

MD 151 at Wharf Road Interchange Bridge Replacement Project

Project Begins this Fall

The Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration (MDOT SHA) will begin a project to replace three bridges along MD 151 at the Wharf Road Interchange in Baltimore County. Work on the project is scheduled to begin this fall.

Project Background and Overview

The MD 151 bridges at the Wharf Road Interchange were built in the 1950s by the Bethlehem Steel Company. The interchange originally serviced the main entrance for Bethlehem Steel's Sparrows Point plant, which is now the main entrance to Tradepoint Atlantic. While currently safe for travel, MDOT SHA inspectors have rated the three bridges (northern, middle ramp, and southern bridges) to be in fair or poor condition and in need of repair or replacement. Replacing the bridges not only improves the safety of motorists but also supports the future development anticipated for the Tradepoint Atlantic facility and surrounding businesses.

The three new bridges will be approximately the same width and length as the existing bridges. The project will include functional improvements such as bicycle-compatible shoulders on the bridges and a new sidewalk on MD 151 at the Wharf Road interchange. Once complete, long-term maintenance and the structural integrity and reliability of all three bridges will be improved. MDOT SHA also will upgrade the existing highway lighting and signing.

How will traffic be impacted during construction?

This project will be constructed in two stages and will require a series of detours. A full southbound detour will be in effect along Wharf Road for the duration of the project in order for crews to safely access all three bridges. A temporary (three-month) northbound detour will also be implemented along Wharf Road below the southern bridge during each stage of construction to perform pile driving and other pier construction activities. Overall, the various construction-related detours and closures will be in place for approximately three years. (See maps inside for proposed detours.)

Have other alternatives been considered?

A full detour of Wharf Road was considered for the entire duration of construction; however, this option was not selected due to the overall impact on traffic for Tradepoint Atlantic, residents, and the surrounding businesses.

When will work be completed?

MDOT SHA will make every effort to complete this project as quickly as possible while minimizing impacts on residents and motorists. Construction is scheduled to begin in fall 2020 and be completed in fall 2023.

See inside for detour maps and more future bridge renderings!

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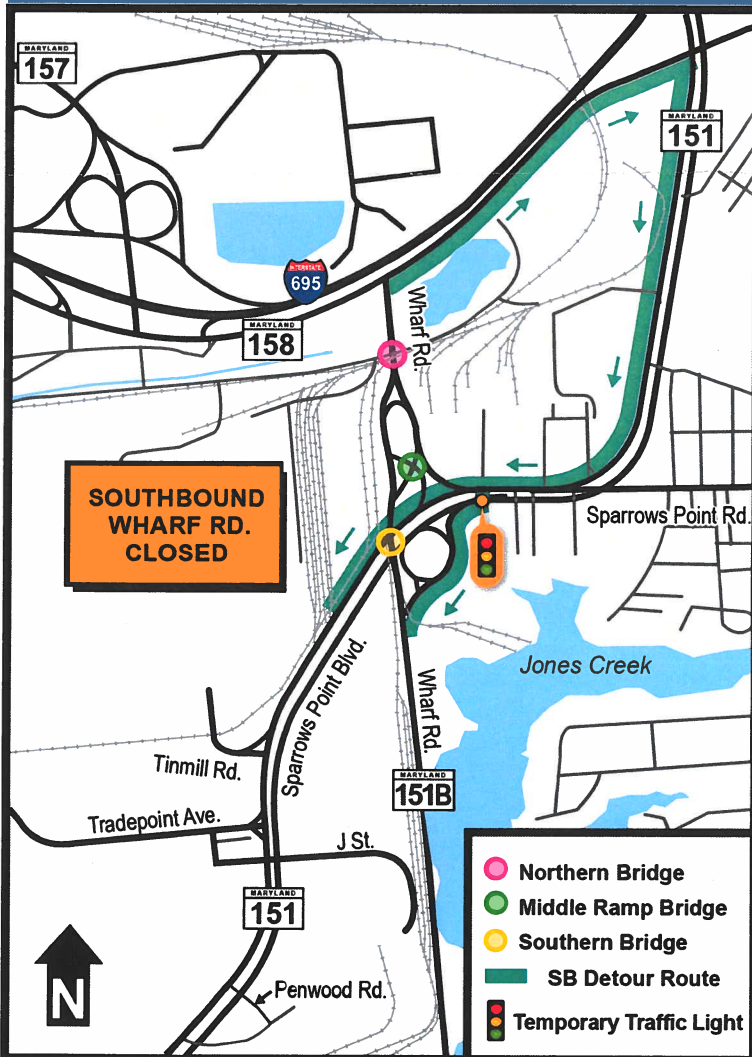
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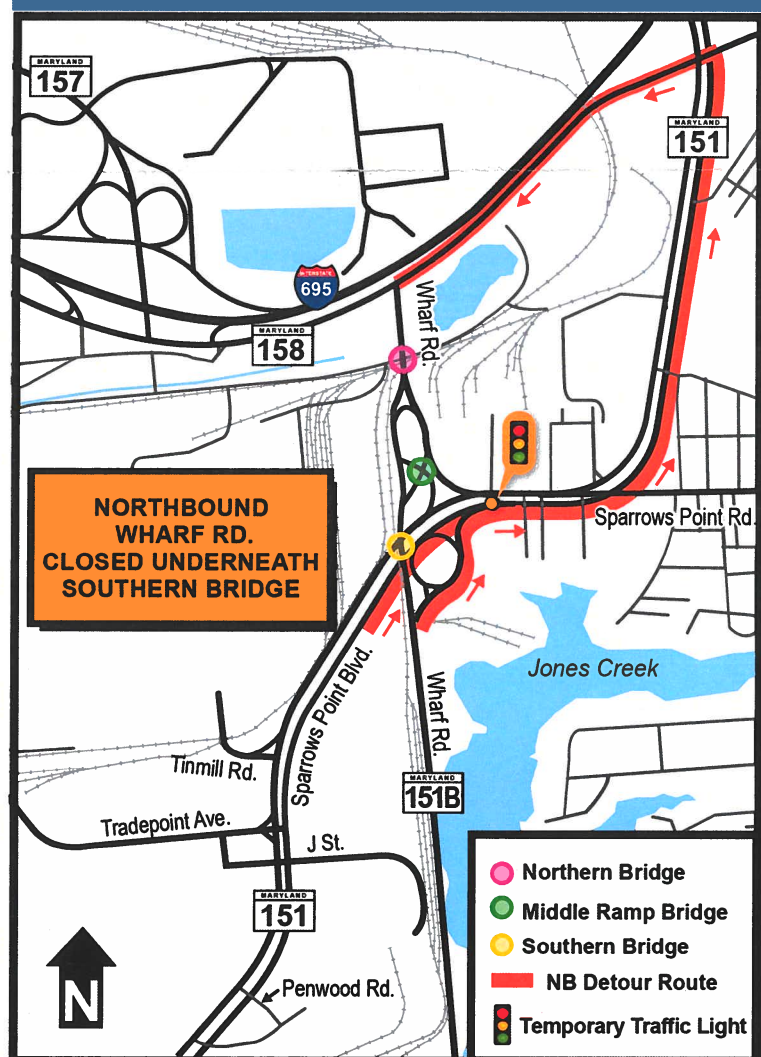
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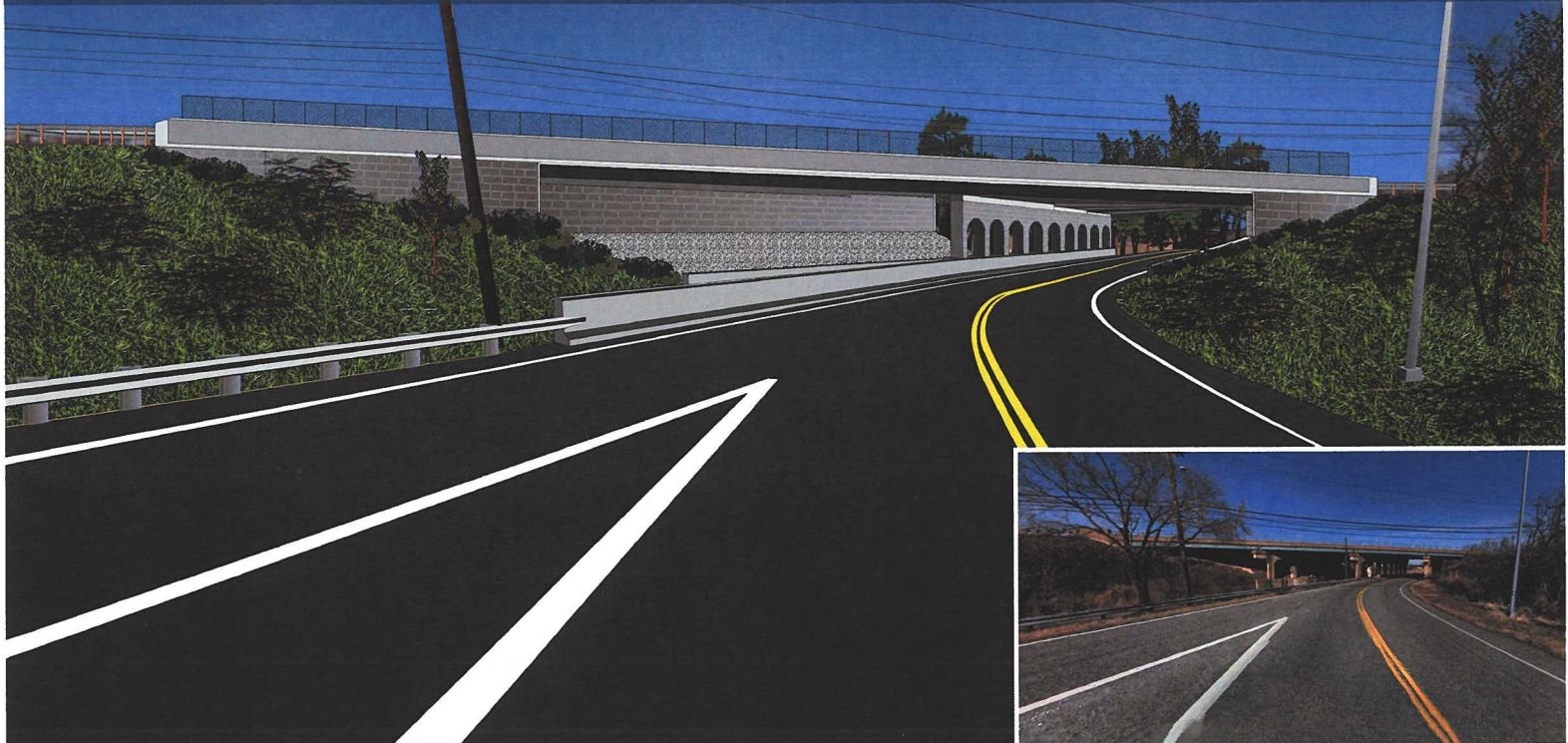
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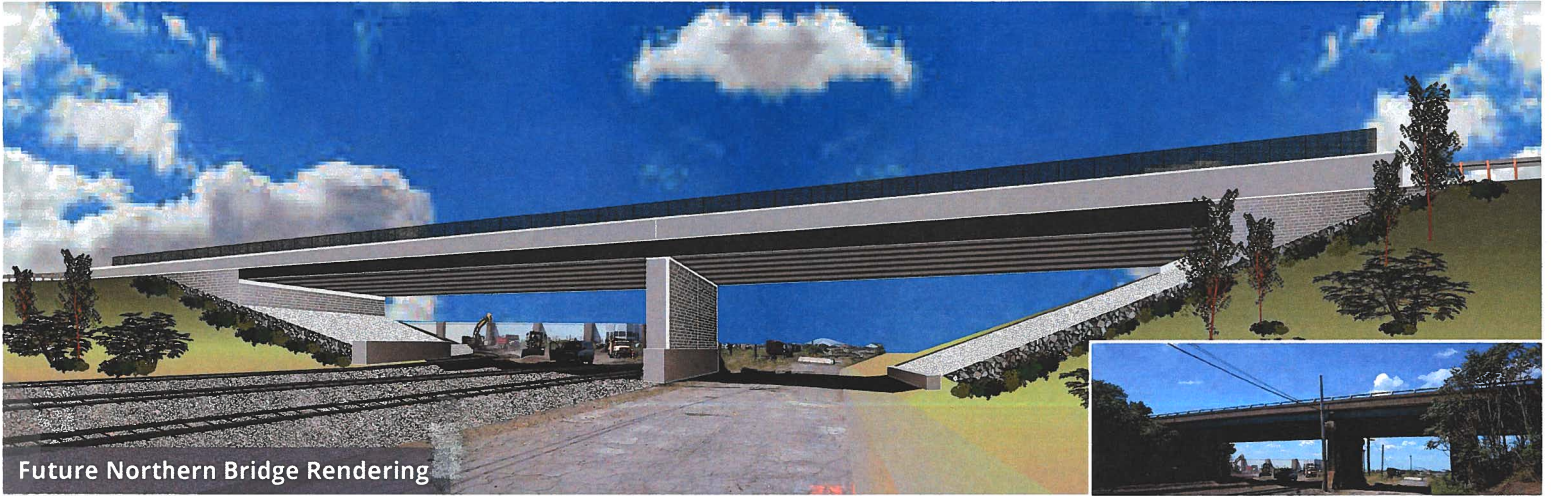
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