MD 144)*

MESSAGE:..... *(This fax originated from a FAXCOM Server)*

Jim Hade - As discussed in my 11/19/01 email, attached is the letter that was forwarded to Dan Witt from Senator Kasemeyer. Please coordinate your response with Dan Witt. Please keep me apprised of your progress.

John Hayter

cc: Angela Smith  
 Kate Mazzara  
 Maurice Agostino  
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DATE: 11/21/01

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(Name and Phone Number)

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(Name and Phone Number)

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Copy of letter as requested.

Graddon is preparing a response for Senator Kasemeyer.

Thank,  
Don

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**Maryland Department of Transportation**  
The Secretary's Office

March 13, 2001

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The Honorable Edward J. Kasemeyer  
Senate of Maryland  
309 James Senate Office Building  
110 College Avenue  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Senator <sup>EV</sup> Kasemeyer:

Thank you for your recent letter regarding a sound barrier for the Lawyers Hill (Elibank Drive) community along southbound I-95 between the I-95/I-895 interchange and Montgomery Road in Howard County. I appreciate the opportunity to respond to your concerns.

The December 22, 2000 letter to the citizens in this area explained that this area does not meet our criterion for cost-per-residence to construct an effective sound barrier. As a result, this area does not qualify for a sound barrier. We were not considering the cemetery as being an area that should be protected.

For a barrier to be effective, it must be of sufficient height to block the "line of sight" view of the highway. It must also be long enough to prevent noise from coming around the ends of the barrier. A general rule of thumb is that a barrier must block the view of the highway for a distance that is four times the distance from the noise receptor to the noise source (the highway) in each direction along the highway. For example, if a single home were 200 feet from the highway, the sound barrier would have to be 1,600 feet long, and an average of 18 feet high, to provide meaningful protection. In the case of the Lawyers Hill (Elibank Road) community, this means that a barrier would have to extend across the cemetery property.

Any barrier that would be shorter in height or length would not provide the desired noise reduction. This is the reason that a barrier to protect the homes on either side of the cemetery drive would also need to be in front of the cemetery property. Unfortunately, the length of wall that could be built for \$50,000 per residence, even with the addition of a ten-residence credit for the historic district, would leave a number of unprotected residences along Elibank Road.

You expressed a concern for the potential for noise reflecting from the proposed barrier on the northbound side back across the highway to the residences along Elibank Road. This would need to be modeled when the design of the barrier is begun. Generally the notion might be true if the residences were much closer to the highway and the barrier on the northbound side were directly adjacent to the shoulder. In either case, we will determine if a sound-absorptive surface on the highway side of the proposed barrier will be needed to eliminate the possibility of a reflective problem.

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Thank you for your letter. I regret that I am unable to offer a positive response. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Charles B. Adams, the State Highway Administration's Director of Environmental Design at 410-545-8640, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [cadams@sha.state.md.us](mailto:cadams@sha.state.md.us). He will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely  
  
John D. Porcari  
Secretary

- cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
- The Honorable Elizabeth Bobo, Member, Maryland House of Delegates
- The Honorable Christopher Merdon, Member, Howard County Council
- Mr. Parker F. Williams, Administrator, State Highway Administration

The Honorable Senator Kasemeyer  
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Ms. Natalie B. Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director, Office of Environmental Design,  
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EDWARD J. KASCMEYER

Please Prepare Response for Secretary's Signature

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February 1, 2001

The Hon. John D. Porcari, Secretary  
Department of Transportation  
P. O. Box 8755  
BWI Airport  
Baltimore, MD 21240-0755

SECRETARY  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Dear Secretary Porcari:

Governor Glendening's letter of January 8, 2001 advising that the Lawyers Hill community along northbound I-95 from Montgomery Road to the I-95/I-895 interchange, meets the requirements for the State's Sound Barrier Program, was welcome news. These residents have long suffered the pollution and noise generated along this roadway and can now look forward to a better quality of life.

It was disappointing to the constituents residing in the Lawyers Hill (Elibank Drive) community to learn they will not be included in the Sound Barrier Program. This area predates I-95 and all testing has indicated that there are highway noise impacts exceeding 66 decibels. The Timberview area on the West Side (southbound) below Montgomery Road has already been given a sound barrier, creating an increased noise level on the East Side. This is primarily due to the truck traffic which has increased in volume. When the East Side of Lawyers Hill Road receives a barrier, the noise level on Elibank Drive will most certainly increase.

The criteria used in determining the cost per residence included the Russian Orthodox Cemetery property frontage, (representing almost half of the exposure to I-95 and having no need for a sound barrier) should be removed from the calculations.

I would appreciate it if your office will reexamine your conclusions and reconsider the installation of Sound Barriers for the Lawyers Hill (Elibank Drive) community. The quality of life would be vastly improved in this historic district.

Sincerely,

Edward J. Kascmeyr  
State Senator

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March 5, 2001

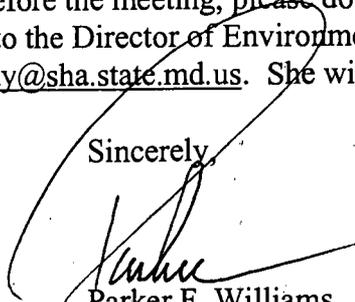
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Dear Senator Kasemeyer:

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for the Kenwood Avenue community regarding the proposed sound barriers along the inner and outer loops of I-695 north of the I-695/Wilkins Avenue interchange in Baltimore County. The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 28, 2001, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the cafeteria of the Arbutus Middle School, 5525 Shelbourne Road, Halethorpe, Maryland. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. In case of inclement weather, or if you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

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**Maryland Department of Transportation**  
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Parris N. Glendening  
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February 5, 2001

The Honorable Katherine Klausmeier  
House of Delegates  
307 Lowe House Office Building  
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Klausmeier:

Thank you for sending your aide, Ms. Kathy Zerbe, to the January 22 informational meeting, hosted by the State Highway Administration (SHA) at the Fullerton Elementary School, regarding a sound barrier for the Northview community, located in the northwest quadrant of the I-695/US 1 interchange in Baltimore County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the following information from the meeting.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the sound barrier plan for the residences currently receiving high levels of traffic noise and to determine that at least 75 percent of those impacted property owners approve the sound barrier placement. There were approximately six homeowners present. We have followed-up with those homeowners who were unable to attend the meeting by providing them with copies of the materials distributed at the meeting. Vote cards were distributed to those impacted homeowners that attended the meeting and the remaining vote card is being sent to the homeowner who was unable to attend. Enclosed, for your information, are copies of the distributed materials: the meeting's agenda, an information sheet listing typical noises in the environment; a plan sheet showing the sound barrier location, current noise levels and proposed noise level reduction; cross-section views of the community; and a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*.

The State Highway Administration received an inquiry from a homeowner in the Northview community to investigate whether or not the community was eligible for a sound barrier. While the investigation was underway, SHA received a petition from 16 other residents of the Northview community requesting that the barrier not be considered. As a result, SHA conducted this preliminary informational meeting with the Northview community to discuss the sound barrier evaluation. The ballots distributed to the impacted homeowners will give SHA an idea as to how we should proceed with this project. Once the ballots are received, the results will be forwarded. Currently, this project is not funded for design or construction.

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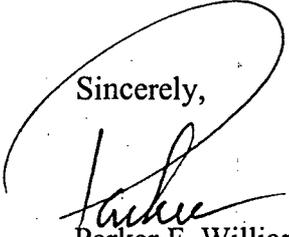
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Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
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Enclosures:

One copy of each of the following:

Meeting's *Agenda*

*Sound* information sheet

Site plan of community showing alignment of barrier and impacted and benefited homes

Cross-sections of community (11" x 17")

MDOT/SHA's brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*



**Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration**

November 5, 2001

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The Honorable Delores G. Kelley  
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Baltimore MD 21244-5809

The Honorable Adrienne A. W. Jones  
Maryland House of Delegates  
Suite 101  
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Dear Senator Kelley and Delegate Jones:

This letter is a follow-up to the October 17 Featherbed/Windsor Mill Community Association, Inc. meeting held at the Baltimore County Police Department, Precinct 2, on Windsor Mill Road. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the following information from the meeting.

The State Highway Administration (SHA) was invited to discuss noise abatement eligibility in light of the new in-fill development (Mahogany Park) between the Featherbed Park community and the area just south of Windsor Mill Road (an area SHA calls "Greenlawn-Windsor Park"). In early 2000, the Greenlawn-Windsor Park area was found to be eligible for a sound barrier that Baltimore County has agreed to fund 20 percent of, but which is not yet funded by the State.

The SHA considers the need for sound barriers in two circumstances, designated "Type I" and "Type II." In "Type I" situations, barriers are considered when a new highway is being built or an existing highway is being expanded. We do so to comply with environmental laws that were passed in the 1970s that require the evaluation of a range of environmental impacts, including noise. Under these laws, SHA performs an environmental analysis to determine if future noise levels will equal or exceed the impact threshold of 66 decibels and, if so, whether those levels can be reduced for a reasonable cost. Affected homes must predate the approval of the highway improvements. The last capacity improvement to this section of I-695 was the construction of an additional lane in the median that was approved prior to the environmental analysis requirements. A later environmental analysis found that future noise levels would increase by only one decibel over the condition of *not* constructing the improvements. Research has shown that most people can just begin to distinguish a 3 decibel change in noise levels. The policy that was adopted required an increase of at least 5 decibels in order to further consider noise abatement. Additionally, the cost-per-residence for a barrier was estimated to be approximately \$35,000 more than the \$40,000 limit that was established in the formal policy in 1985.

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When a highway already exists and is *not* being expanded—so that Type I criteria do not apply—a community that predates the original highway may be considered for a “Type II,” or “retrofit,” barrier. The intent of the Type II program is to address areas of noise impact along highways that were built before environmental analyses became a part of the highway development process. All of the following technical criteria must be met for a barrier to be approved: the majority of homes must predate the highway; existing noise levels must equal or exceed the 66 decibel impact threshold; and an effective barrier must be able to be built for \$50,000 or less per benefited home. If these criteria are met, the County in which the community is located must have an ordinance that addresses the impact of noise on new residential development, and the County must agree to fund 20 percent of the barrier cost.

The SHA has previously analyzed the Featherbed Park area and found that the majority of the homes post-date I-695, which opened in 1962. The residents contest this information (which we obtained from Maryland Property View, map enclosed). There are two homes along Dogwood Road that do pre-date the Beltway, but all of the homes adjacent to the highway along Lenburn and Richardson Roads were built in 1964 and later. The new development (Mahogany Park) was platted in the late 1980s and is, therefore, exempt from the recent Baltimore County development regulation requiring developers to avoid development in a noise impact zone or to provide mitigation. The residents requested a new evaluation “now that all of the trees have been cut down.” Unfortunately, the State is unable to re-analyze the area because to do so would raise the expectations of the community that could not be met under the current Policy.

Thank you for your continuing interest in the State’s Sound Barrier Policy. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. James Hade, our Noise Abatement Team Leader at 410-545-8599, 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at [jhade@sha.state.md.us](mailto:jhade@sha.state.md.us). He will be happy to assist you. Of course, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

Enclosure

- cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
- James D. Hade, RLA, Noise Abatement Team Leader, Office of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
- Mr. David J. Malkowski, District Engineer, State Highway Administration

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Ms. Nanette M. Schieke, State Legislative Officer, Maryland Department of Transportation  
Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration  
Ms. Linda Singer, Community Liaison, State Highway Administration

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Enclosure:

One copy of map, *I-695 North of Windsor Mill Rd to South of Dogwood Road*





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May 22, 2001

The Honorable John J. Klocko, III  
Anne Arundel County Council  
Arundel Center  
P.O. Box 2700  
Annapolis MD 21404-2700

Dear Councilmember Klocko:

This letter is written in response to an inquiry from Councilwoman Barbara A. Samorajczyk, on behalf of the Anne Arundel County Council, concerning the match requirement for the sound barrier project along US 50 from Ridgely Avenue to the Severn River. Recently, the State Highway Administration provided information to Anne Arundel County staff indicating that the match requirement would be \$1,000,081. I appreciate the opportunity to provide the following information.

Our preliminary estimated construction cost was \$3.8 million, which would require a 20 percent cost share of \$770,000 from Anne Arundel County. While SHA's current estimate is still within the original budget amount, we will not know the actual final cost until the project is complete. It is for this reason we suggest that the County budget funding based on the \$1,000,081 figure in the event that the project costs are ultimately higher than our estimate. We apologize for any confusion this may have caused.

Thank you for your interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to our Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

*Elizabeth L. Howe, Deputy*  
for Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

- cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
- Mr. Harvey Gold, Long Range Planning, Anne Arundel County
- Ms. Natalie B. Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
- The Honorable Janet S. Owens, Anne Arundel County Executive

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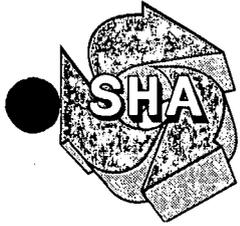
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October 10, 2001

The Honorable Daniel E. Klosterman, Jr.  
Anne Arundel County Council  
Arundel Center  
P.O. Box 2700  
Annapolis MD 21404-2700

Dear Councilmember Klosterman:

Thank you for attending the September 25 informational meeting hosted by the State Highway Administration (SHA) at the Quarterfield Elementary School, regarding the proposed sound barrier for the Glen Burnie Park community along eastbound MD 174 in the southeast quadrant of the I-97/MD 174 interchange in Anne Arundel County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the following information from the meeting.

The SHA is following-up with those homeowners who were unable to attend the meeting by providing them with the materials distributed at the meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the sound barrier plans for the twelve residences that will be impacted by high levels of traffic noise anticipated to occur because of the improvements to MD 174. We also need to determine that at least 75 percent of the twelve impacted property owners approve of the sound barrier placement. There were approximately six homeowners present.

Several issues were brought up at the meeting regarding the potential for reflection of aircraft noise off of the proposed barrier, if the proposed barrier could be constructed before the highway improvements, and the possibility of landscaping on the residential side of the barrier. These issues will be researched and, once the results of the research are determined, the information will be forwarded to you. Enclosed, for your information, are copies of the distributed materials: the meeting's Agenda; an Information Sheet, listing typical noises in the environment; a Plan Sheet, showing the sound barrier location, current noise levels, and proposed noise level reduction; Cross-Section View of the community; a Plan Sheet, showing the MD 174 over I-97 Bridge Replacement project area; and a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*. Also, for those homeowners that are impacted by highway noise, we have included a postage-paid ballot for them to indicate their approval or disapproval of the proposed sound barrier project.

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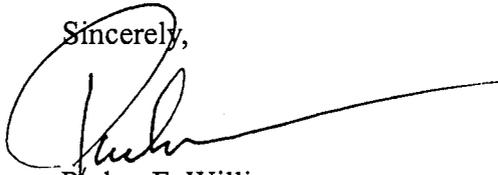
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Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact, until November 1, Ms. Natalie Hardy, our Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). After November 1, please contact Mr. James Hade, our Office of Environmental Design's Noise Abatement Team Leader at 410-545-8599, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [jhade@sha.state.md.us](mailto:jhade@sha.state.md.us). Either will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

Enclosures

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- Ms. Natalie B. Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
- Mr. Mayank Vyas, Project Engineer, Office of Highway Design, State Highway Administration
- Mr. Greg Welker, District Engineer, State Highway Administration

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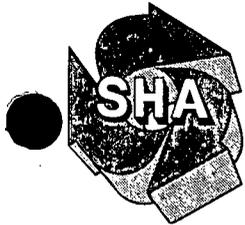
*Sound* information sheet

*Site Plan* for Glen Burnie Park community showing alignment of the proposed barrier, the impacted and benefited homes, current noise levels and proposed noise abatement

**Cross-Sections** of the Glen Burnie Park community

*Plan Sheet* showing overall MD 174 over I-97 Bridge Replacement

*Ballot/Voting Card* (only for impacted property owners)



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September 5, 2001

The Honorable Daniel E. Klosterman, Jr.  
Anne Arundel County Council  
Arundel Center  
P.O. Box 2700  
Annapolis MD 21404-2700

Dear Councilmember Klosterman:

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for the Glen Burnie Park community regarding the proposed sound barrier along eastbound MD 174, in the southeast quadrant of the I-97/MD 174 interchange, in Anne Arundel County. The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 25, 2001, from 7:15 to 9 p.m., in the multi-purpose room of the Quarterfield Elementary School, 7967 Quarterfield Road, Severn, Maryland. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the placement of the proposed sound barrier and to obtain concurrence from at least 75 percent of the impacted property owners. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:45 to 7:15 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Parker F. Williams', written over a large, stylized flourish.

Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

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May 22, 2001

The Honorable Daniel E. Klosterman, Jr.  
Anne Arundel County Council  
Arundel Center  
P.O. Box 2700  
Annapolis MD 21404-2700

Dear Councilmember Klosterman:

This letter is written in response to an inquiry from Councilwoman Barbara A. Samorajczyk, on behalf of the Anne Arundel County Council, concerning the match requirement for the sound barrier project along US 50 from Ridgely Avenue to the Severn River. Recently, the State Highway Administration provided information to Anne Arundel County staff indicating that the match requirement would be \$1,000,081. I appreciate the opportunity to provide the following information.

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March 29, 2001

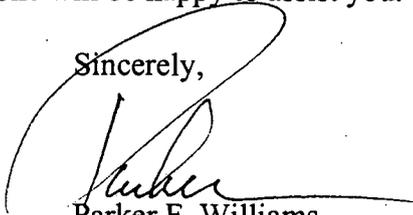
The Honorable Nancy K. Kopp  
Maryland House of Delegates  
221 Lowe House Office Building  
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Kopp:

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for the Carderock Springs community regarding the proposed sound barrier along the outer loop of I-495 from Thornley Court to Persimmon Tree Road in Montgomery County. The meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 30, 2001, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the Clubhouse of the Carderock Springs Swim & Tennis Club, Inc., 8200 Hamilton Spring Court, Bethesda, Maryland. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to our Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

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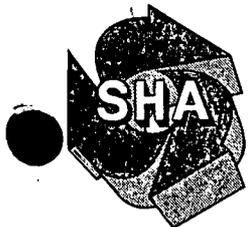
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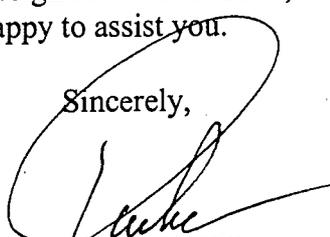
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Dear Delegate Kopp:

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for the Cabin John community regarding the proposed sound barrier along the inner loop of I-495 from Persimmon Tree Road to Seven Locks Road, in Montgomery County. The meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 26, 2001, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Carderock Springs Elementary School, 7401 Persimmon Tree Lane, Bethesda, Maryland. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. In case of inclement weather or, if you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of Environmental Design at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

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August 15, 2001

The Honorable Richard LaVay  
Maryland House of Delegates  
226 Lowe House Office Building  
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate LaVay:

This letter is a follow-up to the August 7 informational meeting, hosted by the State Highway Administration (SHA) at the Stonebridge Pool House, regarding the proposed sound barrier for the Stonebridge community along MD 28 in Montgomery County. I wish to provide the following information from the meeting.

The SHA is following up with those homeowners who were unable to attend the meeting by providing them with the materials from the meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the sound barrier plans with residences that will be impacted by high levels of traffic noise because of the future improvements to MD 28, near the Stonebridge community. We would also like to determine that at least seventy-five percent of those impacted property owners approve of the sound barrier placement. Approximately seventeen homeowners were present. There were inquiries concerning safety near the proposed barrier, aesthetics, advancing the construction schedule, and landscaping plans. The SHA has agreed to evaluate those concerns and provide feedback to the community. Enclosed, for your information, are copies of the distributed materials, including: the meeting's agenda; an information sheet listing typical noises in the environment; a plan sheet showing the sound barrier location, current noise levels, and proposed noise level reduction; three cross-section views of the community; and, a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*. Also, we included a postage-paid ballot for the homeowner's to indicate their approval or disapproval of the proposed sound barrier project.

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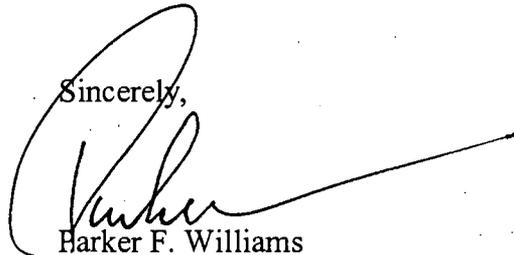
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Enclosures:

One copy of the meeting's *Agenda*

One copy of *Sound* informational sheet

One copy of *Plan Sheet*

One copy (each) of *Cross-Section* sheets (total of 3)

One copy of MDOT/SHA brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*



**Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration**

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Parris N. Glendening  
Governor  
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Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

July 31, 2001

The Honorable Richard LaVay  
Maryland House of Delegates  
226 Lowe House Office Building  
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate LaVay:

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for the Stonebridge community regarding the proposed sound barrier project along MD 28, near Muddy Branch Road in Montgomery County. This meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 7, 2001, from 7 to 9 p.m., at the Stonebridge Pool House, 14801 Stonebridge View Drive, North Potomac, Maryland. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the placement of the proposed sound barrier and to obtain concurrence from at least 75 percent of the impacted homeowners. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Parker', written over a large, loopy flourish.

Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

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May 1, 2001

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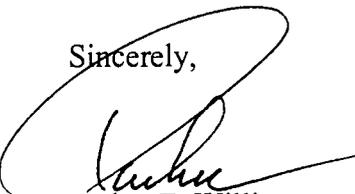
Dear Delegate La Vay:

This letter is an update on the status of the sound barrier project for the Burning Tree Estates community, along the outer loop of I-495 from Bradley Boulevard to River Road in Montgomery County. I appreciate this opportunity to provide the following information.

The sound barrier project for the Burning Tree Estates community was scheduled to begin construction during the Summer of 2001 and be completed by the Spring of 2003. During final design of the sound barrier, an issue concerning the flood plain of Thomas Branch along a portion of the community arose which required additional design analysis. We have resolved this flood plain issue by making some adjustments to the sound barrier and wish to present our findings to the community. The State Highway Administration will host an informational meeting for the Burning Tree Estates community on Wednesday, May 23, from 6 to 8 p.m., at the Seven Locks Elementary School, 9500 Seven Locks Road, Bethesda, Maryland.

Thank you for your continued patience. If you have any questions or concerns about the project in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to our Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616 or 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
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February 16, 2001

The Honorable Richard La Vay  
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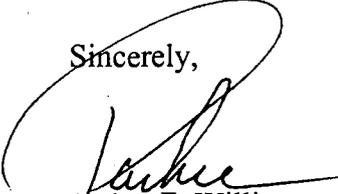
Dear Delegate La Vay:

This letter is a follow-up to the February 6 informational meeting, hosted by the State Highway Administration (SHA) at Quince Orchard High School in Gaithersburg, regarding the sound barriers for the Owens Glen and Westleigh communities, located along MD 28 in Montgomery County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the following information.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the sound barrier finish and landscape plans for those residences in the Owens Glen and Westleigh communities that will benefit from the barrier project. There were approximately 21 homeowners present. The SHA indicated that the completed sound barrier would be constructed of concrete using a formliner to simulate natural, cut stone. Landscaping plans detailed the use of shade trees, shrubs, and ivy, where possible. The project is funded and scheduled to begin construction in the Summer of 2001.

Thank you for your interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, the SHA's Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
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January 16, 2001

The Honorable Richard La Vay  
Maryland House of Delegates  
226 Lowe House Office Building  
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear The Honorable La Vay:

The State Highway Administration will conduct a follow-up informational meeting for the Owens Glen and Westleigh communities regarding the proposed sound barriers along MD 28. This meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 6, 2001, from 7 to 9 p.m., at the Quince Orchard High School, 15800 Quince Orchard Road, Gaithersburg, Maryland.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616 or 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

Parker F. Williams  
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December 31, 2001

Mr. Don Lieu  
Chief of Utilities Design Division  
Howard County Department of Public Works  
9250 Bendix Road  
Ellicott City MD 21045-1800

Dear Mr. Lieu:

The State Highway Administration (SHA) will conduct an informational meeting for the Hammond Hills/Patuxent Springs/Lyons Hill and Murray Hill Townhouses/Hammond Hills communities regarding the proposed sound barrier along the north side of relocated MD 216 between US 29 and Leishear Road in Howard County. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 24, 2002, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the Banneker Room of the George Howard Building, 3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City, Maryland. Before the meeting, displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the sound barriers proposed for this project and to seek concurrence on the construction of barriers from at least 75 percent of the impacted property owners that would benefit from the barriers. We will distribute vote cards at the meeting to those impacted homeowners. Impacted property owners who are eligible to vote are those whose homes would experience a 10 decibel increase in highway noise levels over the existing conditions, and also those whose homes will experience highway noise levels of 66 decibels or greater from the new highway. The purpose of the vote will be to obtain agreement on the construction of sound barriers in order that we may proceed with the design of barriers.

Property owners who are unable to attend this meeting will receive a summary of the meeting and copies of all materials distributed at the meeting, approximately 7 to 10 days following the meeting. Voting cards will also be included for impacted property owners who are unable to attend the meeting.

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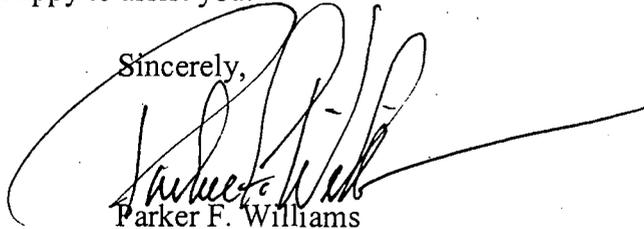
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Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. James Hade, our Noise Abatement Team Leader at 410-545-8599, 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at [jhade@sha.state.md.us](mailto:jhade@sha.state.md.us). He will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

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Mr. Robert L. Fisher, District Engineer, State Highway Administration  
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Mr. Don Lieu  
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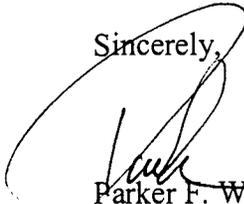
Mr. Don Lieu  
Chief of Utilities Design Division  
Howard County Department of Public Works  
9250 Bendix Road  
Ellicott City MD 21045-1800

Dear Mr. Lieu:

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for several of the communities along the eastbound segment of the proposed relocated MD 216 (Scaggsville Road), between US 29 and I-95, regarding the proposed sound barriers along MD 216 in Howard County. The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 12, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the Bancker Room, located on the first floor of the George Howard Building, 3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City Maryland. The purpose of the meetings is to discuss the placement of the proposed sound barriers and to obtain concurrence from at least 75 percent of the impacted property owners. Displays will be available from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. James Hade, our Noise Abatement Team Leader at 410-545-8599, 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at [jhade@sha.state.md.us](mailto:jhade@sha.state.md.us). He will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



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October 29, 2001

Mr. Don Lieu  
Chief, Utility Design Division  
Howard County Department of Public Works  
9250 Bendix Road  
Columbia MD 21045-1800

Dear Mr. Lieu:

This is a follow-up to a recent telephone conversation between Mr. Ken Siew and myself regarding sound barrier location maps for funded sound barrier projects in Howard County along US 29, I-70 and I-95. Enclosed, for your use, are copies of barrier location maps for Allview Estates, Atholton Manor, Guilford Downs (all along US 29), The Orchards/Skyview/Brinkley (along I-70), Hunt Club Estates (along northbound I-95 near Montgomery Road), and High Ridge (along northbound I-95 south of MD 216).

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 410-545-8599 or 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at [jhade@sha.state.md.us](mailto:jhade@sha.state.md.us).

Sincerely,

James D. Hade, RLA  
Noise Abatement Team Leader  
Office of Environmental Design

Enclosures

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One copy each of sound barrier location maps for **Allview Estates (US 29), Atholton Manor (US 29), Guilford Downs (US 29), The Orchards/Skyview/Brinkley (I-70), Hunt Club Estates (I-95), and High Ridge (I-95)**

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**Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration**

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August 3, 2001

The Honorable Samuel C. Linton  
Maryland House of Delegates  
11420 Holly Springs Road  
Nanjemoy MD 20662-3015

Dear Delegate Linton:

This letter is a follow-up to the State Highway Administration's (SHA) June 27 informational meeting conducted for the Hughesville Manor community in Charles County regarding the planned sound barrier project along MD 5. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with this update. As indicated at the meeting, SHA requires that 75 percent of the impacted homeowners must be in favor of the barrier project. The Hughesville Manor community has reached the 75 percent concurrence. Details regarding the construction schedule for the sound barrier project will be forthcoming.

Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

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- Ms. Natalie B. Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
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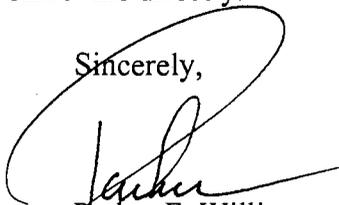
The Honorable Samuel C. Linton  
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Dear Delegate Linton:

The State Highway Administration (SHA) will conduct an informational meeting for the Hughesville Manor community regarding the proposed sound barrier along southbound MD 5, adjacent to the community, in Charles County. The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 27, from 7 to 9 p.m., at the Hughesville Volunteer Fire Department, 15245 Prince Frederick Road, Hughesville, Maryland. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the placement of the proposed sound barrier and to obtain concurrence from at least 75 percent of the impacted homeowners. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any additional questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, SHA's Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

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December 31, 2001

The Honorable Mary Lorsung  
Howard County Council  
3430 Court House Drive  
Ellicott City MD 21043-4392

Dear Councilmember Lorsung:

*Mary*

The State Highway Administration (SHA) will conduct an informational meeting for the Hammond Hills/Patuxent Springs/Lyons Hill and Murray Hill Townhouses/Hammond Hills communities regarding the proposed sound barrier along the north side of relocated MD 216 between US 29 and Leishear Road in Howard County. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 24, 2002, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the Banneker Room of the George Howard Building, 3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City, Maryland. Before the meeting, displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

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Property owners who are unable to attend this meeting will receive a summary of the meeting and copies of all materials distributed at the meeting, approximately 7 to 10 days following the meeting. Voting cards will also be included for impacted property owners who are unable to attend the meeting.

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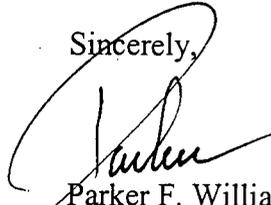
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Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

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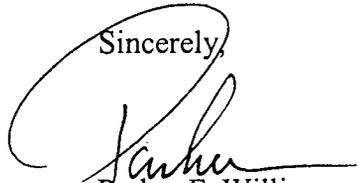
November 26, 2001

The Honorable Mary Lorsung  
Howard County Council  
3430 Court House Drive  
Ellicott City MD 21043-4392

Dear Councilmember Lorsung:

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for several of the communities along the eastbound segment of the proposed relocated MD 216 (Scaggsville Road), between US 29 and I-95, regarding the proposed sound barriers along MD 216 in Howard County. The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 12, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the Baneker Room, located on the first floor of the George Howard Building, 3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City Maryland. The purpose of the meetings is to discuss the placement of the proposed sound barriers and to obtain concurrence from at least 75 percent of the impacted property owners. Displays will be available from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

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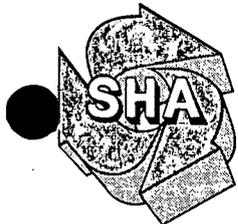
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Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

October 10, 2001

The Honorable Mary Ann Love  
Maryland House of Delegates  
7961 Crownsway  
Glen Burnie MD 21061-6263

Dear Delegate Love:

This letter is a follow-up to the September 25 informational meeting hosted by the State Highway Administration (SHA) at the Quarterfield Elementary School, regarding the proposed sound barrier for the Glen Burnie Park community along eastbound MD 174 in the southeast quadrant of the I-97/MD 174 interchange in Anne Arundel County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the following information from the meeting.

The SHA is following-up with those homeowners who were unable to attend the meeting by providing them with the materials distributed at the meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the sound barrier plans for the twelve residences that will be impacted by high levels of traffic noise anticipated to occur because of the improvements to MD 174. We also need to determine that at least 75 percent of the twelve impacted property owners approve of the sound barrier placement. There were approximately six homeowners present.

Several issues were brought up at the meeting regarding the potential for reflection of aircraft noise off of the proposed barrier, if the proposed barrier could be constructed before the highway improvements, and the possibility of landscaping on the residential side of the barrier. These issues will be researched and, once the results of the research are determined, the information will be forwarded to you. Enclosed, for your information, are copies of the distributed materials: the meeting's Agenda; an Information Sheet, listing typical noises in the environment; a Plan Sheet, showing the sound barrier location, current noise levels, and proposed noise level reduction; Cross-Section View of the community; a Plan Sheet, showing the MD 174 over I-97 Bridge Replacement project area; and a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*. Also, for those homeowners that are impacted by highway noise, we have included a postage-paid ballot for them to indicate their approval or disapproval of the proposed sound barrier project.

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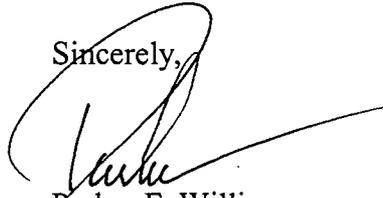
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Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact, until November 1, Ms. Natalie Hardy, our Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). After November 1, please contact Mr. James Hade, our Office of Environmental Design's Noise Abatement Team Leader at 410-545-8599, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [jhade@sha.state.md.us](mailto:jhade@sha.state.md.us). Either will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

Enclosures

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Mr. Mayank Vyas, Project Engineer, Office of Highway Design, State Highway  
Administration  
Mr. Greg Welker, District Engineer, State Highway Administration

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Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration

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Enclosures:

One copy each of the following:

The meeting's *Agenda*

*Sound* information sheet

*Site Plan* for Glen Burnie Park community showing alignment of the proposed barrier, the impacted and benefited homes, current noise levels and proposed noise abatement

**Cross-Sections** of the Glen Burnie Park community

*Plan Sheet* showing overall MD 174 over I-97 Bridge Replacement

*Ballot/Voting Card* (only for impacted property owners)



**Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration**

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Parris N. Glendening  
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Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

September 5, 2001

The Honorable Mary Ann Love  
Maryland House of Delegates  
7961 Crownsway  
Glen Burnie MD 21061-6263

Dear Delegate Love:

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for the Glen Burnie Park community regarding the proposed sound barrier along eastbound MD 174, in the southeast quadrant of the I-97/MD 174 interchange, in Anne Arundel County. The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 25, 2001, from 7:15 to 9 p.m., in the multi-purpose room of the Quarterfield Elementary School, 7967 Quarterfield Road, Severn, Maryland. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the placement of the proposed sound barrier and to obtain concurrence from at least 75 percent of the impacted property owners. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:45 to 7:15 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

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Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

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**Maryland Department of Transportation**  
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December 31, 2001

The Honorable Martin G. Madden  
Senate of Maryland  
407 James Senate Office Building  
110 College Avenue  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Senator Madden: *Wccarty*

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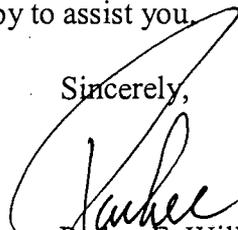
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Parker F. Williams  
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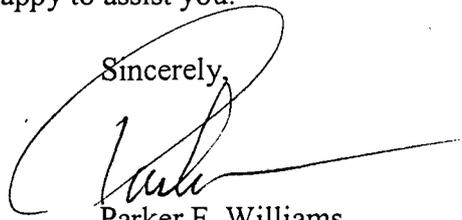
November 26, 2001

The Honorable Martin G. Madden  
Senate of Maryland  
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110 College Avenue  
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Dear Senator Madden:

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September 12, 2001

The Honorable Martin G. Madden  
Senate of Maryland  
407 James Senate Office Building  
110 College Avenue  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

The Honorable Shane Pendergrass  
The Honorable Frank S. Turner  
Maryland House of Delegates  
209 Lowe House Office Building  
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Senator Madden and Delegates Pendergrass and Turner:

There have been several inquiries that we have received regarding sound barriers planned for the new MD 216 project. In order to make sure that all members of the District 13 Delegation are up to date on the issue, copies of correspondence we have received and sent to members of the delegation are enclosed for your information. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with this information.

Thank you again for your request. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

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Response, dated 07-09-2001, from Mr. Neil Pedersen to Sen. Madden

Response, dated 07-09-2001, to telephone inquiry from Del. Pendergrass' aide to Ms. Natalie  
Hardy

Inbound, dated 07-03-2001, from Del. Pendergrass to Mr. Parker F. Williams  
Response, dated 07-24-2001, from Mr. Parker F. Williams to Del. Pendergrass



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July 9, 2001

The Honorable Martin G. Madden  
Senate of Maryland  
407 James Senate Office Building  
110 College Avenue  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Senator ~~Madden~~: *Marty*

Thank you for your recent letter regarding the informational meeting for the proposed changes for MD 216 in Howard County. I appreciate the opportunity to respond to your inquiry.

The State Highway Administration (SHA) has initiated a re-analysis of the potential noise impacts for the MD 216 corridor in the light of the project's expansion from four to six lanes. We will contact you to report the results once the analysis is complete.

Thank you again for your letter. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of the Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616 or 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

Very truly yours,

Neil J. Pedersen  
Deputy Administrator for  
Planning and Engineering

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director, Office of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
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MARTIN G. MADDEN  
SENATE MINORITY LEADER  
13th Legislative District  
w Prince George's Counties  
Budget and Taxation Committee

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*The Senate of Maryland*  
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401-1991

June 26, 2001

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Home  
11524 Crows Nest Road  
Clarksville, Maryland 21029  
301-596-9788

Mr. Neil Pederson  
Director  
Planning & Preliminary Engineering  
State Highway Administration  
707 N. Calvert Street  
Room 411  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Dear Mr. Pederson,

A prior commitment will prevent me from attending this evening's informational meeting on the proposed changes for Maryland Route 216. However, Iris Frey, my Legislative/Administrative Assistant in Annapolis, will be attending in my place.

As regards the plans for sound barriers on the north side of Route 216, I feel very strongly that sound barriers should also be constructed for the communities on the south side of the roadway. Although the state is citing 1980 as the date this road was first proposed and that nearby communities had to be built by in order to be eligible for sound barriers, I believe that increasing Route 216 for four to six lanes counts as a significant modification that will undoubtedly produce additional traffic noise and thus make the south side communities eligible. If the south side communities affected by the widening of Route 216 agree to sound barriers, then they should be constructed.

I will be communicating with you at a later date on additional community concerns.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Martin G. Madden".

Martin G. Madden

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SENATOR MARTIN G. MADDEN

402B James Senate Office Building  
Annapolis, MD 21401-1991

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From: Iris Frey / Senator Madden's Office

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Message

*Mail,  
Thanks for your help! My apologies  
for the error the first time around.  
Iris*

*P.S. Thanks for getting a copy of this to Catherine*

FROM: NEIL J. PEDERSEN,  
DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR FOR  
PLANNING & ENGINEERING

SUSPENSE NO.: 5235

DATE: 6/27/01

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**Maryland Department of Transportation  
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John D. Porcari  
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Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

November 5, 2001

The Honorable James E. Malone, Jr.  
Maryland House of Delegates  
5408 East Drive  
Arbutus MD 21227-2604

Dear Delegate Malone:

This is a follow-up to your telephone conversation with Mr. Charles B. Adams, our Director of Environmental Design, regarding the improvements to the outer loop of I-695 in the Arbutus area of Baltimore County. Several concerns were brought to you from several of your constituents residing on Greystone Road. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the following information.

You asked, "What are the sound barrier plans for I-695 near Leeds Avenue?" The existing sound barriers will be maintained on their existing alignments, with several exceptions. Between Westland Boulevard and Leeds Avenue, the following modifications will be made:

- The existing sound barrier, on either side of Westland Boulevard on the outer loop of I-695, will be maintained. During construction of the new Westland Boulevard Bridge, several segments of the barrier may need to be temporarily removed to allow construction of the bridge abutment. The finished construction will include extending the existing sound barrier closer to the bridge to reduce the existing gap between the bridge and the sound barrier.
- At Shelbourne Road, the slope at the location of the old pedestrian bridge abutment will be removed, the area regraded, and several segments of sound barrier will be installed to close the gap in the existing sound barrier.
- Portions of the existing sound barrier, between Shelbourne Road and Leeds Avenue on the outer loop, will be relocated further from the highway to accommodate the additional widening. The limits of this work are primarily along Greystone Road, at its closest point to I-695 in the vicinity of four residences that have been purchased by SHA and will be removed. Additionally, the existing sound barrier near Leeds Avenue and the Holy Apostles Episcopal Church will be extended to the abutment of the new Leeds Avenue Bridge. This extension is to provide additional protection to the church parsonage.

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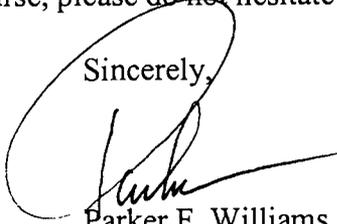
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Two of your constituents are concerned that if the sound barrier is not extended across the bridge over Leeds Avenue that their homes will not be protected from noise, given the additional lane that is being added to the beltway. The purpose of the barrier extension is to protect only the church parsonage. Our analysis showed that the homes on Greystone Road would not be impacted by the new construction, therefore, the barrier need not continue across the bridge.

You also asked, "Will the State Highway Administration close the ramp onto Leeds Avenue?" The SHA will not close the ramp leading to Leeds Avenue. This ramp will be realigned to accommodate the additional lane on the beltway, but will not be permanently closed. There may be a need for temporary closure of the ramp during construction. The enclosed plan indicates the shift in the ramp alignment as well as the area in which the sound barrier will be extended.

Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program and this construction project. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Adams at 410-545-8640, 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at [cadams@sha.state.md.us](mailto:cadams@sha.state.md.us). He will be happy to assist you. Of course, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
Mr. David J. Malkowski, District Engineer, State Highway Administration

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bcc: James D. Hade, RLA, Noise Abatement Team Leader, State Highway Administration  
Ms. Nanette M. Schieke, State Legislative Officer, Maryland Department of  
Transportation  
Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration  
Ms. Linda Singer, Community Liaison, State Highway Administration

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Mr. Charles Adams

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Enclosure:

Plan of project area

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ORIGINATED BY: C.B. ADAMS  
Senior Manager

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RECEIVED FROM: Del. James E. Malone Jr  
(Dist 12A)

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IS THERE A DEADLINE FOR THIS DOCUMENT? YES  NO

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YOUR CONTACT PERSON & PHONE: N. HARDY X8616

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**From:** NATALIE HARDY  
**To:** TED SEVERE  
**Date:** 10/29/01 5:21PM  
**Subject:** Letter to Delegate Malone

Ted-

Would you please prepare the attached letter for processing? It is on the N:Drive under Malone01.

Thanks,

Natalie

The Honorable James E. Malone  
Maryland House of Delegates  
407 James Senate Office Building  
110 College Avenue  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Malone:

This is a follow up to your telephone conversation with Mr. Charles B. Adams, our Director of Environmental Design regarding the construction along I-695 in Baltimore County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with this information.

You asked, "What are the sound barrier plans for I-695 near Leeds Avenue?" The existing noise barriers are being maintained on their existing alignments to the extent feasible throughout the project limits. Between Westland Boulevard and Leeds Avenue, the following modifications will be constructed:

- The existing noise barrier on either side of Westland Boulevard on the outer loop of I-695 will be maintained. During construction of the new Westland Boulevard Bridge, several segments of the barrier may need to be temporarily removed to allow construction of the bridge abutment. The finished construction will include extending the existing noise barrier closer to the bridge to reduce the existing gap between the bridge and the noise barrier.
- At Shelbourne Road, the approach embankment at the pedestrian bridge abutment will be removed, the area regraded, and several segments of noise barrier will be installed to close the existing gap in the noise barrier.
- The existing noise barrier between Shelbourne Road and Leeds Avenue on the outer loop of I-695 will be maintained. Portions of the existing noise barrier that extend into areas within the proposed widened roadway will be relocated to align with the balance of the existing noise barrier. The limits of this work are primarily along Greystone Road at its closest point to I-695, in the vicinity of the four residences that were removed. The existing noise barrier near Leeds Avenue and the Holy Apostles Episcopal Church will be extended to the abutment of the new Leeds Avenue Bridge.

You asked, "Will SHA close the ramp onto Leeds Avenue?" The SHA will not close the ramp leading to Leeds Avenue.

Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Admas, at 410-545-8640. He will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration

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Ms. Natalie Hardy  
October 26, 2001  
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The Honorable James E. Malone, Jr.  
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bcc: Ms. Valerie Burnette Edgar, Director of Communications, State Highway Administration  
Mr. Dave Malkowski, District Engineer, State Highway Administration  
James Hade, RLA, Noise Abatement Team Leader, State Highway Administration  
Ms. Nanette M. Schieke, State Legislative Officer, Maryland Department of  
Transportation  
Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration



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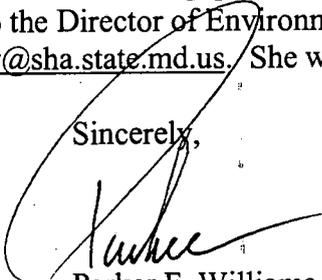
The Honorable James E. Malone, Jr.  
Maryland House of Delegates  
306 Lowe House Office Building  
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Malone:

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for the Kenwood Avenue community regarding the proposed sound barriers along the inner and outer loops of I-695 north of the I-695/Wilkens Avenue interchange in Baltimore County. The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 28, 2001, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the cafeteria of the Arbutus Middle School, 5525 Shelbourne Road, Halethorpe, Maryland. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. In case of inclement weather, or if you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director Environmental Design, State Highway Administration

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Mr. David J. Malkowski, District Engineer, State Highway Administration  
Ms. Nanette M. Schieke, State Legislative Officer, Maryland Department of  
Transportation  
Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration  
Ms. Linda Singer, Community Liaison, State Highway Administration

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January 8, 2001

The Honorable James E. Malone, Jr.  
Maryland House of Delegates  
306 Lowe House Office Building  
6 governor Bladen Boulevard  
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Dear Jim:

The State Highway Administration has continued its review of communities in Howard County to determine their eligibility for sound barriers. As a result, it is my pleasure to inform you that the Lawyers Hill community, along northbound I-95 from Montgomery Road to the I-95/I-895 interchange, meets the technical requirements for the State's Sound Barrier Program.

Quality of life issues, such as sound barriers, have been and continue to be one of the cornerstones of my Administration. Whether the issue is highway noise or the condition of our neighborhoods, we strive to provide the best quality of living for our citizens. Major investments in sound barriers have been made during the past five years and will continue to be made as we work to provide relief to communities affected by highway noise.

Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. John D. Porcari, Secretary, Maryland Department of Transportation, at 410-865-1000.

Sincerely,

Parris N. Glendening  
Governor

cc: The Honorable John D. Porcari, Secretary, Maryland Department of Transportation  
Mr. Parker F. Williams, Administrator, State Highway Administration

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bcc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
Ms. Valerie Burnette Edgar, Director of Communications, State Highway Administration  
James Hade, RLA, Noise Abatement Team Leader, State Highway Administration  
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Ms. Nanette M. Schieke, State Legislative Officer, Maryland Department of Transportation  
Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration  
Mr. Robert Fisher, District Engineer, State Highway Administration

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**NOTE:** As of 03/22/2001, OED/NAT has not "officially" received signed copies of these letters from the Governor's Office. OED/NAT did receive a faxed copy of Howard County Councilman Christopher Merdon's letter. The faxed copy was sent to OED/NAT on 01/18/2001. Since we "received" Mr. Merdon's copy, we were able to complete and send off the County Executive's "details"/cost letter and Mr. Williams' "good news" letters to the Lawyers Hill property owners.



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State Highway Administration**

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Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

August 3, 2001

The Honorable William D. Mayer  
Charles County Board of County Commissioners  
P.O. Box 2150  
La Plata MD 20646

Dear Commissioner Mayer:

This letter is a follow-up to the State Highway Administration's (SHA) June 27 informational meeting conducted for the Hughesville Manor community in Charles County regarding the planned sound barrier project along MD 5. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with this update. As indicated at the meeting, SHA requires that 75 percent of the impacted homeowners must be in favor of the barrier project. The Hughesville Manor community has reached the 75 percent concurrence. Details regarding the construction schedule for the sound barrier project will be forthcoming.

Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Parker F. Williams', written over a large, stylized oval flourish.

Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
Ms. Natalie B. Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
Mr. Darrel Mobley, Project Engineer, Office of Highway Design, State Highway Administration

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James D. Hade, RLA, Noise Abatement Team Leader, State Highway Administration  
Mr. Neil J. Pedersen, Deputy Administrator for Planning and Engineering, State Highway Administration  
Ms. Nanette M. Schieke, State Legislative Officer, Maryland Department of Transportation  
Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration  
Mr. Greg Welker, District Engineer, State Highway Administration

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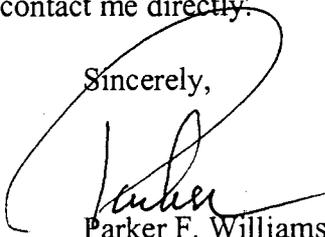
The Honorable William D. Mayer  
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P.O. Box 2150  
LaPlata MD 20646

Dear Commissioner Mayer:

The State Highway Administration (SHA) will conduct an informational meeting for the Hughesville Manor community regarding the proposed sound barrier along southbound MD 5, adjacent to the community, in Charles County. The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 27, from 7 to 9 p.m., at the Hughesville Volunteer Fire Department, 15245 Prince Frederick Road, Hughesville, Maryland. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the placement of the proposed sound barrier and to obtain concurrence from at least 75 percent of the impacted homeowners. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any additional questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, SHA's Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
Ms. Natalie B. Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration

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bcc: Mr. Paul D. Armstrong, District Engineer, State Highway Administration  
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Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration

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May 25, 2001

Mr. Joseph M. Meinert  
Assistant Director of Planning & Economic Development  
City of Bowie  
Bowie City Hall  
2614 Kenhill Drive  
Bowie MD 20715-2599

Dear Mr. Meinert:

Thank you for attending the May 9 informational meeting at Bowie City Hall, regarding proposed sound barriers adjacent to the intersection of relocated MD 450 and MD 197 (Laurel-Bowie/Collington Road) in Prince George's County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the following information.

One purpose of the meeting was to discuss sound barrier plans for the residences that would be impacted by highway traffic noise resulting from the relocation of MD 450 along Galaxy Lane, Memphis Lane, Moreland Place, and Twin Cedar Lane. Another purpose was to determine that at least 75 percent of impacted property owners approve of the placement of the sound barriers. Approximately 26 homeowners attended, and we provided those who were unable to attend with copies of the materials that were distributed at the meeting. Both groups of homeowners also received ballots, which are due back to us by June 18. The results will be forwarded to you soon thereafter.

Enclosed are copies of materials that were distributed at the meeting: the agenda; an information sheet listing typical noises in the environment; plan sheets showing the sound barriers' locations, current noise levels, and predicted future noise levels after the sound barrier is constructed; cross-section views of the community; and a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*, that outlines the State's Sound Barrier Policy. The project to relocate MD 450 is funded for construction, and construction is currently scheduled to begin in late 2001.

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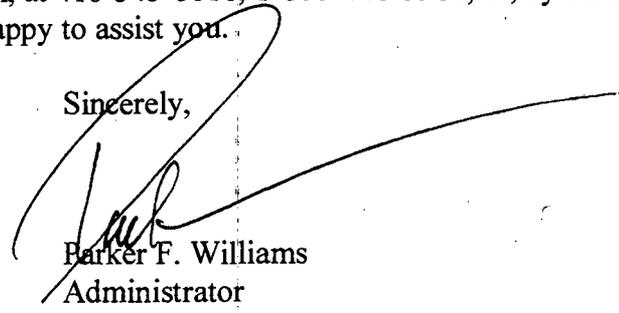
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Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to our Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962, or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

Enclosures

- cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
- Ms. Natalie B. Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration

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Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration  
Mr. Charlie K. Watkins, District Engineer, State Highway Administration

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Enclosures:

One copy each (11"x17") **Plan Sheets** of new intersection of relocated MD 450 and MD 197 (2 pages)

One copy each (11"x17") **cross-section Sheets** for new intersection of relocated MD 450 and MD 197 (2 pages)

One copy of meeting's **Agenda**

One copy of **Sound Information Sheet**

One copy of MDOT/SHA brochure, **Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers**



**Maryland Department of Transportation  
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May 7, 2001

Mr. Joseph M. Meinert  
Assistant Director of Planning & Economic Development  
City of Bowie  
Bowie City Hall  
2614 Kenhill Drive  
Bowie MD 20715-2599

Dear Mr. Meinert:

Thank you for attending the April 25 informational meeting, hosted by the State Highway Administration (SHA) at Bowie City Hall, regarding the proposed sound barrier for the Highbridge community along MD 450 in Prince George's County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the following information from the meeting.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the sound barrier plans for the residences currently receiving high levels of traffic noise and to determine that at least 75 percent of those impacted property owners approve of the sound barrier placement. There were approximately 15 homeowners present. We received the 75 percent concurrence necessary to move forward with the design of the sound barrier system. In addition, there are two issues that SHA has to address with the Highbridge Board of Directors and Management Company: a right-of-entry agreement and placement of the sound barrier wall. Once details are completed, we will forward additional information to you.

At this time, we wish to follow up with those homeowners who were unable to attend the meeting by providing them with copies of the materials distributed at the meeting. Enclosed, for your information, are copies of these materials: the meeting agenda; an information sheet listing typical noises in the environment; plan sheets with cross-sections and elevations showing the sound barrier location, current noise levels and proposed noise-level reduction; and a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*. Currently, this project is funded for construction in conjunction with the improvements to MD 450, which will begin sometime this Summer.

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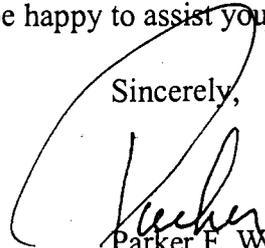
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Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
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- Mr. Charlie K. Watkins, District Engineer, State Highway Administration

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Enclosure:

One copy each of the following:

Meeting's *Agenda*

*Sound* information sheet

*Plan View (Westbound MD 450 near Greenville Lane) and Cross-Sections* of the Highbridge community

*Plan and Elevation* of Highbridge sound barrier

MDOT/SHA brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*



**Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration**

April 10, 2001

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Governor  
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Administrator.

Joseph M. Meinert, AICP  
Assistant Director of Planning & Economic Development  
City of Bowie  
Bowie City Hall  
2614 Kenhill Drive  
Bowie MD 20715-2599

Dear Mr. Meinert:

This letter is to advise you of two community informational meetings that the State Highway Administration will conduct regarding proposed sound barriers in Prince George's County. Both meetings pertain to improvements to MD 450, between MD 193 and Stonybrook Drive.

The first meeting is for the Highbridge community near Grenville Lane. It will be held on Wednesday, April 25, 2001, from 7 to 9 p.m., as originally planned. The original location of the meeting has changed, however. It will occur in Room 5 of the Bowie City Hall, 2614 Kenhill Drive, Bowie, Maryland. Displays will be available from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

The second meeting is for the three communities adjacent to the intersection of relocated MD 450 and MD 197 (Laurel-Bowie Road/Collington Road), Galaxy Lane, Memphis Lane/Moreland Place and Twin Cedar Lane. It is scheduled for Wednesday, May 9, 2001, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Bowie City Hall, 2614 Kenhill Drive, Bowie, Maryland. Again, displays will be available from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

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Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

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The Honorable Christopher Merdon  
Howard County Council  
3430 Courthouse Drive  
Ellicott City MD 21043

Dear Chris:

The State Highway Administration has continued its review of communities in Howard County to determine their eligibility for sound barriers. As a result, it is my pleasure to inform you that the Lawyers Hill community, along northbound I-95 from Montgomery Road to the I-95/I-895 interchange, meets the technical requirements for the State's Sound Barrier Program.

Quality of life issues, such as sound barriers, have been and continue to be one of the cornerstones of my Administration. Whether the issue is highway noise or the condition of our neighborhoods, we strive to provide the best quality of living for our citizens. Major investments in sound barriers have been made during the past five years and will continue to be made as we work to provide relief to communities affected by highway noise.

Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. John D. Porcari, Secretary, Maryland Department of Transportation, at 410-865-1000.

Sincerely,

Parris N. Glendening  
Governor

cc: The Honorable John D. Porcari, Secretary, Maryland Department of Transportation  
Mr. Parker F. Williams, Administrator, State Highway Administration

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**NOTE:** As of 03/22/2001, OED/NAT has not "officially" received signed copies of these letters from the Governor's Office. OED/NAT did receive a faxed copy of Howard County Councilman Christopher Merdon's letter. The faxed copy was sent to OED/NAT on 01/18/2001. Since we "received" Mr. Merdon's copy, we were able to complete and send off the County Executive's "details"/cost letter and Mr. Williams' "good news" letters to the Lawyers Hill property owners.

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January 8, 2001

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**FAX**

To: Ted Severe

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Subject: Lawyers Hill

Date: 2/18/01

Pages: 2

COMMENTS:

From the desk of...  
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State Highway Administration**

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August 3, 2001

The Honorable Thomas M. Middleton  
Senate of Maryland  
P.O. Box 1735  
Waldorf MD 20604-1735

Dear Senator Middleton:

This letter is a follow-up to the State Highway Administration's (SHA) June 27 informational meeting conducted for the Hughesville Manor community in Charles County regarding the planned sound barrier project along MD 5. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with this update. As indicated at the meeting, SHA requires that 75 percent of the impacted homeowners must be in favor of the barrier project. The Hughesville Manor community has reached the 75 percent concurrence. Details regarding the construction schedule for the sound barrier project will be forthcoming.

Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

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June 5, 2001

The Honorable Thomas M. Middleton  
Senate of Maryland  
P.O. Box 1735  
Waldorf MD 20604-1735

Dear Senator Middleton:

The State Highway Administration (SHA) will conduct an informational meeting for the Hughesville Manor community regarding the proposed sound barrier along southbound MD 5, adjacent to the community, in Charles County. The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 27, from 7 to 9 p.m., at the Hughesville Volunteer Fire Department, 15245 Prince Frederick Road, Hughesville, Maryland. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the placement of the proposed sound barrier and to obtain concurrence from at least 75 percent of the impacted homeowners. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

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August 3, 2001

The Honorable Van T. Mitchell  
Maryland House of Delegates  
P.O. Box W  
La Plata MD 20646-0630

Dear Delegate Mitchell:

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June 5, 2001

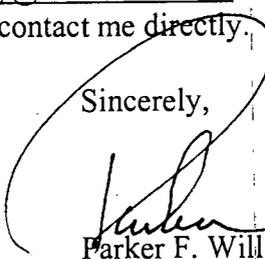
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August 3, 2001

The Honorable Dan K. Morhaim  
Maryland House of Delegates  
Suite 100  
8 Park Center Court  
Owings Mills MD 21117-5609

Dear Delegate Morhaim:

This letter is a follow-up to the State Highway Administration's (SHA) June 4 informational meeting conducted for the Country Club Park community in Baltimore County regarding the planned sound barrier project along northbound I-83. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with this update. As indicated at the meeting, SHA requires that 75 percent of the impacted homeowners must be in favor of the barrier project. The Country Club Park community has reached the 75 percent concurrence. Details regarding the construction schedule for the sound barrier project will be forthcoming.

Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

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Administrator

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May 7, 2001

The Honorable Dan K. Morhaim  
Maryland House of Delegates  
8 Park Center Court, Suite 100  
Owings Mills MD 21117-5609

Dear Delegate Morhaim:

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for the Country Club Park community regarding the proposed sound barrier along northbound I-83, to the north of Seminary Avenue, in Baltimore County. The meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 4, 2001, from 7 to 9 p.m., at the Ridgely Middle School, 121 East Ridgely Road, Lutherville-Timonium, Maryland. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

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March 5, 2001

The Honorable G. Samuel Moxley  
Baltimore County Council  
400 Washington Avenue, Room 205  
Towson MD 21204-4606

Dear Councilman Moxley:

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for the Kenwood Avenue community regarding the proposed sound barriers along the inner and outer loops of I-695 north of the I-695/Wilkins Avenue interchange in Baltimore County. The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 28, 2001, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the cafeteria of the Arbutus Middle School, 5525 Shelbourne Road, Halethorpe, Maryland. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. In case of inclement weather, or if you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

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March 5, 2001

The Honorable Donald E. Murphy  
Maryland House of Delegates  
306 Lowe House Office Building  
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Murphy:

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for the Kenwood Avenue community regarding the proposed sound barriers along the inner and outer loops of I-695 north of the I-695/Wilkens Avenue interchange in Baltimore County. The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 28, 2001, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the cafeteria of the Arbutus Middle School, 5525 Shelbourne Road, Halethorpe, Maryland. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. In case of inclement weather, or if you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Parker', written over a large, stylized flourish.

Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director Environmental Design, State Highway Administration

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Mr. David J. Malkowski, District Engineer, State Highway Administration  
Ms. Nanette M. Schieke, State Legislative Officer, Maryland Department of  
Transportation  
Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration  
Ms. Linda Singer, Community Liaison, State Highway Administration

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January 8, 2001

The Honorable Donald E. Murphy  
Maryland House of Delegates  
306 Lowe House Office Building  
6 governor Bladen Boulevard  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Don:

The State Highway Administration has continued its review of communities in Howard County to determine their eligibility for sound barriers. As a result, it is my pleasure to inform you that the Lawyers Hill community, along northbound I-95 from Montgomery Road to the I-95/I-895 interchange, meets the technical requirements for the State's Sound Barrier Program.

Quality of life issues, such as sound barriers, have been and continue to be one of the cornerstones of my Administration. Whether the issue is highway noise or the condition of our neighborhoods, we strive to provide the best quality of living for our citizens. Major investments in sound barriers have been made during the past five years and will continue to be made as we work to provide relief to communities affected by highway noise.

Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. John D. Porcari, Secretary, Maryland Department of Transportation, at 410-865-1000.

Sincerely,

Parris N. Glendening  
Governor

cc: The Honorable John D. Porcari, Secretary, Maryland Department of Transportation  
Mr. Parker F. Williams, Administrator, State Highway Administration

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bcc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
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Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration  
Mr. Robert Fisher, District Engineer, State Highway Administration

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**Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration**

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Parris N. Glendening  
Governor  
John D. Porcari  
Secretary  
Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

May 22, 2001

The Honorable Shirley Murphy  
Chairperson  
Anne Arundel County Council  
Arundel Center  
P.O. Box 2700  
Annapolis MD 21404-2700

Dear Councilmember Murphy:

This letter is written in response to an inquiry from Councilwoman Barbara A. Samorajczyk, on behalf of the Anne Arundel County Council, concerning the match requirement for the sound barrier project along US 50 from Ridgely Avenue to the Severn River. Recently, the State Highway Administration provided information to Anne Arundel County staff indicating that the match requirement would be \$1,000,081. I appreciate the opportunity to provide the following information.

Our preliminary estimated construction cost was \$3.8 million, which would require a 20 percent cost share of \$770,000 from Anne Arundel County. While SHA's current estimate is still within the original budget amount, we will not know the actual final cost until the project is complete. It is for this reason we suggest that the County budget funding based on the \$1,000,081 figure in the event that the project costs are ultimately higher than our estimate. We apologize for any confusion this may have caused.

Thank you for your interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to our Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

  
Elizabeth L. Horner, Deputy  
Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
Mr. Harvey Gold, Long Range Planning, Anne Arundel County  
Ms. Natalie B. Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
The Honorable Janet S. Owens, Anne Arundel County Executive

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**Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration**

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Administrator

October 23, 2001

The Honorable Janet S. Owens  
Anne Arundel County Executive  
Arundel Center  
P.O. Box 2700  
Annapolis MD 21404-2700

Dear County Executive Owens:

Thank you for your letter on behalf of your constituent, Ms. Maria Hall, of the Harbor Valley Estates community adjacent to northbound I-895 in Anne Arundel County. I appreciate the opportunity to respond to your inquiry.

The Maryland Transportation Authority (MdTA) has jurisdiction over I-895. By copy of this letter, we are forwarding your concerns to Mr. Doug Novocin, Engineering Manager for Highways, who can be reached at 410-288-8503 or [dnovocin@mdtransportationauthority.com](mailto:dnovocin@mdtransportationauthority.com). His mailing address is the Maryland Transportation Authority, Francis Scott Key Bridge, P.O. Box 9088, Dundalk MD 21222-0788.

Thank you again for your letter on behalf of your constituent and for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Charles B. Adams, our Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8640, 1-800-446-5962, or [cadams@sha.state.md.us](mailto:cadams@sha.state.md.us). He will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

- cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
Mr. Robert L. Fisher, District Engineer, State Highway Administration  
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Transportation  
Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration

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**Responding to letter dated:** Follow-up to 10-02-2001 letter from Co. Exec Owens to SHA  
Admin. Parker F. Williams on behalf of constituent, Ms. Maria R. Hall, of the Harbor Valley  
Estates community along northbound I-895

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MARYLAND STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION  
THE ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE (PHONE 410-545-0400 FAX 410-209-5009)

REQUEST FOR PREPARATION OF CORRESPONDENCE

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM AND PREPARED CORRESPONDENCE TO ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE  
(Attn: Donna Austin)

CONTROL # 01Oct19

LOG DATE: 10/09/2001

SENDER: OWENS, JANET S.

SUBJECT: SOUND BARRIER FOR THE HARBOR VALLEY COMMUNITY

- PREPARE RESPONSE FOR ADMINISTRATOR'S SIGNATURE
- PREPARE RESPONSE FOR SECRETARY'S SIGNATURE
- PREPARE RESPONSE FOR GOVERNOR'S SIGNATURE
- REPLY DIRECTLY, CC: ADMINISTRATOR
- PREPARE RESPONSE FOR ADMINISTRATOR FOR GOVERNOR'S SIGNATURE
- PREPARE RESPONSE FOR SECRETARY FOR GOVERNOR'S SIGNATURE

| THE ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE |       |
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| TYPED:                     | _____ |
| PROOFED:                   | _____ |
| DATE IN:                   | _____ |
| APPROVED:                  | _____ |
| FOLLOW UP BY:              | _____ |
| DUE DATE:                  | _____ |

ASSIGNED TO: ADAMS

TO BE RETURNED TO ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE BY: 10/15/2001

RESPONSE PREPARED BY: T.E. SEVERE x8600 10/9/01  
(Name / Telephone / Date)

TYPED BY: T.E. SEVERE

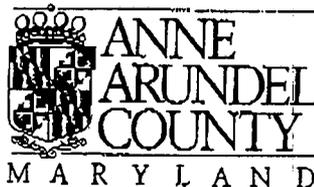
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SENIOR MANAGER'S APPROVAL: cbg

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JANET S. OWENS  
County Executive

October 2, 2001

Ms. Maria Hall  
410 Piedmont Court  
Brooklyn Park, MD 21225

Dear Ms. Hall:

I would like to thank you for your letter of September 17, 2001. Noise is a very important issue that adversely affect our residential communities in Anne Arundel County. However, the County does not determine the need for sound barriers. The State of Maryland makes this determination using a set of fixed technical criteria which include the following: The majority of the homes must predate the highway; the existing noise level must exceed the 66 decibel impact threshold and an effective barrier must be able to be built for \$50,000 or less per benefitted house.

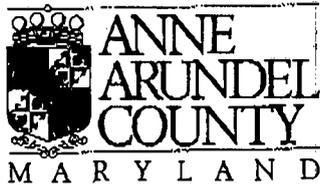
I will request that the State Highway Administration perform a study to determine if your community meets the technical criteria for a sound barrier. If the criteria are met, the project would still need to compete for funding against other capital projects for inclusion in the capital programs for both the State and County.

Sincerely,

Janet S. Owens  
County Executive

JSO/pfg

cc: Harvey Gold, Department of Planning & Zoning  
Parker F. Williams, State Highway Administration ✓



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JANET S. OWENS  
County Executive

October 2, 2001

Parker F. Williams, Administrator  
State Highway Administration  
P.O. Box 717  
Baltimore, MD 21203-0770

Dear Mr. Williams:

I am forwarding a copy of a letter from Ms. Maria Hall of Brooklyn Park requesting that a determination be made for the installation of a sound barrier for the Harbor Valley Community under the State's Sound Barrier Program. Please feel free to contact Mr. Harvey Gold, Senior Transportation Planner, of my staff if we can be of any assistance to you. Mr. Gold can be reached at 410-222-7432.

I would like to thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Janet S. Owens  
County Executive

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cc: Ms. Maria Hall  
Harvey Gold, Department of Planning & Zoning

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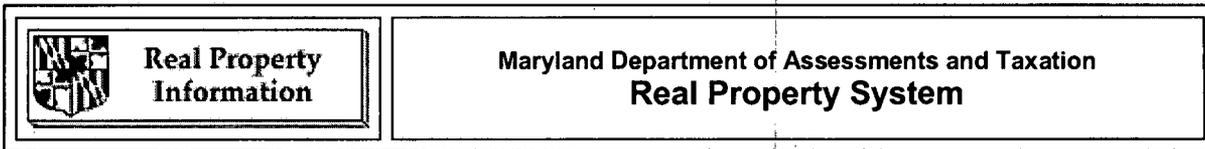
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| Elected Official whom has communicated directly to us on this custome   |                           |                       | AA Co Exec. Janet S. Owens                                |             |                       |                                     |
| DAY PHONE   | HOME PHONE                | E-Mail address        | COMMUNITY   |             |                       |                                     |
|   | 410-789-5670              |                       | Harbor Valley Estates                                     |             |                       |                                     |
| Logical Project Limits  | ROADWAY:                  | I-895                 | INQUIRY   | BarrierName |                       |                                     |
| NB I-895 south of Belle Grove Road  |                           |                       | wants Ms. Hall's community considered for a sound barrier |             |                       |                                     |
| RESPONSE  | Last Contact              | Researcher:           | Primary SHA Contact                                       | 2nd Contact |                       |                                     |
| I-895 not SHA jurisdiction - belongs to MdTA - referred concerns to Mr. Doug Novocin of MdTA  | 10/09/2001                |                       | None  |             |                       |                                     |
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DISTRICT: 05 SUBD: 385 ACCT NO: 90046753

**Owner Information**

Owner Name: HALL JR, RONALD E  
 HALL, MARIA R  
 Mailing Address: 410 PIEDMONT CT  
 BALTIMORE MD 21225 - 2961  
 Transferred From: WOODED VALLEY ASSOCS  
 Deed Reference: 1) / 5021/ 557  
 2)  
 Use: RESIDENTIAL  
 Principal Residence: YES  
 Date: 02/02/1990 Price: \$112,611  
 Special Tax Recapture: \* NONE \*  
 Tax Exempt: NO

**Location Information [View Map]**

Premises Address: 410 PIEDMONT CT  
 BALTIMORE 21225  
 Zoning: R5  
 Legal Description: LT 143 PL 3  
 410 PIEDMONT CT  
 HARBOR VALLEY ESTATES  
 Map Grid Parcel Subdiv Sect Block Lot Group Plat No: 3  
 1 24 361 385 143 81 Plat Ref: 98/ 50  
 Special Tax Areas  
 Town:  
 Ad Valorem:  
 Tax Class:

**Primary Structure Data**

Year Built: 1990  
 Enclosed Area: 1,344 SF  
 Property Land Area: 7,378.00 SF  
 County Use:

**Value Information**

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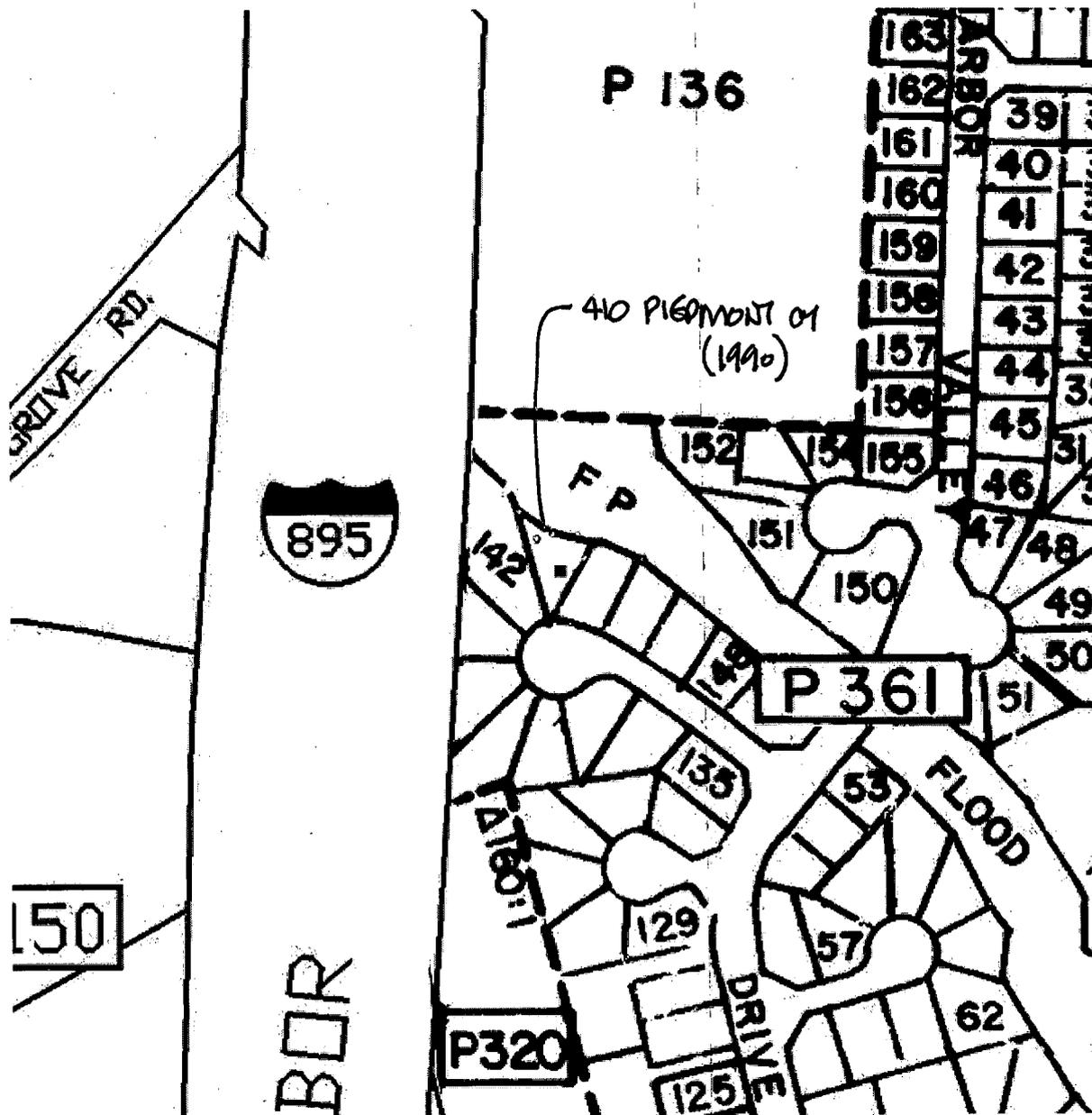
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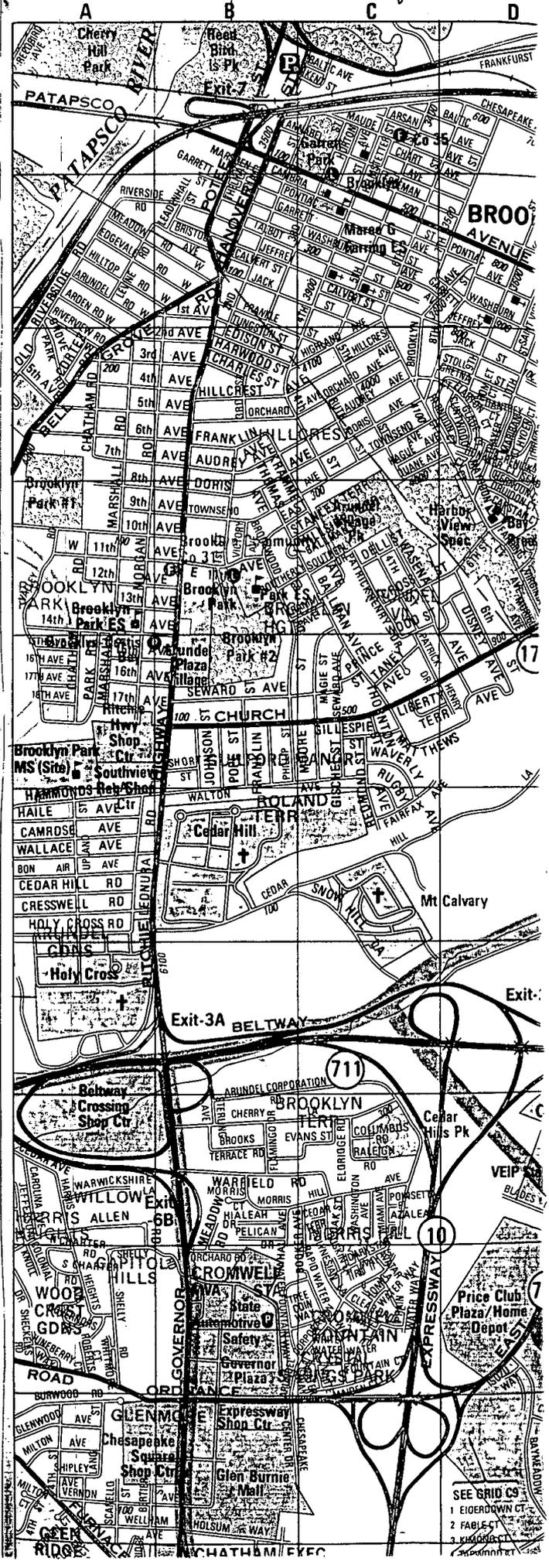
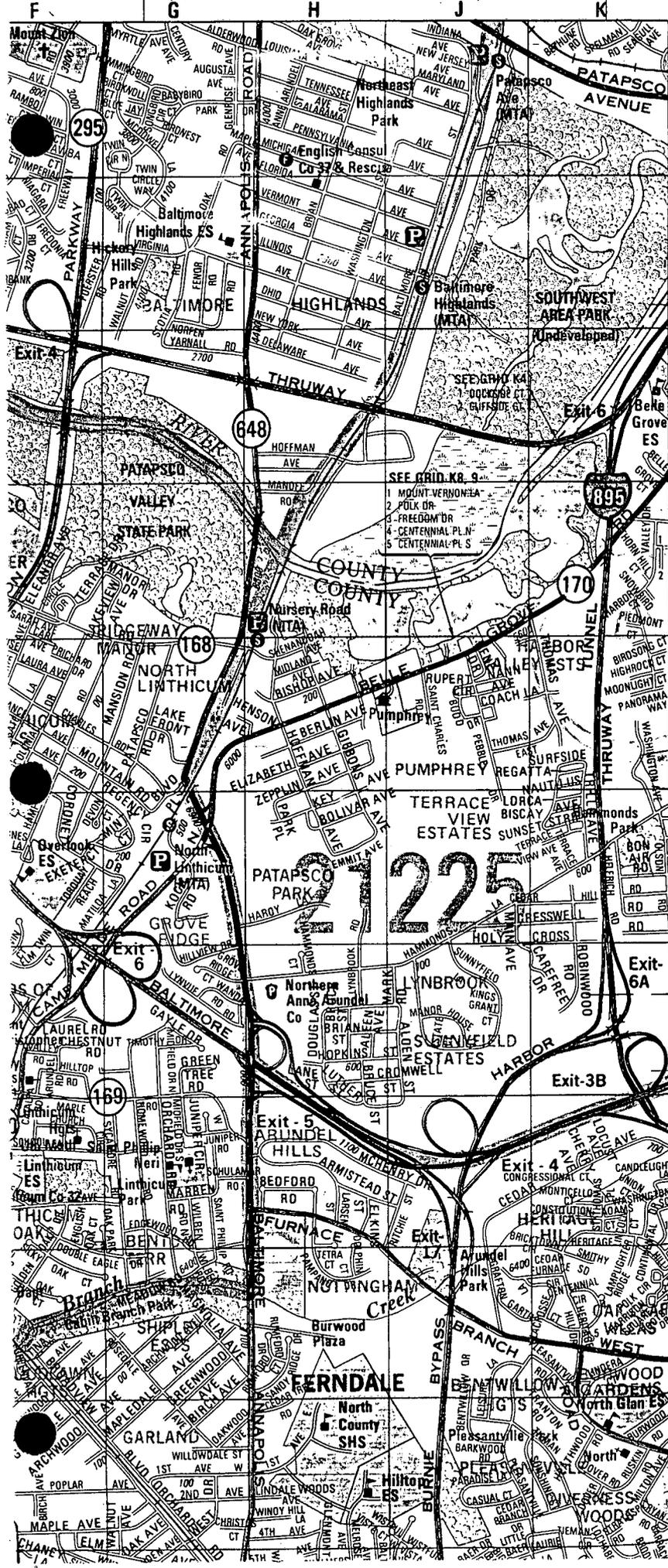
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August 1, 2001

Mr. Luis F. Barragan, Jr. P.E.  
Project Engineer  
lbarragan@tamsconsultants.com  
TAMS Consultants, Inc.  
300 Broadacres Drive, Suite 5  
Bloomfield NJ 07003-3187

Dear Mr. Barragan:

This letter is a follow-up to your recent e-mail message requesting information concerning access through sound/noise barriers to accommodate emergency vehicles. I appreciate the opportunity to respond to your inquiry.

Presently, the State Highway Administration (SHA) has only one sound barrier that allows emergency access through it to the neighboring community. This barrier is located along northbound US 29 north of MD 216 at Hammond Drive. This opening to the community has a fiberglass gate and this opening's gate does not mitigate highway traffic noise.

You mentioned in your e-mail that you believed that there is an access door in I-895 south of the Baltimore Harbor Tunnel. The barrier is located along I-895, which is overseen by the Maryland Transportation Authority. The person to contact there is Mr. Doug Novocin, Engineering Manager for Highways. The mailing address is the Maryland Transportation Authority, Francis Scott Key Bridge, P.O. Box 9088, Dundalk, Maryland 21222-0788. Mr. Novocin's telephone number is 410-288-8503 and his e-mail address is dnovocin@mdtransprotationauthority.com.

Thank you for your e-mail message. If you have additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 410-545-8599 or, by e-mail, at [jhade@sha.state.md.us](mailto:jhade@sha.state.md.us).

Sincerely,

James D. Hade, RLA  
Noise Abatement Team Leader  
Office of Environmental Design

cc: Mr. Doug Novocin, Engineering Manager for Highways, Maryland Transportation Authority

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**From:** IRENE HELINE  
**To:** DONNA AUSTIN  
**Date:** 10/9/01 11:57AM  
**Subject:** Seria #01oct19

Donna,

The Noise Team told me that this response should go to Mr. Doug Novocin at MdTA. His telephone number is 410-288-8503. The area of concern is near MD 895 (Harbor Tunnel) and SHA does not have jurisdiction there. Do we still need to respond to Ms. Owens to tell her this or is this something that you can handle. Please let me know.

Thanks,

Irene

**CC:** CHRIS DIACZOK; JIM HADE; NATALIE HARDY; TED SEVERE



**Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration**

March 14, 2001

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Parris N. Glendening  
Governor

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Secretary

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Administrator

The Honorable Janet S. Owens  
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Dear County Executive Owens:

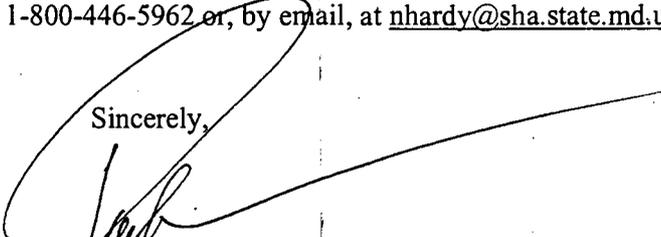
Thank you for sending your aide, Ms. Jacqueline Allsup, to the February 27 informational meeting, hosted by the State Highway Administration (SHA), regarding sound barriers for the Riverview and Lindamoor communities along both sides of US 50 between the Severn River Bridge and Ridgely Avenue in Anne Arundel County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the following information.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the sound barrier plans for the Riverview and Lindamoor communities, which are currently receiving high levels of traffic noise, and to determine if the property owners approve of the sound barrier project. Approximately 36 residents of the two communities attended the meeting. We are following up with those property owners who were unable to attend the meeting by providing them with copies of the materials distributed at the meeting, including ballots for those property owners who are impacted by highway traffic noise. Once the ballots from the impacted property owners are returned, we will forward the results.

Currently, this project is funded for engineering and design. When SHA receives Anne Arundel County's commitment to fund 20 percent of the project's cost, we will proceed with the advertisement and construction of the project. Enclosed, for your information, are copies of the distributed materials: the meeting agenda; an information sheet listing typical noises in the environment; two plan sheets showing the locations of the proposed barriers; four cross-section sheets of the roadway; and a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*.

Thank you for your interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, our Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

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Enclosures:

One copy of *Agenda* for 02-27-2001 meeting

One copy of *Sound* informational sheet

One copy each of 11" x 17" *Plan Sheet for the Riverview Manor Community*, two *Cross-Section Sheets* (Riverview); *Plan Sheet for the Lindamoore Community*; two *Cross-Section Sheets* (Lindamoore) – total of six 11" x 17" sheets

One copy of MDOT/SHA brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*



**Maryland Department of Transportation  
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February 12, 2001

The Honorable Janet S. Owens  
Anne Arundel County Executive  
Arundel Center  
P.O. Box 2700  
Annapolis MD 21404-2700

Dear County Executive Owens:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Janet".

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for the Riverview/Lindamoor community regarding the proposed sound barriers along both sides of US 50 between the Severn River Bridge and Ridgely Avenue. This meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 27, 2001, from 7 to 9 p.m., at the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 710 Ridgely Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

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Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director, Office of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
Ms. Natalie B. Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director, Office of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration

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December 12, 2001

Ms. LeAnn Parmenter  
Transportation and Special Projects Division  
Bureau of Engineering  
Howard County Department of Public Works  
9250 Bendix Road  
Columbia MD 21045-1800

Dear Ms. Parmenter:

This is a follow-up to your recent letter to Mr. Charles Adams requesting a sound barrier analysis for the Old Columbia Road at MD 175 community along US 29 in Howard County. I appreciate the opportunity to bring you up to date on this area.

The State Highway Administration (SHA) wrote to Ms. Marilyn E. Dorfman on November 1 regarding a sound barrier near her home at 5505 Old Columbia Road. As stated in that letter, in 1998, SHA had evaluated the community for a sound barrier and determined that the community could not be considered for a barrier because the cost-per-residence criterion of our Sound Barrier Policy was exceeded for only three pre-dating homes. Our Sound Barrier Policy has since been revised with respect to consideration of historic homes and areas and we are re-evaluating her community in that context. We anticipate being able to report the results of this re-evaluation by the end of October 2002. A copy of our letter to Ms. Dorfman is attached for your information.

Thank you for your letter to Mr. Adams and your interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 410-545-8599 or 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at [jhade@sha.state.md.us](mailto:jhade@sha.state.md.us).

Sincerely,

James D. Hade, RLA  
Noise Abatement Team Leader  
Office of Environmental Design

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director, Office of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
Ms. Marilyn E. Dorfman  
Mr. Robert L. Fisher, District Engineer, State Highway Administration  
The Honorable C. Vernon Gray, Member, Howard County Council  
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Engineering, Howard County Department of Public Works  
Mr. Samuel DeLaurence, Project Engineer, District 7, State Highway Administration  
Ms. Nanette M. Schieke, State Legislative Officer, Maryland Department of Transportation  
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requesting noise study for Old Columbia Road at MD 175 along US 29 in Howard County

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Enclosure:

One copy of 11-01-2001 letter from Mr. Charles B. Adams to Ms. Marilyn E. Dorfman



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November 1, 2001

Ms. Marilyn E. Dorfman  
5505 Old Columbia Road  
Columbia MD 21045-3202

Dear Ms. Dorfman:

This letter is a follow-up to your recent e-mail message to Mr. Sam DeLaurence, State Highway Administration (SHA) Transportation Engineer, regarding Old Columbia Road near MD 175 in Howard County. Mr. DeLaurence forwarded a copy of your e-mail for us to respond to your inquiry regarding a sound barrier to protect your community. I appreciate the opportunity to address your concerns regarding a sound barrier.

The State Highway Administration (SHA) considers the need for sound barriers in two circumstances, designated "Type I" and "Type II." In "Type I" situations, barriers are considered when a new highway is being built or an existing highway is being expanded. We do so to comply with environmental laws that were passed in the 1970s that require the evaluation of a range of potential environmental impacts, including noise. Under these laws, SHA performs an environmental analysis to determine if future noise levels will equal or exceed the impact threshold of 66 decibels and will increase by at least three decibels over the condition of *not* improving the highway, and, if so, whether those noise levels can be reduced for a reasonable cost. Affected homes must predate the approval of the highway improvements. The basis for the requirement of a minimum of a three decibel change is that the human ear can only begin to discern sound level changes between three and five decibels.

When a highway already exists and is *not* being expanded—so that Type I criteria do not apply—a community that predates the original highway may be considered for a "Type II," or "retrofit," barrier. The intent of the Type II program is to address areas of noise impact along highways that were built before environmental analyses became a part of the highway development process. All of the following technical criteria must be met for a barrier to be approved: the majority of homes must predate the highway; existing noise levels must equal or exceed the 66 decibel impact threshold; and an effective barrier must be able to be built for \$50,000 or less per benefited home. If these criteria are met, the County in which the community is located must have an ordinance that addresses the impact of noise on new residential development, and the County must agree to fund 20 percent of the barrier cost.

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In 1998, SHA evaluated your community to determine its eligibility for a sound barrier under the State's Type II program as outlined above. At that time the community did not meet the cost per residence criterion because a barrier was considered for only three pre-dating homes. Since that time we have revised the portion of our Sound Barrier Policy related to consideration of historic homes and areas and we are re-evaluating your area. We anticipate being able to report the results of this investigation by the end of October 2002. In the interim, we would be happy to provide you with updates on the progress of the analysis as information becomes available. Enclosed, for your information, is a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*, that outlines the State's Sound Barrier Policy.

Thank you for your e-mail message and interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. James Hade, our Noise Abatement Team Leader, at 410-545-8599 or 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at [jhade@sha.state.md.us](mailto:jhade@sha.state.md.us). They will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



Charles B. Adams

Director

Office of Environmental Design

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Samuel DeLaurence, District Transportation Engineer, State Highway Administration  
Mr. Robert L. Fisher, District Engineer, State Highway Administration  
The Honorable C. Vernon Gray, Member, Maryland House of Delegates  
James D. Hade, RLA, Noise Abatement Team Leader, State Highway Administration  
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Ronald G. Lepson, Chief

November 29, 2001

Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director  
Office of Environmental Design  
State Highway Administration  
P.O. Box 717  
Baltimore, MD 21203-0717

Subject: Capital Project J-4178  
State Sound Barriers

Dear Mr. Adams:

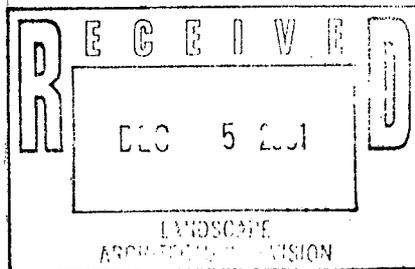
I am forwarding a request from Ms. Marilyn Dorfman for a noise barrier analysis along US 29 at Old Columbia Road. We have also forwarded a copy of the letter to District 7 in regard to the closure of Old Columbia Road.

If there are any changes to the schedule or any questions please contact me at (410)313-4401 or LeAnn Parmenter at (410) 313-6143.

Sincerely,

LeAnn Parmenter  
Transportation and Special Projects Division

Jim:  
Please draft a response  
to Ms. Dorfman w/ copy  
to LeAnn.  
Thanks  
[Signature]





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*Ronald G. Lepson, Chief*

November 27, 2001

Ms. Marilyn Dorfman  
5505 Old Columbia Road  
Columbia, MD 21045

Subject: Old Columbia Road

Dear Ms. Dorfman:

In response to your inquiry to the State (and County) about (1) noise/sound barrier needed along US29 and (2) closure, what other exit alternative could they use if Old Columbia Road's access to US29 is denied.

In regard to noise, on your behalf we are requesting SHA to see if the criteria for a noise wall are met for your community. If the State finds that your community qualifies, then the State would be expected to request Howard County for the 20% local fund share. The State would then seek needed easements and schedule construction.

We have conferred with George Miller and Sam De Laurence of SHA District #7. Both State and the County believe that the access from Old Columbia Road to US29 should be discontinued due to the increased speed and volume of US29 traffic, it is not physically or financially practical to provide long enough deceleration and acceleration ramp to Old Columbia Road within such close proximity to the MD32 interchange.

In the mid-eighties the State completed a long range US29 corridor study that shows the desired closing of this and other direct roadway access to US29. Although there is no funding at the present time, the County's Transportation Engineering staff recommends that State funds be allocated to this end. By copy of this email to you, we ask the State to program funds for the closure evaluation as early as possible.

Yours very truly,

  
Elizabeth A. Calia, Chief  
Transportation and Special Projects Division  
Enclosure (map)

cc: S. De Laurence



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December 31, 2001

Ms. Deanna Peel  
Special Assistant to The Honorable Guy Guzzone  
Howard County Council  
3430 Court House Drive  
Ellicott City MD 21043-4392

Dear Ms. Peel:

The State Highway Administration (SHA) will conduct an informational meeting for the Hammond Hills/Patuxent Springs/Lyons Hill and Murray Hill Townhouses/Hammond Hills communities regarding the proposed sound barrier along the north side of relocated MD 216 between US 29 and Leishear Road in Howard County. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 24, 2002, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the Banneker Room of the George Howard Building, 3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City, Maryland. Before the meeting, displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the sound barriers proposed for this project and to seek concurrence on the construction of barriers from at least 75 percent of the impacted property owners that would benefit from the barriers. We will distribute vote cards at the meeting to those impacted homeowners. Impacted property owners who are eligible to vote are those whose homes would experience a 10 decibel increase in highway noise levels over the existing conditions, and also those whose homes will experience highway noise levels of 66 decibels or greater from the new highway. The purpose of the vote will be to obtain agreement on the construction of sound barriers in order that we may proceed with the design of barriers.

Property owners who are unable to attend this meeting will receive a summary of the meeting and copies of all materials distributed at the meeting, approximately 7 to 10 days following the meeting. Voting cards will also be included for impacted property owners who are unable to attend the meeting.

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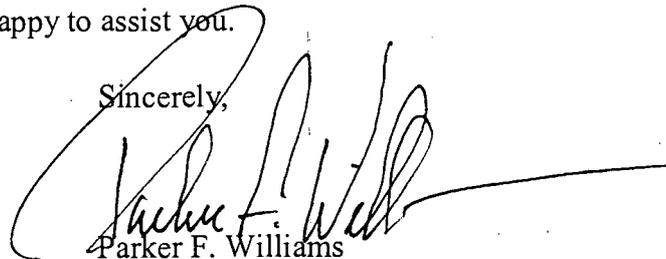
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November 26, 2001

Ms. Deanna Peel  
Special Assistant to  
The Honorable Guy Guzzone  
Howard County Council  
3430 Court House Drive  
Ellicott City MD 21043-4392

Dear Ms. Peel:

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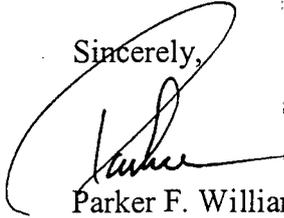
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July 9, 2001

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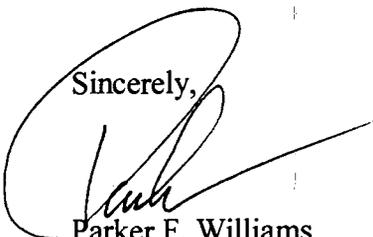
Dear Delegate Pendergrass:

This letter is a follow-up to the recent telephone conversation between Ms. Ann Geddes, your legislative assistant, and Ms. Natalie Hardy, of my staff, regarding the informational meeting for the proposed changes for MD 216 in Howard County. I appreciate the opportunity to respond to your inquiry.

The State Highway Administration (SHA) is re-analyzing the potential noise impacts for the MD 216 corridor in light of the project's expansion from four to six lanes. We will report the results to you once this analysis is complete. Also, enclosed per your request is a copy of our brochure, "Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers."

Thank you again for your interest in this matter. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Hardy at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

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Parker F. Williams  
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August 15, 2001

The Honorable Shane Pendergrass  
The Honorable Frank S. Turner  
Maryland House of Delegates  
209 Lowe House Office Building  
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegates Pendergrass and Turner:

Thank you for your recent letter regarding increased noise levels along MD 32 near Savage following the removal of trees. I appreciate your patience and the opportunity to provide the following information.

The Bethel Assembly of God Church, in Savage, has an adjacent outdoor area where children may play. A representative of the Church contacted the State Highway Administration (SHA) to request permission to remove poisonous plants and underbrush that might harbor small rabid animals. As a result of their request, a permit was granted to remove and trim unsightly underbrush and poisonous plants from SHA's right-of-way along MD 32, where the right-of-way abuts the church property. Additionally, a tree removal permit was obtained from the Department of Natural Resources to remove numerous oak, ash, poplar, black gum, and virginia pine under four inches in diameter (breast height) and treat stumps along Route 32, south of Vollmerhausen Road, Jessup.

It is our intent to initiate a limited replanting of this area through an open-end planting contract. We will also perform the work necessary to remove any remaining poisonous vegetation that may have been missed. However, we would like to caution that the vegetation that was removed would not have significantly reduced highway traffic noise. The Federal Highway Administration published a pamphlet entitled *Highway Traffic Noise* (a copy of which is enclosed) that suggests, on page 12, that it would take a 200 foot wide buffer of densely planted, mature, evergreen vegetation to significantly reduce noise levels for homes that are closest to the highway. The right-of-way at this location had, before the trimming, relatively young deciduous trees and shrubs. The deciduous trees were not more than approximately 35 feet tall.

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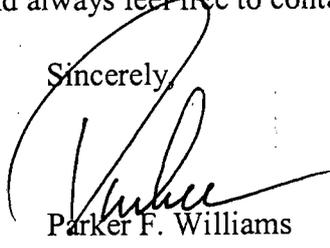
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Thank you for your letter. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to our Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

Enclosure

- cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
- Mr. Jim Buckalew, District 7 Utilities, State Highway Administration
- Ms. Natalie B. Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
- Mr. Kenneth Oldham, Division Chief, Landscape Operations Division, Office of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
- Mr. Frank A. Spicher, Sr., President, Savage Community Association

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bcc: Mr. Fran Bateman, Landscape Operations Division, Office of Environmental Design,  
State Highway Administration  
Ms. Valerie Burnette Edgar, Director of Communications, State Highway Administration  
Mr. Robert L. Fisher, District Engineer, State Highway Administration  
James D. Hade, RLA, Noise Abatement Team Leader, State Highway Administration  
Ms. Susan Heidebrecht, Landscape Operations Division, Office of Environmental Design,  
State Highway Administration  
Mr. Neil J. Pedersen, Deputy Administrator for Planning and Engineering, State Highway  
Administration  
Ms. Nanette M. Schieke, State Legislative Officer, Maryland Department of  
Transportation  
Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration

**Serial #:** 01Aug5

**OED Serial#:** None

**Noise Customer #:** 2398

**Responding to letter dated:** Follow-up to 07-24-2001 letter from Dels. Pendergrass and Turner  
to Mr. Parker F. Williams requesting follow-up information on tree removal along MD 32 in the  
Savage, MD, area near Vollmerhausen Road

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Enclosure:

One copy (for each delegate) of USDOT/FHWA pamphlet, *Highway Traffic Noise*, dated  
September 1980

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MARYLAND STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION  
THE ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE (PHONE 410-545-0400 FAX 410-209-5009)

REQUEST FOR PREPARATION OF CORRESPONDENCE

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM AND PREPARED CORRESPONDENCE TO ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE  
(Attn: Donna Austin)

CONTROL # 01Aug5

LOG DATE: 08/01/2001

SENDER: PENDERGRASS, SHANE/TURNER

SUBJECT: REMOVAL OF SHRUBBERALONG ROUTE 32/INCREASED NOISE LEVELS FOLLOWING THIS  
REMOVAL

- PREPARE RESPONSE FOR ADMINISTRATOR'S SIGNATURE
- PREPARE RESPONSE FOR SECRETARY'S SIGNATURE
- PREPARE RESPONSE FOR GOVERNOR'S SIGNATURE
- REPLY DIRECTLY, CC: ADMINISTRATOR
- PREPARE RESPONSE FOR ADMINISTRATOR FOR GOVERNOR'S SIGNATURE
- PREPARE RESPONSE FOR SECRETARY FOR GOVERNOR'S SIGNATURE

| THE ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE |       |
|----------------------------|-------|
| DRAFTED BY:                | _____ |
| SIGNIFICANT REVISIONS BY:  | _____ |
| TYPED:                     | _____ |
| PROOFED:                   | _____ |
| DATE IN:                   | _____ |
| APPROVED:                  | _____ |
| FOLLOW UP BY:              | _____ |
| DUE DATE:                  | _____ |

ASSIGNED TO: ADAMS

TO BE RETURNED TO ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE BY: 08/07/2001

RESPONSE PREPARED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

(Name / Telephone / Date)

TYPED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

T.E. SEVERE

PROOFREAD BY: \_\_\_\_\_

J. HADE / N. HAROY / ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

SENIOR MANAGER'S APPROVAL: \_\_\_\_\_

*J. Hade for Susie Jacobs for C. Adams*

WAS THERE PERSONAL CONTACT WITH THE SENDER? [ ] YES [ ] NO

REMARKS: \_\_\_\_\_

*Reviewed by phone w Susie J.  
8/10/01 J. Hade*

SHANE PENDERGRASS  
Legislative District 13A  
Howard County

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*The Maryland House of Delegates*  
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401-1991

July 24, 2001

Mr. Parker F. Williams  
Administrator  
State Highway Administration  
707 N. Calvert Street  
Room C-400  
Baltimore, MD 21202

Dear Mr. Williams:

On May 8th we wrote to you regarding the removal of shrubbery along Route 32 in Savage and complaints we had received from the community of Savage about increased noise levels following this removal. We asked you to look into the matter. We received a response from your office on May 16th that The State Highway Administration's Office of Environmental Design would investigate the area in question, and provide the results of their investigation within 30 days. Two months have now passed and we still have not received a response. Could you please update us on the progress of the investigation?

Sincerely,

Shane Pendergrass  
Delegate

Frank Turner  
Delegate

cc: Frank Spicher, Sr.  
Linda Doran

SHANE PENDERGRASS  
Legislative District 13A  
Howard County

Environmental Matters Committee  
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Howard County

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Subcommittee on Education  
and Economic Development

Oversight Committee on P.O.S.  
and Land Preservation

Oversight Committee  
on Personnel

May 8, 2001

Mr. Parker F. Williams, Administrator  
State Highway Administration  
707 N. Calvert Street  
Room C-400  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Dear Mr. Williams:

Enclosed you will find a copy of correspondence which we have received from Mr. Frank A. Spicher, Sr., President of the Savage Community Association( 8832 Baltimore Street, Savage, Maryland, 20763; telephone: 301/490-5251) regarding a recent increase in noise coming from Route 32 after the removal of trees along Route 32.

You may recall there is a history to this matter. The issue was brought to our attention a year ago by residents living in that particular area. We asked the SHA, at that time, to look into and provide answers to the environmental concerns that were raised, noise or run off, resulting from the clearing of brush and trees from along Route 32 versus someone's desire to clear the land.

We would appreciate your checking into the matter for us again and provide us with information regarding the criteria for issuing a clearing permit, whether a clearing permit was issued, and did the State Highway Administration clear the land? We are grateful for your help and look forward to your earliest possible response.

Sincerely,

Shane Pendergrass  
Delegate

Frank S. Turner  
Delegate

cc: Mr. Frank A. Spicher, Sr.  
Ms. Linda Doran

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**Delegate Shane Pendergrass**

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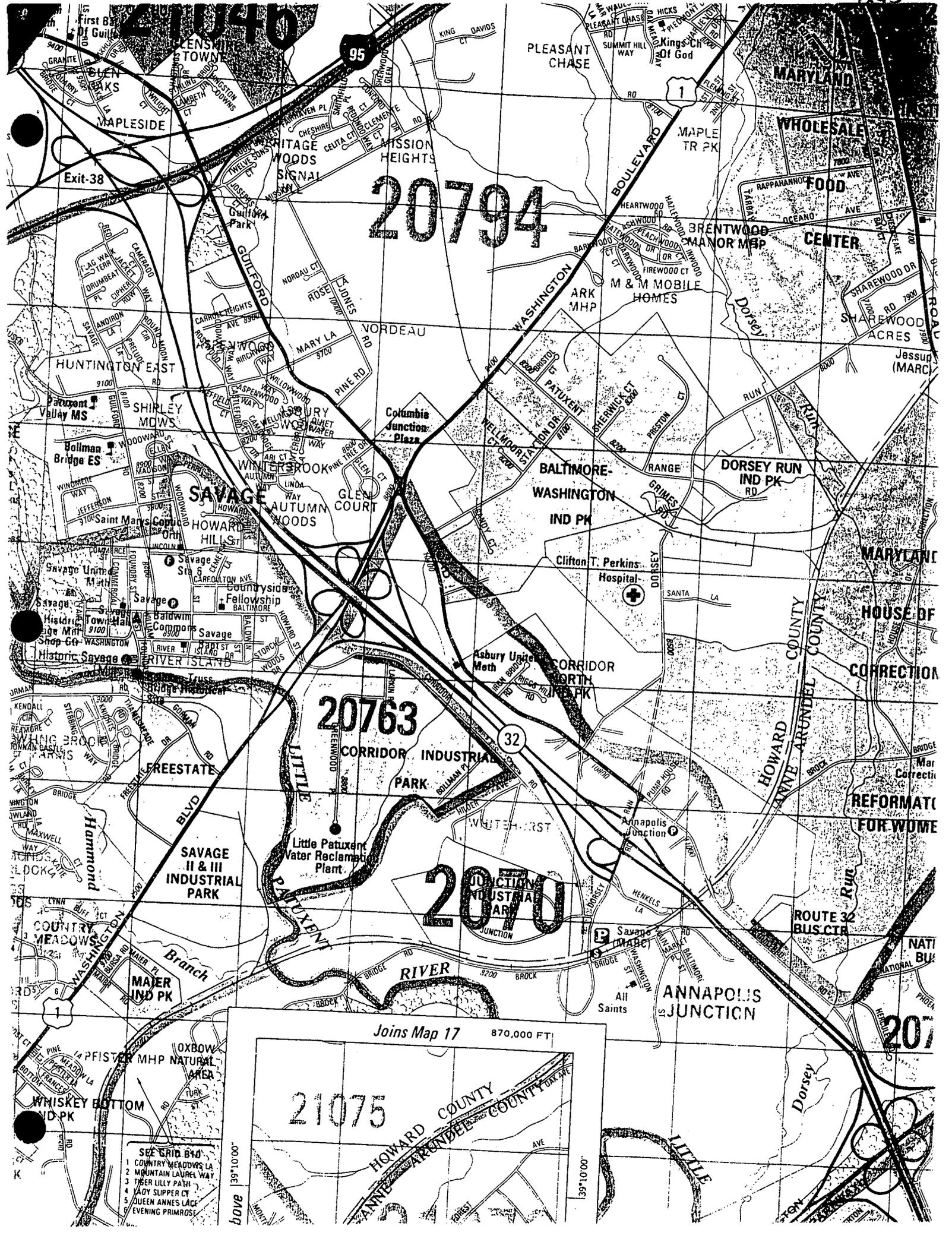
**From:** Frank Spicher [fspicher@mddsg.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, May 04, 2001 12:21 AM  
**To:** Shane Pendergrass  
**Cc:** Linda Doran  
**Subject:** Increased noise from Rt. 32

Dear Shane,

It has been brought to the attention of the Savage Community Association that there has been a recent increase in noise coming from Rt. 32. Residents living in the Madison Street area noticed the increased noise level immediately after the removal of trees along Rt. 32, on the east side of the Volmerhausen Rd. overpass. Could you please let us know what precipitated the removal of those trees along Rt. 32 and, I might add, only those trees. We don't see where any other trees were removed along that stretch of highway.

Thanks in advance for your help in answering these questions,  
Frank A. Spicher, Sr.  
President, Savage Community Association

5/8/01



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LITTLE PATUXENT RIVER

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**HOWARD COUNTY**

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**DISTRICT: 06 ACCT NO: 545963**

**Owner Information**

|                         |  |                                |
|-------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| <b>Owner Name:</b>      | BETHEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD<br>8340 WOODWARD STREET | <b>Use:</b> EXEMPT             |
| <b>Mailing Address:</b> | P O BOX 416<br>SAVAGE MD 20763                 | <b>Principal Residence:</b> NO |

**Transferred**

**From:** VOLLMERHAUSEN SECTION III INC    **Date:** 03/21/1994    **Price:** \$0

**Deed Reference:**    1)    **Special Tax Recapture:**

2)

\* NONE \*

**Tax Exempt:** COUNTY AND STATE  
**CLASS:** CHURCHES, SYNAGOGUES, & PARSONAGES

**Location Information [View Map]**

|                                    |                |   |
|------------------------------------|----------------|---|
| <b>Premises Address:</b>           | <b>Zoning:</b> | <b>Legal Description:</b>                           |
| VOLLMERHAUSEN ROAD<br>JESSUP 20794 | RSC            | LOT 63 7.3268 A<br>VOLLMERHAUSEN<br>SHIPLEY MEADOWS |

|                 |               |               |             |              |            |              |                  |       |
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| <b>Map Grid</b> | <b>Parcel</b> | <b>Subdiv</b> | <b>Sect</b> | <b>Block</b> | <b>Lot</b> | <b>Group</b> | <b>Plat No:</b>  | 11009 |
| 47              | 5             | 34            |             |              | 63         | 81           | <b>Plat Ref:</b> |       |

**Special Tax Areas**                      **Town:**

**Ad Valorem:**                      A/V, METRO FIRE TAX

**Tax Class:**

**Primary Structure Data**

|                    |                       |                            |                    |
|--------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Year Built:</b> | <b>Enclosed Area:</b> | <b>Property Land Area:</b> | <b>County Use:</b> |
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**Value Information**

|               | Base Value     | Current Value  |                | Phase-In Value |                | Phase-in Assessments |       |
|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------|-------|
|               |                | As Of                | As Of |
|               |                | 01/01/1999     | 07/01/2001     | 07/01/2000     | 07/01/2001     |                      |       |
| Land:         | 128,200        | 358,680        |                |                |                |                      |       |
| Impts:        | 0              | 0              |                |                |                |                      |       |
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**Partial Exempt Assessments**

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| State     | 000  | 0          | 0          |
| Municipal | 000  | 0          | 0          |

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| ID #  | MAP                     | DATE   | Letter or Phone on                                 | LAST NAME           | FIRST NAME            | Active?                             |
| 2398  |                         | 05/10/2001   | Letter   | SPICHER             | Mr. Frank A., Sr.     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| STREET#:  | STREET NAME             | COUNTY   | CITY (Post office)                                 | ZIPCODE             | Representative statu  |                                     |
| 8832  | Baltimore Street        | HO   | Savage   | 20763-9701          | community repre       |                                     |
| Elected Official whom has communicated directly to us on this custome   |                         |  | Dels. Shane Pendergrass & Frank S. Turner          |                     |                       |                                     |
| DAY PHONE   | HOME PHONE              | E-Mail address                                       | COMMUNITY  |                     |                       |                                     |
|   | 301-490-5251            | fspicher@mddsg.co                                    | Savage   |                     |                       |                                     |
| Logical Project Limits  | ROADWAY:                | INQUIRY  | BarrierName  |                     |                       |                                     |
| EB32 in vicinity of Volmerhausen Rd overpass  |                         | trees cut down along MD 32, now noisier              |  |                     |                       |                                     |
| RESPONSE  | Last Contact            |  | Researcher:  | Primary SHA Contact | 2nd Contact           |                                     |
| LOD to investigate; results to be reported in several weeks   | 05/10/2001              |  |  | Natalie             |                       |                                     |
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| LAST action   | Letter signed date      | Reason Letter is Late                                |  |                     |                       |                                     |
|   |                         | n/a  |  |                     |                       |                                     |
| 05/08/01 - letter from Dels. Pendergrass & Turner regarding increased noise from MD 32 near Vollmerhausen Rd o/pass after removal of trees from area; wants investigation |                         |  |  |                     |                       |                                     |
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| 05/2001 EO's Dist. 13A Sen. Martin G. Madden; Dels. Shane Pendergrass; Frank S. Turner; HO Cnclmn Guy Guzzone; Mr. Guzzone's Spec. Asst. Ms. Deanna Peel                  |                         |  |  |                     | Construction Projects |                                     |
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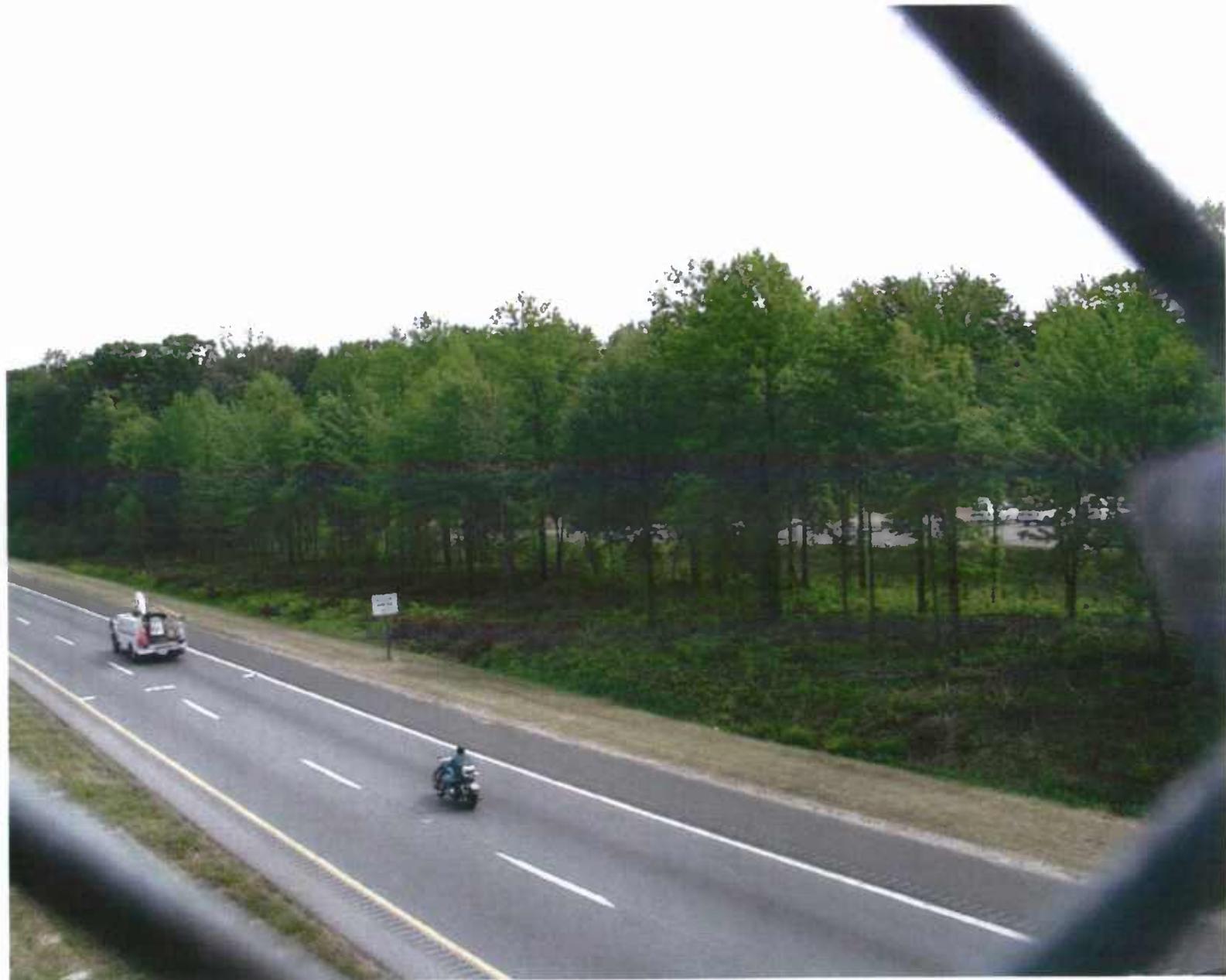


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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION  
OF MARYLAND**

Permit No. 7-HQ-5814-DO  
January 11, 2001

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**PERMISSION IS HEREBY GIVEN:**

Rev. E. Don Cox  
Bethel Assembly of God  
PO Box 416  
Savage, MD 20763

so far as the State Highway Administration has the right and power to grant same, to remove and trim unsightly under brush and poisonous plants from (SHA) right of way along MD 32 abutting the church property. No trees will be trimmed or removed without a permit from the Department of National Resources under the following conditions:

1. All traffic control shall meet District #7 Traffic Control Plan Specifications and shall be in place before any work starts. Maintenance of Traffic shall be strictly enforced. Use only traffic barrels in excellent condition or traffic cones 28" high with a bottom width of 10". Barrels and cones cannot be inter-mixed, use one or the other.
2. Tree Permit No 1999C167 needs to be renewed.

The Permittee has designated Rev. Don Cox to be the Traffic Manager (TM) and 24 hour emergency number: 301-498-3344. The TM shall be responsible for properly implementing and maintaining the Traffic Control Plan (TCP) as well as conducting regular day and night inspections of the traffic control devices and overall traffic operations. The TM shall comply with all requirements as outlined in the full length SHA permit and section 104.-00 - 104.99 (a) of the Maryland Temporary Traffic Control Manual.

Permittee must notify the District Permit inspector at 301-624-8115 or 1-800-635-5119, 48 hours before work is to begin and upon completion of this work so that final inspection can be made.

Note: The best time to reach our inspectors is Monday, Wednesday, and Friday between 7:30 AM to 9:00 AM at this office.

Said work to be completed within 365 days from the date hereof.

**THIS PERMIT IS ISSUED WITH THE REQUIREMENT THAT IT WILL BE ENFORCED BY THE GENERAL PROVISIONS, SPECIAL PROVISIONS, AND PERMIT REGULATIONS AS OUTLINED IN THE FULL LENGTH SHA UTILITY PERMIT WHICH WILL HEREBY BE ATTACHED TO THIS PAGE AND FOUND ON THE JOB SITE AT ALL TIMES.**

STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

BY: John J. Nashitt  
James O. Buckalew  
District Utility Engineer

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Permit No. 7-HO-4844-DO  
September 15, 1999

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STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

BY: John J. Nesbitt  
FOR James O. Buckalew  
District Utility Engineer

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**THIS PERMIT EXPIRES AFTER ONE YEAR OF ISSUE DATE**



**TREE PERMIT** RTI No.: 1999C167  
**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**  
**MARYLAND FOREST SERVICE**

County: Howard

Name: Rev. E. Don Cox

Address: 8455 Savage Guilford Road, Savage, MD 20763-

is hereby granted a permit to: Remove trees near Jessup

Described as follows: remove numerous oak, ash, poplar, black gum, virginia pine. All under 4" diameter (breast height) and treat stumps along Route 32, south of Vollmerhausen Road, Jessup, MD.

**EXCLUDING ANY TREE NOT WITHIN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF A PUBLIC HIGHWAY**

*Provided, that the work authorized by this permit shall not begin until the Forest Warden designated by the Director as his agent shall be present and give their sanction to the means employed, and that the work may be suspended by order of the Forest Warden upon any failure or refusal of the operators to perform it in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Department of Natural Resources - Forest Service.*

*This permit is granted under authority of the Annotated Code of Maryland, 1979, under Title 5, Subtitle 406, which places the care and protection of all trees growing within the right-of-way of any public road or between the curb and property lines of any street in any incorporated town in Maryland under the Department of Natural Resources - Forest Service. This permit in no way cancels or contravenes the right of property owners to restrict or prevent the trimming or cutting of trees upon their own properties, except that trees covered by this permit may not be treated in any way other than as herein specified.*

Authorized by: Rodney Riffle Title: Forest Warden Date: 9/10/1999

Address: 17400 Annapolis Rook Road, Woodbine, MD 21787-



**Maryland Department of Transportation  
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The Honorable Shane E. Pendergrass  
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Dear Delegate Pendergrass:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Shane".

Thank you for your recent letter regarding how the State Highway Administration provides feedback to inquiries from members of the General Assembly. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with this information and am glad that you were able to attend the meeting on MD 216.

The State Highway Administration (SHA) customarily responds to inquiries according to how they are received. For instance, when a member of the General Assembly makes an inquiry, we will respond to that member. On the other hand, when a citizen inquires directly, SHA will respond to the citizen and will copy the members from the citizen's district. It is our intent to keep all members of the General Assembly informed of changes to projects within their respective districts. We apologize for any misunderstanding, which the conversation between our staff member and your legislative aide may have caused.

You requested that SHA provide you with a copy of the letter regarding the reevaluation of MD 216, which SHA sent to Senator Madden and Delegate Turner. Per your request, a copy of that letter has been forwarded to you.

Thank you again for your letter. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to our Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962, or [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

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SHANE PENDERGRASS  
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# The Maryland House of Delegates

ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401-1991

July 3, 2001

Mr. Parker F. Williams, Administrator  
State Highway Administration  
707 N. Calvert Street  
Room C-400  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Dear Mr. Williams: *Parker*

Thank you and your staff for coming out to Howard County on June 26th to meet with the residents of the 216 corridor. Clearly my constituents have a number of concerns, and so do I. As befits protocol, all of the elected officials of the county and state who represent the residents of the 216 corridor were invited to the meeting and notified of the proposed changes. I greatly appreciated this; I am glad to have been able to attend and hear firsthand the concerns of the residents.

My Legislative Aide contacted the State Highway Administration on June 27th to discuss some issues that were raised in that meeting. She was told that due to the residents' concerns and the arguments they presented, many aspects of the 216 proposal were going to be reevaluated, and a letter was going out to Senator Madden explaining the status of the project. My aide was told that she had to request from Natalie Hardy, the Special Assistant to the Director, that I be copied on this letter. Natalie granted the request.

Delegate Frank Turner, who also represents District 13A, also should be copied on this letter. In fact, it was my understanding that your policy was to keep all elected representatives within a district informed of ongoing changes to district projects, just as we were all invited to the meeting. Have you changed your policy?

I look forward to being updated on the status of this project in the future.

Sincerely,

Shane Pendergrass  
Delegate

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cc: Governor Parris Glendening  
John Pocari, Secretary of Transportation  
Delegate Frank S. Turner  
James Robey, County Executive

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Sent 7/23

MARYLAND STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION  
THE ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE (PHONE 410-545-0400 FAX 410-209-5009)  
REQUEST FOR PREPARATION OF CORRESPONDENCE  
PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM AND PREPARED CORRESPONDENCE TO ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE  
(Attn: Donna Austin)

CONTROL # 01Jul22  
LOG DATE: 07/06/2001

SENDER: PENDERGRASS, SHANE

SUBJECT: JUNE 26 MEETING WITH RESIDENTS OF THE 216 CORRIDOR

- PREPARE RESPONSE FOR ADMINISTRATOR'S SIGNATURE
- PREPARE RESPONSE FOR SECRETARY'S SIGNATURE
- PREPARE RESPONSE FOR GOVERNOR'S SIGNATURE
- REPLY DIRECTLY, CC: ADMINISTRATOR
- PREPARE RESPONSE FOR ADMINISTRATOR FOR GOVERNOR'S SIGNATURE
- PREPARE RESPONSE FOR SECRETARY FOR GOVERNOR'S SIGNATURE

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ASSIGNED TO: ADAMS

TO BE RETURNED TO ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE BY: 07/10/2001

RESPONSE PREPARED BY: Natalie Hardy X8616  
(Name / Telephone / Date)

TYPED BY: 7

PROOFREAD BY: Drene Helms

SENIOR MANAGER'S APPROVAL: [Signature] for Charles B. Adams

WAS THERE PERSONAL CONTACT WITH THE SENDER? [ ] YES [ ] NO

REMARKS: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration**

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Parris N. Glendening  
Governor

John D. Porcari  
Secretary

Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

May 16, 2001

The Honorable Shane E. Pendergrass  
The Honorable Frank S. Turner  
Maryland House of Delegates  
209 Lowe House Office Building  
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard  
Annapolis MD 21410-1991

Dear Delegates Pendergrass and Turner:

This is a follow-up to your recent letter on behalf of your constituent, Mr. Frank A. Spicher, Sr., President of the Savage Community Association, regarding an increase in noise levels from MD 32, east of the Vollmerhausen Road overpass in Howard County. I appreciate the opportunity to respond to your inquiry.

The State Highway Administration's (SHA) Office of Environmental Design will investigate the area in question along MD 32. We expect to be able to provide the results of this investigation to you within 30 days.

Thank you for your letter. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, SHA's Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962, or [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
Ms. Natalie B. Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
The Honorable Martin G. Madden, Member, Senate of Maryland  
Mr. Ken Oldham, Division Chief, Landscape Operations, State Highway Administration  
Mr. Frank A. Spicher, Sr., President, Savage Community Association

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bcc: Ms. Valerie Burnette Edgar, Director of Communications, State Highway Administration  
Mr. Robert L. Fisher, District Engineer, State Highway Administration  
James D. Hade, RLA, Noise Abatement Team Leader, State Highway Administration  
Transportation  
Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration

**Serial #:** 01May16

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**Responding to letter dated:** Interim follow-up to 05/08/2001 letter from Dels. Pendergrass and Turner to Mr. Parker F. Williams, SHA Administrator

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MARYLAND STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION  
THE ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE (PHONE 410-545-0400 FAX 410-209-5009)

REQUEST FOR PREPARATION OF CORRESPONDENCE

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM AND PREPARED CORRESPONDENCE TO ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE

(Attn: Donna Austin)

CONTROL # 01May16

LOG DATE: 05/09/2001

SENDER: PENDERGRASS, SHANE (ORIG)

SUBJECT: SOUND BARRIER FOR SAVAGE COMMUNITY

- PREPARE RESPONSE FOR ADMINISTRATOR'S SIGNATURE
- PREPARE RESPONSE FOR SECRETARY'S SIGNATURE
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ASSIGNED TO: ADAMS

TO BE RETURNED TO ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE BY: 05/15/2001

RESPONSE PREPARED BY: T. E. SEVERE X8600  
(Name / Telephone / Date)

TYPED BY: T. E. SEVERE

PROOFREAD BY: J. HADE, N. HARDY, I. HEYING, C. ADAMS

SENIOR MANAGER'S APPROVAL: Cba

WAS THERE PERSONAL CONTACT WITH THE SENDER? [ ] YES [ ] NO

REMARKS: \_\_\_\_\_  
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SHANE PENDERGRASS  
Legislative District 13A  
Howard County

FRANK S. TURNER  
Legislative District 13A  
Howard County



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and Land Preservation

Oversight Committee  
on Personnel

*The Maryland House of Delegates*  
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401-1991

May 8, 2001

Mr. Parker F. Williams, Administrator  
State Highway Administration  
707 N. Calvert Street  
Room C-400  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Dear Mr. Williams:

Enclosed you will find a copy of correspondence which we have received from Mr. Frank A. Spicher, Sr., President of the Savage Community Association( 8832 Baltimore Street, Savage, Maryland, 20763; telephone: 301/490-5251) regarding a recent increase in noise coming from Route 32 after the removal of trees along Route 32.

You may recall there is a history to this matter. The issue was brought to our attention a year ago by residents living in that particular area. We asked the SHA, at that time, to look into and provide answers to the environmental concerns that were raised, noise or run off, resulting from the clearing of brush and trees from along Route 32 versus someone's desire to clear the land.

We would appreciate your checking into the matter for us again and provide us with information regarding the criteria for issuing a clearing permit, whether a clearing permit was issued, and did the State Highway Administration clear the land? We are grateful for your help and look forward to your earliest possible response.

Sincerely,

Shane Pendergrass  
Delegate

Frank S. Turner  
Delegate

cc: Mr. Frank A. Spicher, Sr.  
Ms. Linda Doran

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**Delegate Shane Pendergrass**

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**From:** Frank Spicher [fspicher@mddsg.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, May 04, 2001 12:21 AM  
**To:** Shane Pendergrass  
**Cc:** Linda Doran  
**Subject:** Increased noise from Rt. 32

Dear Shane,

It has been brought to the attention of the Savage Community Association that there has been a recent increase in noise coming from Rt.32. Residents living in the Madison Street area noticed the increased noise level immediately after the removal of trees along Rt.32, on the east side of the Volmerhausen Rd. overpass. Could you please let us know what precipitated the removal of those trees along Rt.32 and, I might add, only those trees. We don't see where any other trees were removed along that stretch of highway.

Thanks in advance for your help in answering these questions,  
Frank A. Spicher, Sr.  
President, Savage Community Association

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| STREET#   | STREET NAME               | COUNTY   | CITY (Post office)                        | ZIPCODE             | Representative statu |                                     |
| 8832  | Baltimore Street          | HO   | Savage                                    | 20763-9701          | community repre      | Find Next                           |
| Elected Official whom has communicated directly to us on this custome   |                           |  | Dels. Shane Pendergrass & Frank S. Turner |                     |                      |                                     |
| DAY PHONE   | HOME PHONE                | E-Mail address                                       | COMMUNITY                                 |                     |                      |                                     |
|   | 301-490-5251              | fspicher@mddsg.co                                    | Savage                                    |                     |                      |                                     |
| Logical Project Limits  | ROADWAY                   | INQUIRY  | BarrierName                               |                     |                      |                                     |
| EB32 in vicinity of Volmerhausen Rd overpass  |                           |  | trees cut down along MD 32, now noisier   |                     |                      |                                     |
| RESPONSE  | Last Contact              |  | Researcher                                | Primary SHA Contact | 2nd Contact          |                                     |
| LOD to investigate; results to be reported in several weeks   | 05/10/2001                |  |   | Natalie             |                      |                                     |
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| 05/2001 EO's Dist. 13A Sen. Martin G. Madden; Dels. Shane Pendergrass; Frank S. Turner; HO Cndimn Guy Guzzone; Mr. Guzzone's Spec. Asst. Ms. Deanna Peel                  |                           |  |   |                     |                      | Construction Projects               |
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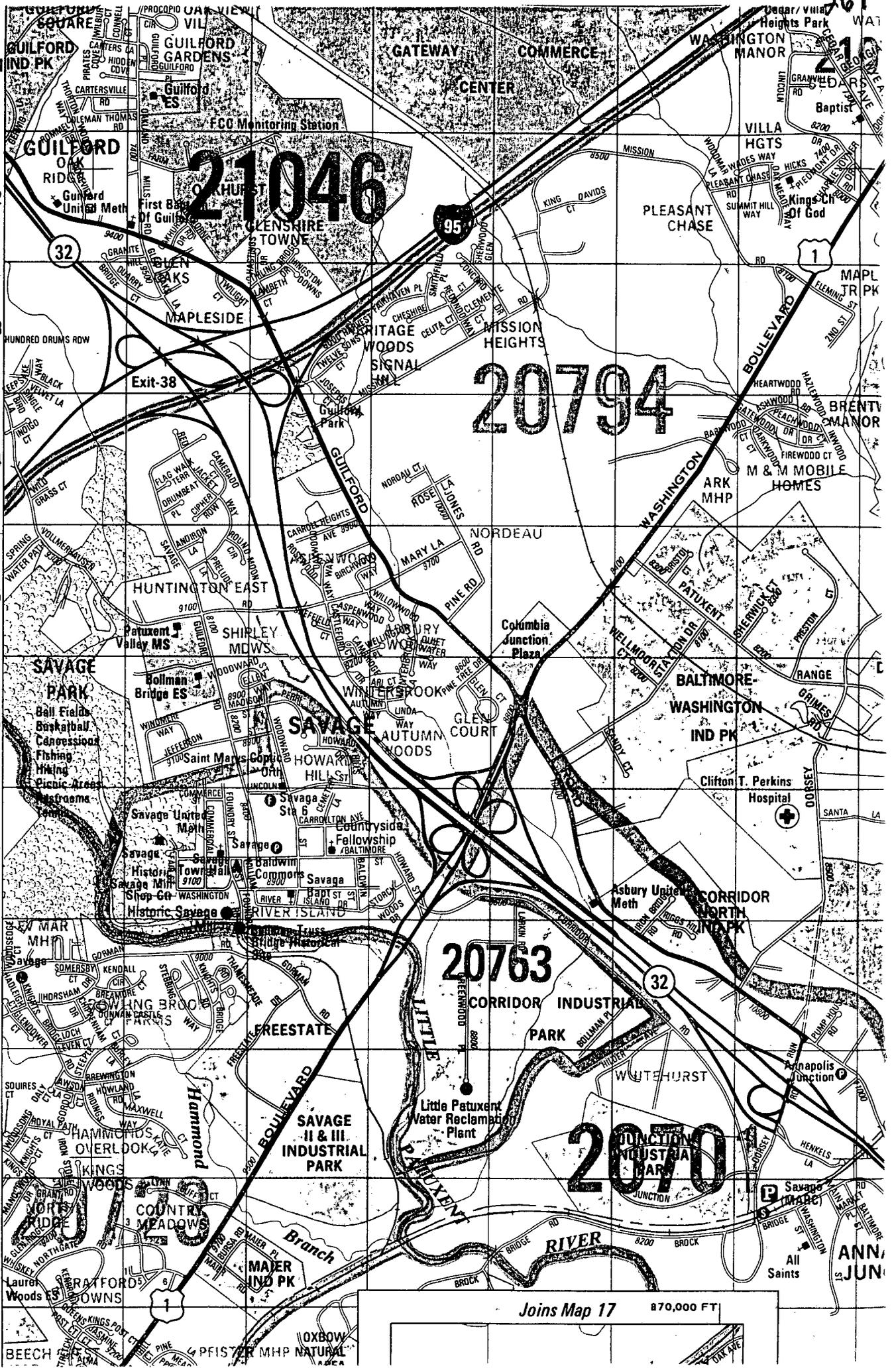


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HOWARD COUNTY

DISTRICT: 06 ACCT NO: 476570

Owner Information

**Owner Name:** SPICHER FRANK A SR  
SPICHER SHARON M **Use:** RESIDENTIAL

**Mailing Address:** 8832 BALTIMORE STREET  
SAVAGE MD 20763-9701 **Principal Residence:** YES

**Transferred** 301-490-5251

**From:** VOLLMERHAUSEN SEIBERT **Date:** 12/16/1986 **Price:** \$105,000

**Deed Reference:** 1) / 1582/ 255 **Special Tax Recapture:**  
2) \* NONE \*

Tax Exempt: NO

Location Information [View Map]

**Premises Address:** 8832 N BALTIMORE ST  
SAVAGE 20763

**Zoning:** R12 **Legal Description:** LOT 3 .3278 A  
8832 BALTIMORE STREET  
SUTER HILL LOT 10 SAVAGE

| Map | Grid | Parcel | Subdiv | Sect | Block | Lot | Group | Plat No:  | 5338 |
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| 47  | 12   | 237    |        |      |       | 3   | 81    | Plat Ref: |      |

**Special Tax Areas** **Town:**

**Ad Valorem:** A/V, METRO FIRE TAX

**Tax Class:**

Primary Structure Data

| Year Built: | Enclosed Area: | Property Land Area: | County Use: |
|-------------|----------------|---------------------|-------------|
| 1985        | 918 SF         | 14,244.00 SF        |             |

Value Information

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|            |            | 01/01/1999    | 07/01/2001 | 07/01/2000     | 07/01/2001 |                      |       |
| Land:      | 53,560     | 55,600        |            |                |            |                      |       |
| Impts:     | 82,950     | 74,280        |            |                |            |                      |       |
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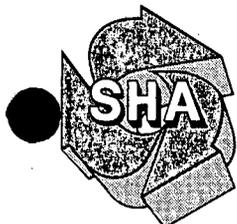
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**Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration**

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Parris N. Glendening  
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Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

October 23, 2001

The Honorable Joan Pitkin  
Maryland House of Delegates  
208 Lowe House Office Building  
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Pitkin:

This letter is a follow-up to the October 10 informational meeting, hosted by the State Highway Administration (SHA) at Thomas Johnson Middle School, regarding the proposed sound barriers for the Westgate Woods and Holmehurst West communities along MD 450 in Prince George's County. I wish to provide the following information from the meeting.

The State Highway Administration is following up with those homeowners who were unable to attend the meeting by providing them with the materials distributed at the meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the sound barrier plans for the residences that will be impacted by high levels of traffic noise anticipated to occur as a result of the future improvements to MD 450 adjacent to the two communities. We also wanted to determine that at least 75 percent of those impacted property owners approve of the sound barrier placement. Approximately 17 homeowners attended the meeting.

Enclosed are copies of the distributed materials, including: the meeting's agenda; an information sheet listing typical noises in the environment; plan sheets of both communities with the sound barriers' locations, current noise levels, and proposed noise level reduction; cross-section views of the communities; a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*; and a copy of the list of all homeowners who were invited to the meeting. Also, for those homeowners who will be impacted by highway traffic noise, we included a postage-paid ballot on which they should indicate their approval or disapproval of the proposed sound barrier project. We requested that the ballot be returned by November 16, 2001.

For Westgate Woods, two issues were brought up: an investigation of the need for a noise-absorptive surface on the sound barrier; and whether adjacent residents' backyard fences could be extended to the proposed sound barrier, so as to enhance security. For Holmehurst West, it was asked if the schedule for the sound barrier could be advanced, because the highway improvements have been completed. These issues will be analyzed and the results forwarded when available.

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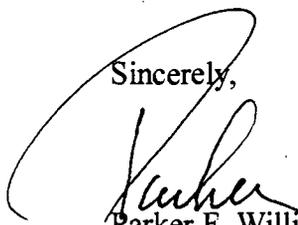
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Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any questions or additional concerns, please do not hesitate to contact, until November 1, Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). After November 1, please contact Mr. James Hade, our Noise Abatement Team Leader, at 410-545-8599, 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at [jhade@sha.state.md.us](mailto:jhade@sha.state.md.us). They will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

Enclosures

- cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
Mr. Marty Cohn, Project Engineer, Office of Highway Design, State Highway Administration  
James D. Hade, RLA, Noise Abatement Team Leader, State Highway Administration  
Ms. Natalie B. Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director, Office of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
Mr. Charlie K. Watkins, District Engineer, State Highway Administration

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bcc: Ms. Valerie Burnette Edgar, Director of Communications, State Highway Administration  
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Ms. Nanette M. Schieke, State Legislative Officer, Maryland Department of Transportation  
Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration

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**Responding to letter dated:** Follow-up to 10-10-2001 SHA-hosted informational meeting for the Westgate Woods and Holmehurst West communities

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Enclosures:

One copy each of the following:

The meeting's *Agenda*

*Sound* information sheet

MDOT/SHA brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*

*Plan Sheet* and *Cross-Section Sheet* (11 x 17) for Westgate Woods community

*Plan Sheet* and *Cross-Section Sheet* (11 x 17) for Holmehurst West community

*Property Owner Invitation List*



**Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration**

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September 6, 2001

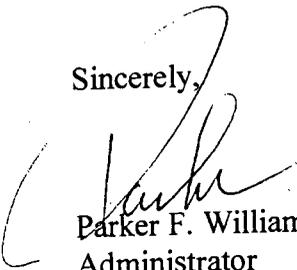
The Honorable Joan Pitkin  
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Dear Delegate Pitkin:

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for the Westgate Woods and Holmehurst West communities regarding the proposed sound barriers along eastbound MD 450 adjacent to their communities, in Prince George's County. The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 10, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Thomas Johnson Middle School, 5401 Barker Place, Lanham, Maryland. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the placement of the proposed sound barriers and to obtain concurrence from at least 75 percent of the impacted property owners. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962, or [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

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**Maryland Department of Transportation  
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August 15, 2001

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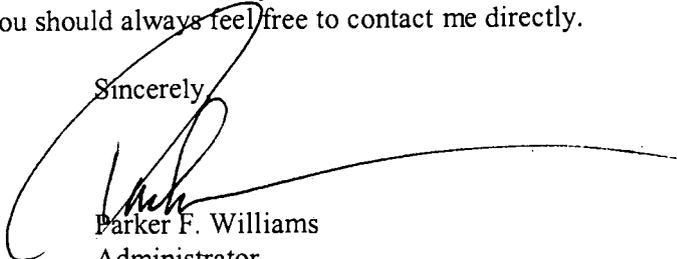
Dear Delegate Pitkin: 

This letter is a follow-up to the July 23 informational meeting, hosted by the State Highway Administration (SHA) at Benjamin Tasker Middle School, regarding the proposed sound barrier for the Princeton Square/Old Stage Road community along US 50 in Prince George's County. I wish to provide the following information from the meeting.

The SHA is following up with those homeowners who were unable to attend the meeting by providing them with the materials distributed at the meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the sound barrier plans for residences that will be impacted by high levels of traffic noise anticipated to occur because of the future improvements to US 50 near the Princeton Square/Old Stage Road community. We would also like to determine that at least 75 percent of those impacted property owners approve of the sound barrier placement. There was one homeowner present. Enclosed, for your information, are copies of the distributed materials, including: the meeting's agenda; an information sheet listing typical noises in the environment; a plan sheet showing the sound barrier location, current noise levels, and proposed noise level reduction; cross-section views of the community; and a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*. Also, for those homeowners that are impacted by highway noise, we included a postage paid ballot for them to indicate their approval or disapproval of the proposed sound barrier project.

Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

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Enclosures:

One copy of the meeting's *Agenda*

One copy of *Sound* informational sheet

One copy of *Plan Sheet*

One copy of *Cross-Section* sheet

One copy of MDOT/SHA brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*



**Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration**

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Administrator

May 25, 2001

The Honorable Joan Pitkin  
Maryland House of Delegates  
208 Lowe House Office Building  
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Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Pitkin:

This letter is a follow-up to the May 9 informational meeting at Bowie City Hall, regarding proposed sound barriers adjacent to the intersection of relocated MD 450 and MD 197 (Laurel-Bowie/Collington Road) in Prince George's County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the following information.

One purpose of the meeting was to discuss sound barrier plans for the residences that would be impacted by highway traffic noise resulting from the relocation of MD 450 along Galaxy Lane, Memphis Lane, Moreland Place, and Twin Cedar Lane. Another purpose was to determine that at least 75 percent of impacted property owners approve of the placement of the sound barriers. Approximately 26 homeowners attended, and we provided those who were unable to attend with copies of the materials that were distributed at the meeting. Both groups of homeowners also received ballots, which are due back to us by June 18. The results will be forwarded to you soon thereafter.

Enclosed are copies of materials that were distributed at the meeting: the agenda; an information sheet listing typical noises in the environment; plan sheets showing the sound barriers' locations, current noise levels, and predicted future noise levels after the sound barrier is constructed; cross-section views of the community; and a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*, that outlines the State's Sound Barrier Policy. The project to relocate MD 450 is funded for construction, and construction is currently scheduled to begin in late 2001.

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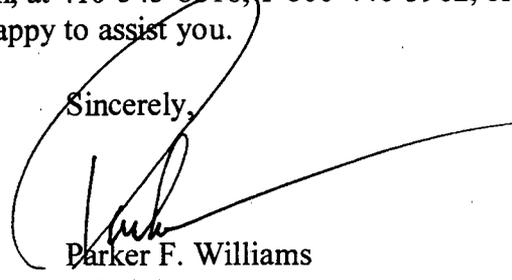
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Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

Enclosures

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Enclosures:

One copy each (11"x17") **Plan Sheets** of new intersection of relocated MD 450 and MD 197 (2 pages)

One copy each (11"x17") **cross-section Sheets** for new intersection of relocated MD 450 and MD 197 (2 pages)

One copy of meeting's **Agenda**

One copy of **Sound Information Sheet**

One copy of MDOT/SHA brochure, **Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers**



**Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration**

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May 7, 2001

The Honorable Joan Pitkin  
Maryland House of Delegates  
208 Lowe House Office Building  
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Dear Delegate Pitkin:

This letter is a follow-up to the April 25 informational meeting, hosted by the State Highway Administration (SHA) at Bowie City Hall, regarding the proposed sound barrier for the Highbridge community along MD 450 in Prince George's County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the following information from the meeting.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the sound barrier plans for the residences currently receiving high levels of traffic noise and to determine that at least 75 percent of those impacted property owners approve of the sound barrier placement. There were approximately 15 homeowners present. We received the 75 percent concurrence necessary to move forward with the design of the sound barrier system. In addition, there are two issues that SHA has to address with the Highbridge Board of Directors and Management Company: a right-of-entry agreement and placement of the sound barrier wall. Once details are completed, we will forward additional information to you.

At this time, we wish to follow up with those homeowners who were unable to attend the meeting by providing them with copies of the materials distributed at the meeting. Enclosed, for your information, are copies of these materials: the meeting agenda; an information sheet listing typical noises in the environment; plan sheets with cross-sections and elevations showing the sound barrier location, current noise levels and proposed noise-level reduction; and a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*. Currently, this project is funded for construction in conjunction with the improvements to MD 450, which will begin sometime this Summer.

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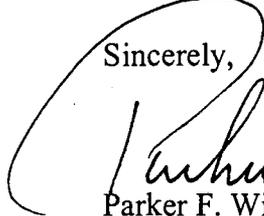
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Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

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Room 5 of Bowie City Hall

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Enclosure:

One copy each of the following:

Meeting's *Agenda*

*Sound* information sheet

*Plan View (Westbound MD 450 near Greenville Lane) and Cross-Sections* of the Highbridge  
community

*Plan and Elevation* of Highbridge sound barrier

MDOT/SHA brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*



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May 7, 2001

The Honorable Joan Pitkin  
Maryland House of Delegates  
208 Lowe House Office Building  
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Dear Delegate Pitkin:

This letter is a follow-up to the April 24 informational meeting, hosted by the State Highway Administration (SHA) at the Benjamin Tasker Middle School, regarding the proposed sound barrier for the Princeton Square community along westbound US 50, from MD 197 to the CSX railroad line, in Prince George's County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the following information from the meeting.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the sound barrier plans for the residences that will receive high levels of traffic noise as a result of the planned improvements to US 50 and to determine that at least 75 percent of the property owners impacted approve of the sound barrier placement. There were 6 homeowners present. We have followed-up with those homeowners who were unable to attend the meeting by providing them with copies of the materials distributed at the meeting. Vote cards were distributed to impacted homeowners that attended the meeting and the remaining vote cards are being sent to those homeowners who were unable to attend. Enclosed, for your information, are copies of the distributed materials: the meeting agenda; an information sheet listing typical noises in the environment; a plan sheet showing the sound barrier location, current noise levels and proposed noise level reduction; a cross-section of views of the community; and a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*. This project is currently funded and scheduled to begin construction in the Fall of 2001.

A question was raised concerning protection by the sound barrier for several homes located on the western side of the CSX railroad tracks. The SHA is looking into this situation and will forward additional information to you within the next two weeks.

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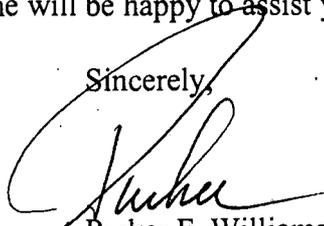
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Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

Enclosures

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Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration  
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Enclosures:

One copy each of the following:

Meeting's *Agenda*

*Sound* information sheet

*Site Plan* for the Princeton Square community showing the alignment of the proposed barrier and the impacted and benefited homes

*Cross-Sections* of the Princeton Square community

MDOT/SHA brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*

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**Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration**

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April 23, 2001

The Honorable Joan Pitkin  
Maryland House of Delegates  
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Dear Delegate Pitkin:

Thank you for your recent letter regarding the sound barrier for the Ardmore community, located in the southeast quadrant of the I-95/I-495/US 50 interchange in Prince George's County. I appreciate the opportunity to respond to your concerns.

Your interest in this project is appreciated. We have maintained close coordination with the church leadership, the community, the Secretary of Transportation's staff, and the Governor's staff to resolve this issue. The information that we received at our most recent informational meeting with the community on March 12, is that the homeowners in question are not interested in selling their properties. The community also shared with us that they did not favor a location of the sound barrier that was different than what was first proposed by State Highway Administration (SHA). Based upon the information we have received from the Ardmore community, we respectfully cannot agree to postpone the decision of modifying the wall alignment. We feel the correct decision is to proceed with completion of the original sound barrier alignment.

You also requested us to "...consider some environmentally palliative measures to soften the visual and physical encroachment of the original sound barrier alignment upon the Church property." We are open to provide landscaping to soften the visual impact of the wall, provided the Church would like this done.

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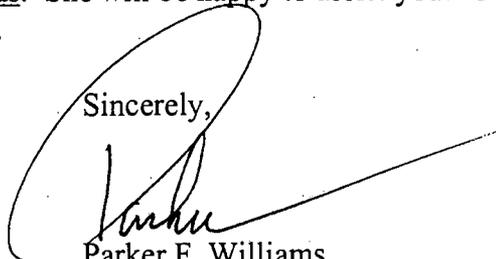
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Thank you again for your letter. I thank you for your interest in this very important issue. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to our Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962, or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

cc: Ms. Natalie B. Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration

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bcc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
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Ms. Valerie Burnette Edgar, Director of Communications, State Highway Administration  
The Honorable Leo E. Green, Member, Senate of Maryland  
James D. Hade, RLA, Noise Abatement Team Leader, State Highway Administration  
The Honorable James W. Hubbard, Member, Maryland House of Delegates  
Ms. Theo Owens, Special Assistant to the District Engineer, State Highway  
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Transportation  
Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration  
Mr. Charlie K. Watkins, District Engineer, State Highway Administration  
The Honorable Marvin F. Wilson, Member, Prince George's County Council

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JOAN B. PITKIN  
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April 11, 2001

Mr. Parker F. Williamson  
Administrator  
MDOT-State Highway Administration  
P.O. Box 717  
Baltimore, MD 21203-0717

RE: Proposed Sound Barrier for Ardmore Community

Dear Mr. Williamson:

We have been contacted by The Reverend Mark D. Venson, Pastor of the Ebenezer Methodist Church for further assistance regarding the construction of the proposed sound barrier.

It is our understanding that SHA has decided to proceed with the original proposed alignment of the sound barrier, and a deadline has been set regarding the Church's potential acquisition of the residences at 4831 and 4827 Jefferson Street in the form of a signed purchase contract with the property owners.

Although a recent letter from Major F. Riddick, Jr., Chief of Staff in the Office of the Governor, cited the April 15th purchase contract deadline as predicated upon a summer construction start, previous correspondence from your own office indicated an SHA advertising date of summer of 2001, and a letter from Charles B. Adams indicates that a Notice to Proceed would be issued to the successful contractor in the fall.

It is clear that while the Ebenezer Methodist Church is in full support of noise reduction for its adjacent community, the church itself would be seriously impacted by construction of the sound barrier as originally designed. I would like to help them have a reasonable and final opportunity to negotiate with the property owners, and to arrange financing for the purchase.

Alternatively - should the acquisition not take place - I would ask whether you might consider some environmentally palliative measures to soften the visual and physical encroachment of the original sound barrier alignment upon the Church property.

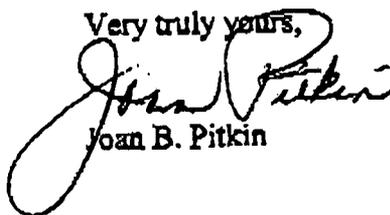
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Please consider granting a minimum extension of 90 days to Ebenezer Methodist Church in this matter to finalize purchase negotiations and finance arrangements for the subject properties.

Very truly yours,

  
Joan B. Pitkin

cc: Rev. Mark Venson  
Hon. Leo A. Green

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**Delegate Joan B. Pitkin**  
**Maryland General Assembly**  
**Twenty Third District, Prince George's County**

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Date: 4/11/01

To: Parker F. Williams Title/Org: Administrator, SHA

Fax Number: 410-209-5009 Phone Number: 410-545-0400

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MARYLAND STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION  
THE ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE (PHONE 410-545-0400 FAX 410-209-5009)

REQUEST FOR PREPARATION OF CORRESPONDENCE

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM AND PREPARED CORRESPONDENCE TO ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE

(Attn: Donna Austin)

CONTROL # 01Apr32

LOG DATE: 04/12/2001

SENDER: PITKIN, JOAN B.

SUBJECT: PROPOSED SOUND BARRIER FOR ARDMORE COMMUNITY

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**Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration**

April 10, 2001

Parris N. Glendening <sup>293</sup>  
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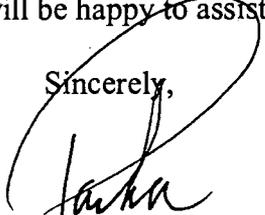
This letter is to advise you of two community informational meetings that the State Highway Administration will conduct regarding proposed sound barriers in Prince George's County. Both meetings pertain to improvements to MD 450, between MD 193 and Stonybrook Drive.

The first meeting is for the Highbridge community near Grenville Lane. It will be held on Wednesday, April 25, 2001, from 7 to 9 p.m., as originally planned. The original location of the meeting has changed, however. It will occur in Room 5 of the Bowie City Hall, 2614 Kenhill Drive, Bowie, Maryland. Displays will be available from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

The second meeting is for the three communities adjacent to the intersection of relocated MD 450 and MD 197 (Laurel-Bowie Road/Collington Road), Galaxy Lane, Memphis Lane/Moreland Place and Twin Cedar Lane. It is scheduled for Wednesday, May 9, 2001, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Bowie City Hall, 2614 Kenhill Drive, Bowie, Maryland. Again, displays will be available from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

  
Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
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April 2, 2001

The Honorable Joan Pitkin  
Maryland House of Delegates  
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Dear Delegate Pitkin:

This letter is a follow-up to the March 12 informational meeting, hosted by the State Highway Administration (SHA), regarding the alignment of the sound barrier project for the Ardmore community in Prince George's County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the following information.

The goal of Maryland's Sound Barrier Program is to provide mitigation for residents who are impacted by high levels of highway traffic noise. Throughout the development of this project, SHA was asked to explore sound barrier options that would not diminish the current visibility of the Ebenezer United Methodist Church from area roadways. In order to address both of these concerns, two alignment options were considered: the original proposed alignment that would build the barrier entirely within SHA right of way, and an option to turn the barrier back along and parallel to Ebenezer Lane. After careful review of both the options and the input from the residents of the area and church representatives, SHA has decided to proceed to construct the original alignment.

As mentioned at the meeting, the barrier project for the Ardmore community will be advertised with another sound barrier project on US 50. The selected contractor will designate the order in which the two projects will be built. We anticipate giving the contract a Notice to Proceed this coming Fall.

Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to our Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616 or 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

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Administrator

March 16, 2001

The Honorable Joan Pitkin  
Maryland House of Delegates  
208 Lowe House Office Building  
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Pitkin:

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for the Princeton Square community regarding the proposed sound barrier along westbound US 50 from MD 197 to just beyond the CSX railroad line in Prince George's County. The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 24, 2001, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Benjamin Tasker Middle School, 4901 Collington Road, Bowie, Maryland. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to our Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. Williams', written over a large, loopy flourish that extends across the page.

Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
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February 28, 2001

The Honorable Joan Pitkin  
Maryland House of Delegates  
208 Lowe House Office Building  
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Pitkin: *Joan*

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for the Ardmore Community regarding the proposed sound barrier project. This meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 12, 2001, from 7 to 9 P.M., at the Ardmore Elementary School, 9301 Ardwick-Ardmore Road, Springdale, Maryland. The purpose of this meeting is to present several options for the placement of the sound barrier.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. In case of inclement weather or, if you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

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December 5, 2001

The Honorable James F. Ports, Jr.  
Maryland House of Delegates  
21 Robyn Lynne Court  
Perry Hall MD 21128-9417

The Honorable Alfred W. Redmer, Jr.  
Maryland House of Delegates  
8001 Harford Road  
Baltimore MD 21236-5701

Dear Delegates Ports and Redmer:

This letter is a follow-up to your November 14 letter to Mr. Charles Adams, our Director of Environmental Design, regarding a noise level study near the residence of Ms. Gloria Kelly, 7843 Saint Thomas Drive, Nottingham, Maryland, adjacent to the off-ramp from west bound I-695 to northbound US 1 in Baltimore County. I appreciate the opportunity to respond to your request.

The State Highway Administration (SHA) considers the need for sound barriers in two circumstances, designated "Type I" and "Type II." In "Type I" situations, barriers are considered when a new highway is being built or an existing highway is moved or having its through-capacity expanded. In the context of the State's Sound Barrier Policy, "adding through-capacity" means the addition of a lane of one mile or greater in length. Sound barriers are considered as a part of the environmental analysis process. Consequently, once the environmental documentation process has been completed and accepted, we do not consider communities again retroactively. In the previous environmental analysis for I-695, it was found that this community was not eligible for noise abatement because through-capacity to I-695 was not being increased. While it is true that a portion the ramp from west bound I-695 to northbound US 1 was relocated, it was not widened and it was not relocated adjacent to the residences on Saint Thomas Drive. These improvements changed the merge on the ramp to northbound US 1 from a yield/stop-and-go situation to a through-lane. The effect on noise levels was very minor and insufficient to meet our noise criterion, therefore, sound barriers were not warranted.

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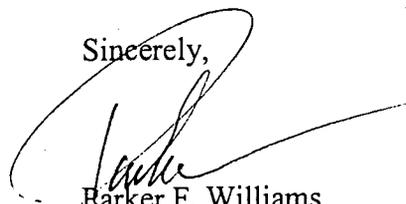
The Honorable James F. Ports, Jr.  
The Honorable Alfred W. Redmer, Jr.

The State Highway Administration prepared a planning study in the late 1980s to consider expansion of the Beltway (I-695) from MD 140 (Reisterstown Road) to MD 702. Although this study proposes a future expansion of the highway, no funds have been allocated for construction. Prior to construction, the community along Saint Thomas Drive would be re-analyzed to determine if, as a result of the proposed expansion, it would experience an increase in noise levels that would be sufficient to warrant a sound barrier. If projections indicate that such an increase would occur, then a sound barrier would be considered as a part of the highway expansion project. We do not, however, wish to raise expectations that may not be able to be met. A preliminary sound barrier design, which would benefit five residences in Ms. Kelly's community, was analyzed and was found to cost approximately \$71,500 per residence. This cost exceeds our \$50,000 maximum per benefited residence criteria.

When a highway already exists and is *not* being expanded—so that Type I criteria do not apply—a community that predates the original highway may be considered for a “Type II,” or “retrofit,” barrier. The intent of the Type II program is to address areas of noise impact along highways that were built before environmental analyses became a part of the highway development process. Ms. Kelly's community has been evaluated for a sound barrier under the Type II program and it was found that the majority of the impacted homes in her community did not predate the construction of I-695. Based on this information, the community cannot be considered for a Type II sound barrier.

Thank you for your letter on behalf of your constituent, Ms. Kelly, and your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. James Hade, our Noise Abatement Team Leader, at 410-545-8599, 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at [jhade@sha.state.md.us](mailto:jhade@sha.state.md.us). He will be happy to assist you. Of course, please feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
The Honorable Joseph Bartenfelder, Member, Baltimore County Council  
The Honorable Thomas L. Bromwell, Member, Senate of Maryland  
James D. Hade, RLA, Noise Abatement Team Leader, State Highway Administration  
Ms. Gloria Kelly  
The Honorable Katherine Klausmeier, Member, Maryland House of Delegates  
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**Noise Customer #:** 1019

**Responding to letter dated:** Follow-up to letter from Dels. Ports and Redmer (dated 11-14-2001) to Mr. Charles Adams requesting noise level measurements be taken near Ms. Kelly's homes as a follow-up to 1995 modifications to US 1 and its ramps at I-695

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Senior Manager

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LETTER  FOLLOW UP   
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DATE RECEIVED: \_\_\_\_\_

RECEIVED FROM: Debs Perks & Redman

SUBJECT: Followup to 11/101 letter

requesting minor level messaget text for GLORIA KERRY

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PLEASE FURNISH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FOR THE ADMINISTRATOR'S STAFF:

IS THERE A DEADLINE FOR THIS DOCUMENT? YES  NO

IF YES, GIVE DEADLINE DATE: 12/4/2001

REASON FOR DEADLINE: to respond in 7 days

HAS PARKER, LIZ OR MDOT STAFF APPROVED THIS LANGUAGE ?  
YES  NO  IF YES, WHO? \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: \_\_\_\_\_  
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YOUR CONTACT PERSON & PHONE: J. HADE X 8595

MUST BE COMPLETED BY ORIGINATING OFFICE

Prepared by: T.G. SEVERE Revised by: \_\_\_\_\_

Typed by: T.G. SEVERE Proofed by: J. HADE/C.B. ADAMS

Follow-up due: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_  
date phone

Senior Manager's Approval: cha

ALFRED W. REDMER, JR.  
8th Legislative District  
Baltimore County and City

JAMES F. PORTS, JR.  
8th Legislative District  
Baltimore County and City

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November 14, 2001

Jim: Please draft  
a reply for Parker's  
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Charles Adams, Director  
Environmental Design  
State Highway Administration  
P.O. Box 717  
Baltimore, MD 21203-0717

Dear Mr. Adams:

Recently, we met with Gloria Kelly who resides at 7843 St. Thomas Drive in the Fullerton area just off of Belair Road. According to our understanding of the State Sound Barrier Policy, roads where the majority of homes were built after the original highway can still be considered for sound barriers if an expansion to the adjacent highway is constructed.

As you know, the State Highway Administration completed the widening of Belair Road from I-695 to Route 43 to three lanes in the fall of 1995. Along with this addition the bridge over I-695 was reconstructed along with some of the Beltway Ramps. Based on this information we would appreciate if you could conduct a noise study in this area to determine what the noise level is now that the renovations have been completed.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact us.

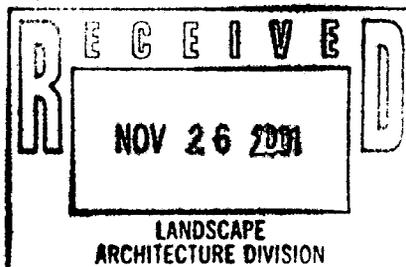
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Jim Ports, Jr.  
Delegate

Al Redmer, Jr.  
Delegate

JFP/AWR:cen

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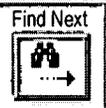
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| Elected Official whom has communicated directly to us on this custome |                    |                |                     |            |                      | Del. Redmer, Sen. Bromwell, Del. Ports |
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| LAST action  | 11-26-01 Letter from Del. Ports & Redmer (dated 11-14-01) requesting noise measurements at Ms. Kelly's because of 1995 widening/improvements to I-695 at US 1 - response to delegates |  |
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5/21/2001 transferred from PFW, Jim spoke. 5/2/2001: NBH spoke by phone see hyperlink. 4/23/2001: no notations on contact made here. 01/29/2001 - Ms. Kelly wrote to Sen. Bromwell 01/29/2001 Brian Smith (FHWA) has a meeting w. Ms. Kelly on 7/30/99, He called for briefing. Jim sent pertinent faxes to him for review. By KDP - gave phone #'s for Admin. PFW, Sec.Winstead, and Gov. as per her request. Gloria called CBA and NBH returned the call.

EO's - DIST. 8 - Sen. Thomas L. Bromwell, Dels. Katherine Klausmeier, James F. Ports, Jr., Alfred W. Redmer, Jr.; BA Cnc Joseph Bartenfelder

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February 5, 2001

The Honorable James F. Ports, Jr.  
House of Delegates  
307 Lowe House Office Building  
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard  
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Dear Delegate Ports:

Thank you for sending your aide, Ms. Nicole Blackwell, to the January 22 informational meeting, hosted by the State Highway Administration (SHA) at the Fullerton Elementary School, regarding a sound barrier for the Northview community, located in the northwest quadrant of the I-695/US 1 interchange in Baltimore County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the following information from the meeting.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the sound barrier plan for the residences currently receiving high levels of traffic noise and to determine that at least 75 percent of those impacted property owners approve the sound barrier placement. There were approximately six homeowners present. We have followed-up with those homeowners who were unable to attend the meeting by providing them with copies of the materials distributed at the meeting. Vote cards were distributed to those impacted homeowners that attended the meeting and the remaining vote card is being sent to the homeowner who was unable to attend. Enclosed, for your information, are copies of the distributed materials: the meeting's agenda, an information sheet listing typical noises in the environment; a plan sheet showing the sound barrier location, current noise levels and proposed noise level reduction; cross-section views of the community; and a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*.

The State Highway Administration received an inquiry from a homeowner in the Northview community to investigate whether or not the community was eligible for a sound barrier. While the investigation was underway, SHA received a petition from 16 other residents of the Northview community requesting that the barrier not be considered. As a result, SHA conducted this preliminary informational meeting with the Northview community to discuss the sound barrier evaluation. The ballots distributed to the impacted homeowners will give SHA an idea as to how we should proceed with this project. Once the ballots are received, the results will be forwarded. Currently, this project is not funded for design or construction.

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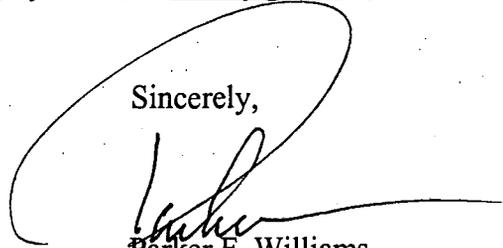
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*Sound* information sheet

Site plan of community showing alignment of barrier and impacted and benefited homes

Cross-sections of community (11" x 17")

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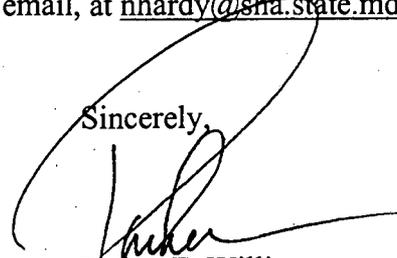
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Secretary

**Beverley K. Swalm-Staley**  
Deputy Secretary

February 1, 2001

The Honorable James N. Robey  
Howard County Executive  
3430 Courthouse Drive  
Ellicott City MD 21043-4350

Dear County Executive Robey:

Governor Parris N. Glendening recently wrote to you regarding sound barriers for the Lawyers Hill community, along northbound I-95 from Montgomery Road to the I-95/I-895 interchange, in Howard County. The Governor has asked me to provide you with the details on this barrier, and it is my pleasure to do so.

As stated in the Governor's letter, the Lawyers Hill community meets all of the technical requirements for a sound barrier under the State's Type II, or retrofit, Sound Barrier Program. Before we can consider State funding, however, Howard County will need to agree to fund 20 percent of the cost of this barrier. State funding will be dependent upon the availability of funds in the Department's Consolidated Transportation Program. The estimated construction cost for the Lawyers Hill sound barrier is \$5.05 million. Howard County's share of this cost would be \$1.01 million. This information is provided so that the County can begin to plan its share. We appreciate Howard County's past support of sound barriers and its recognition of the enhanced quality of life these barriers provide.

It is always a pleasure to work with Howard County, and we look forward to working with your representatives to make this sound barrier a reality. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Charles B. Adams, the State Highway Administration's Director of Environmental Design at 410-545-8640 or 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [cadams@sha.state.md.us](mailto:cadams@sha.state.md.us). He will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

John D. Porcari  
Secretary

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration  
The Honorable Edward J. Kasemeyer, Member, Senate of Maryland  
The Honorable James E. Malone, Jr., Member, Maryland House of Delegates

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**Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration**

Parris N. Glendening  
Governor  
John D. Porcari  
Secretary  
Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

August 15, 2001

The Honorable Jean W. Roesser  
Senate of Maryland  
308 James Senate Office Building  
110 College Avenue  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Senator Roesser:

Thank you for attending the August 7 informational meeting, hosted by the State Highway Administration (SHA) at the Stonebridge Pool House, regarding the proposed sound barrier for the Stonebridge community along MD 28 in Montgomery County. I wish to provide the following information from the meeting.

The SHA is following up with those homeowners who were unable to attend the meeting by providing them with the materials from the meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the sound barrier plans with residences that will be impacted by high levels of traffic noise because of the future improvements to MD 28, near the Stonebridge community. We would also like to determine that at least seventy-five percent of those impacted property owners approve of the sound barrier placement. Approximately seventeen homeowners were present. There were inquiries concerning safety near the proposed barrier, aesthetics, advancing the construction schedule, and landscaping plans. The SHA has agreed to evaluate those concerns and provide feedback to the community. Enclosed, for your information, are copies of the distributed materials, including: the meeting's agenda; an information sheet listing typical noises in the environment; a plan sheet showing the sound barrier location, current noise levels, and proposed noise level reduction; three cross-section views of the community; and, a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*. Also, we included a postage-paid ballot for the homeowner's to indicate their approval or disapproval of the proposed sound barrier project.

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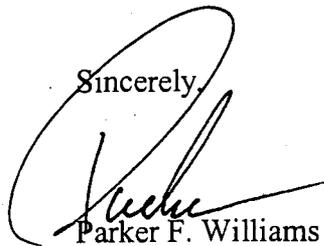
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Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

Enclosures

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Enclosures:

- One copy of the meeting's *Agenda*
- One copy of *Sound* informational sheet
- One copy of *Plan Sheet*
- One copy (each) of *Cross-Section* sheets (total of 3)
- One copy of MDOT/SHA brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*

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**Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration**

Parris N. Glendening  
Governor  
John D. Porcari  
Secretary  
Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

July 31, 2001

The Honorable Jean W. Roesser  
Senate of Maryland  
308 James Senate Office Building  
110 College Avenue  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Senator Roesser:

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for the Stonebridge community regarding the proposed sound barrier project along MD 28, near Muddy Branch Road in Montgomery County. This meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 7, 2001, from 7 to 9 p.m., at the Stonebridge Pool House, 14801 Stonebridge View Drive, North Potomac, Maryland. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the placement of the proposed sound barrier and to obtain concurrence from at least 75 percent of the impacted homeowners. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

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Parris N. Glendening  
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May 1, 2001

The Honorable Jean W. Roesser  
Senate of Maryland  
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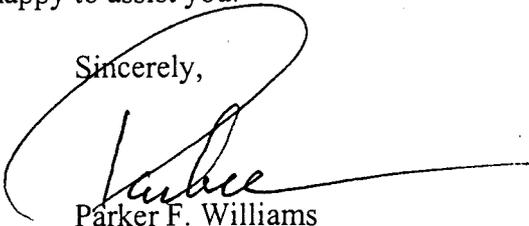
Dear Senator Roesser:

This letter is an update on the status of the sound barrier project for the Burning Tree Estates community, along the outer loop of I-495 from Bradley Boulevard to River Road in Montgomery County. I appreciate this opportunity to provide the following information.

The sound barrier project for the Burning Tree Estates community was scheduled to begin construction during the Summer of 2001 and be completed by the Spring of 2003. During final design of the sound barrier, an issue concerning the flood plain of Thomas Branch along a portion of the community arose which required additional design analysis. We have resolved this flood plain issue by making some adjustments to the sound barrier and wish to present our findings to the community. The State Highway Administration will host an informational meeting for the Burning Tree Estates community on Wednesday, May 23, from 6 to 8 p.m., at the Seven Locks Elementary School, 9500 Seven Locks Road, Bethesda, Maryland.

Thank you for your continued patience. If you have any questions or concerns about the project in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to our Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616 or 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
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Parris N. Glendening  
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February 16, 2001

The Honorable Jean W. Roesser  
Senate of Maryland  
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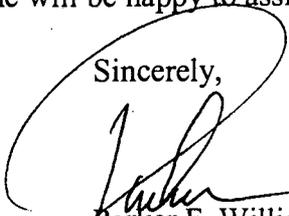
Dear Senator Roesser:

This letter is a follow-up to the February 6 informational meeting, hosted by the State Highway Administration (SHA) at Quince Orchard High School in Gaithersburg, regarding the sound barriers for the Owens Glen and Westleigh communities, located along MD 28 in Montgomery County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the following information.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the sound barrier finish and landscape plans for those residences in the Owens Glen and Westleigh communities that will benefit from the barrier project. There were approximately 21 homeowners present. The SHA indicated that the completed sound barrier would be constructed of concrete using a formliner to simulate natural, cut stone. Landscaping plans detailed the use of shade trees, shrubs, and ivy, where possible. The project is funded and scheduled to begin construction in the Summer of 2001.

Thank you for your interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, the SHA's Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

  
Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

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Parker F. Williams  
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January 16, 2001

The Honorable Jean W. Roesser  
Senate of Maryland  
308 James Senate Office Building  
110 College Avenue  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear The Honorable Roesser:

The State Highway Administration will conduct a follow-up informational meeting for the Owens Glen and Westleigh communities regarding the proposed sound barriers along MD 28. This meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 6, 2001, from 7 to 9 p.m., at the Quince Orchard High School, 15800 Quince Orchard Road, Gaithersburg, Maryland.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616 or 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

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December 31, 2001

Joseph Rutter, Jr., Director  
Howard County Office of Planning and Zoning  
3430 Court House Drive  
Ellicott City MD 21043-4392

Dear Mr. Rutter: *Joe*

The State Highway Administration (SHA) will conduct an informational meeting for the Hammond Hills/Patuxent Springs/Lyons Hill and Murray Hill Townhouses/Hammond Hills communities regarding the proposed sound barrier along the north side of relocated MD 216 between US 29 and Leishear Road in Howard County. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 24, 2002, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the Banneker Room of the George Howard Building, 3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City, Maryland. Before the meeting, displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the sound barriers proposed for this project and to seek concurrence on the construction of barriers from at least 75 percent of the impacted property owners that would benefit from the barriers. We will distribute vote cards at the meeting to those impacted homeowners. Impacted property owners who are eligible to vote are those whose homes would experience a 10 decibel increase in highway noise levels over the existing conditions, and also those whose homes will experience highway noise levels of 66 decibels or greater from the new highway. The purpose of the vote will be to obtain agreement on the construction of sound barriers in order that we may proceed with the design of barriers.

Property owners who are unable to attend this meeting will receive a summary of the meeting and copies of all materials distributed at the meeting, approximately 7 to 10 days following the meeting. Voting cards will also be included for impacted property owners who are unable to attend the meeting.

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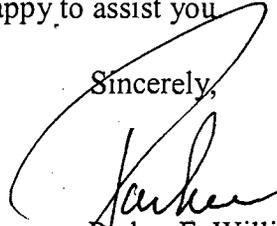
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Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. James Hade, our Noise Abatement Team Leader at 410-545-8599, 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at [jhade@sha.state.md.us](mailto:jhade@sha.state.md.us). He will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

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**Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration**

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Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

November 26, 2001

Joseph Rutter, Jr., Director  
Howard County Office of Planning and Zoning  
3430 Court House Drive  
Ellicott City MD 21043-4392

Dear Mr. Rutter:

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for several of the communities along the eastbound segment of the proposed relocated MD 216 (Scaggsville Road), between US 29 and I-95, regarding the proposed sound barriers along MD 216 in Howard County. The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 12, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the Banneker Room, located on the first floor of the George Howard Building, 3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City Maryland. The purpose of the meetings is to discuss the placement of the proposed sound barriers and to obtain concurrence from at least 75 percent of the impacted property owners. Displays will be available from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. James Hade, our Noise Abatement Team Leader at 410-545-8599, 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at [jhade@sha.state.md.us](mailto:jhade@sha.state.md.us). He will be happy to assist you.

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State Highway Administration**

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Parris N. Glendening  
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October 10, 2001

The Honorable James E. Rzepkowski  
Maryland House of Delegates  
214 Lowe House Office Building  
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Rzepkowski:

This letter is a follow-up to the September 25 informational meeting hosted by the State Highway Administration (SHA) at the Quarterfield Elementary School, regarding the proposed sound barrier for the Glen Burnie Park community along eastbound MD 174 in the southeast quadrant of the I-97/MD 174 interchange in Anne Arundel County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the following information from the meeting.

The SHA is following-up with those homeowners who were unable to attend the meeting by providing them with the materials distributed at the meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the sound barrier plans for the twelve residences that will be impacted by high levels of traffic noise anticipated to occur because of the improvements to MD 174. We also need to determine that at least 75 percent of the twelve impacted property owners approve of the sound barrier placement. There were approximately six homeowners present.

Several issues were brought up at the meeting regarding the potential for reflection of aircraft noise off of the proposed barrier, if the proposed barrier could be constructed before the highway improvements, and the possibility of landscaping on the residential side of the barrier. These issues will be researched and, once the results of the research are determined, the information will be forwarded to you. Enclosed, for your information, are copies of the distributed materials: the meeting's Agenda; an Information Sheet, listing typical noises in the environment; a Plan Sheet, showing the sound barrier location, current noise levels, and proposed noise level reduction; Cross-Section View of the community; a Plan Sheet, showing the MD 174 over I-97 Bridge Replacement project area; and a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*. Also, for those homeowners that are impacted by highway noise, we have included a postage-paid ballot for them to indicate their approval or disapproval of the proposed sound barrier project.

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Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration

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One copy each of the following:

The meeting's *Agenda*

*Sound* information sheet

*Site Plan* for Glen Burnie Park community showing alignment of the proposed barrier, the impacted and benefited homes, current noise levels and proposed noise abatement

**Cross-Sections** of the Glen Burnie Park community

*Plan Sheet* showing overall MD 174 over I-97 Bridge Replacement

*Ballot/Voting Card* (only for impacted property owners)



**Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration**

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Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

September 5, 2001

The Honorable James E. Rzepkowski  
Maryland House of Delegates  
214 Lowe House Office Building  
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard  
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Rzepkowski:

The State Highway Administration will conduct an informational meeting for the Glen Burnie Park community regarding the proposed sound barrier along eastbound MD 174, in the southeast quadrant of the I-97/MD 174 interchange, in Anne Arundel County. The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 25, 2001, from 7:15 to 9 p.m., in the multi-purpose room of the Quarterfield Elementary School, 7967 Quarterfield Road, Severn, Maryland. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the placement of the proposed sound barrier and to obtain concurrence from at least 75 percent of the impacted property owners. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:45 to 7:15 p.m.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Parker F. Williams'.

Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

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May 31, 2001

The Honorable James Rzepkowski  
Maryland House of Delegates  
214 Lowe House Office Building  
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Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Rzepkowski:

This is a follow-up on the outcome of our evaluation of the Linthicum Heights community, adjacent to the southeast quadrant of the I-695/MD 170 interchange in Anne Arundel County, for a possible sound barrier. I appreciate the opportunity to update you on this matter.

The State Highway Administration (SHA) has evaluated the Linthicum Heights community under the Type II, or retrofit, portion of the State's Sound Barrier Program. While we determined that the community does predate I-695, current highway noise levels do not equal or exceed the 66 decibel impact threshold that would be required for a barrier to be given further consideration. Twenty-four hour measurements were taken at three locations in the community. We use the highest 20-minute average reading to determine whether this noise level criterion has been met. The highest noise level recorded for the Linthicum Heights community was 62 decibels. Based on this information, the Linthicum Heights community is not eligible for a sound barrier under the State's Sound Barrier Program.

Thank you for your interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. I regret that I cannot provide a positive response. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to our Director of Environmental Design at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by email, at [nhardy@sha.state.md.us](mailto:nhardy@sha.state.md.us). She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should always feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

Parker F. Williams  
Administrator

- cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
- Mr. Paul Armstrong, District Engineer, State Highway Administration
- The Honorable Pamela G. Beidle, Member, Anne Arundel County Council
- Mr. Steven Collins
- The Honorable James E. DeGrange, Sr., Member, Senate of Maryland
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| 2325  |   | 12/18/2000         | letter                          | COLLINS     | Mr. Steven            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| STREET#:  | STREET NAME   | COUNTY             | CITY (Post office)              | ZIPCODE     | Representative statu  |                                     |
| 312   | Chestnut Road   | AA                 | Linthicum Height                | 21090-2125  | private               | Find Next                           |
| Elected Official whom has communicated directly to us on this custome   |   |                    | Del. James E. Rzepkowski        |             |                       |                                     |
| DAY PHONE   | HOME PHONE  | E-Mail address     | COMMUNITY                       |             |                       |                                     |
|   | 410-850-4037  |                    | Linthicum Heights               |             |                       |                                     |
| Logical Project Limits  | ROADWAY:  | I-695              | INQUIRY                         | BarrierName |                       |                                     |
| SE quadrant of I-695/MD 170 interchange   |   |                    | wants barrier - I-695 too noisy |             |                       |                                     |
| RESPONSE  | Last Contact  | Researcher:        | Primary SHA Contact             | 2nd Contact |                       |                                     |
| 05/22 Noise study completed - levels don't equal or exceed 66 dBA - not eligible for Type II barrier  | 12/14/2000  |                    | Natalie                         |             |                       |                                     |
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| LAST action   | 12/14 - Del. Rzepkowski wrote to DE Armstrong on behalf of Mr. Collins - SHA to perform noise analysis; community meets date criteria |                    |                                 |             |                       |                                     |
| Comments: This field can not be sorted or searched.:  | OPPE or Hwy rep.current type 1 inf  |                    |                                 |             |                       |                                     |
| 12/2000 - EO's - Dist 32 - Sen. James E. DeGrange, Sr.; Dels. Mary Ann Love, James E. Rzepkowski; Theodore Sophocleus; AA Councilwoman Pamela G. Beidle |   |                    |                                 |             | Construction Projects |                                     |
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