



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION

Division of Capital Development

MONTROSE PARKWAY NEWSLETTER

Construction Update No. 3

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this newsletter is to update you on the progress made to date on the Montrose Parkway project and to inform you on the scheduled construction activities for the coming months.

PROGRESS TO DATE

As of October 2008, the overall project completion is 75%. The Contractor currently is on schedule with a target date of Summer 2008 for completion of the entire project.

Existing Montrose Road

The widening of existing Montrose Road required the relocation of existing utilities to provide adequate room for the improvements. These included overhead power lines, communication cables, and cable TV. This work is scheduled to complete in December of this year. The relocation of WSSC water and sewer lines is complete throughout the project with the exception of work that remains on Montrose Road between Tildenwood Drive and Evelyn Drive. Widening along westbound Montrose Road is complete, and new traffic signals, sidewalks and a bike path are complete on Montrose Road from Tower Oaks Blvd. through Tildenwood Drive.

Parkway Alignment

The new Parkway is nearly complete from existing Montrose Road through Old Old

Georgetown Road. The contractor is scheduled to place final surface pavement in late October early November of this year. New traffic signals will be placed into service along Montrose Parkway, one at the new entrance to Kaiser Permanente and the other at new intersection of Montrose Parkway and East Jefferson Street.

FUTURE WORK SCHEDULE

Existing Montrose Road

The significant work along Montrose Road in the coming months will be the widening along eastbound side of the road. Once this is complete, traffic will be shifted to the outside lanes on Montrose Road. This will allow construction of storm drains and medians adjacent to the inside lanes on Montrose Road.

The schedule currently anticipates a six-month closure of Montrose Road, to allow for the construction of a new bridge over Old Farm Creek. The limits of the closure will be from just west of Evelyn Drive to the intersection of Montrose Road and the new Montrose Parkway (near St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church).

The closure is scheduled to commence in mid-November. At that time, traffic traveling eastbound on Montrose Road will be shifted to the new Montrose Parkway at Tildenwood Drive, and follow the Parkway to East Jefferson

Street. At that point, traffic bound for points on Montrose Road between Evelyn Drive and East Jefferson street must turn left (north) onto East Jefferson and then left (west) onto existing Montrose Road. Traffic bound for Rockville Pike and points east will turn left (north) onto East Jefferson and then right (east) onto existing Montrose Road.

Westbound through traffic on Montrose Road will be required to turn left (south) at East Jefferson Street then right (west) onto Montrose Parkway. Montrose Road between Evelyn Drive and East Jefferson Street will remain open to local traffic.

Safe pedestrian access along existing Montrose Road will be maintained at all times during the closure. To facilitate this, a temporary pedestrian bridge will be set in place along the north (westbound) side of Montrose Road across Old Farm Creek. Attached to this newsletter update is a plan view of the detour within the limits of construction from MD Route 355 through I-270.

CONSTRUCTION HOURS AND INSPECTION

The contractor will continue to work Monday through Friday between 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., with occasional Saturdays to make up for weather delays. Throughout the construction process, a full-time County representative will be present on the job site during hours of construction. In addition to overseeing the construction progress and monitoring the work zone for pedestrian and traffic safety, the

County representative will be available to answer questions that you may have about the project. The field office telephone number is provided below.

IMPACT TO YOU AND COUNTY SERVICES

In order to minimize the inconveniences to the public, businesses, and County services, lane closures will be kept to a minimum interval and allowed only between hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Driveways and entrances will remain accessible at all times during construction. Warning, guidance, and directional signs will be posted throughout the construction vicinity to keep motorists informed of conditions.

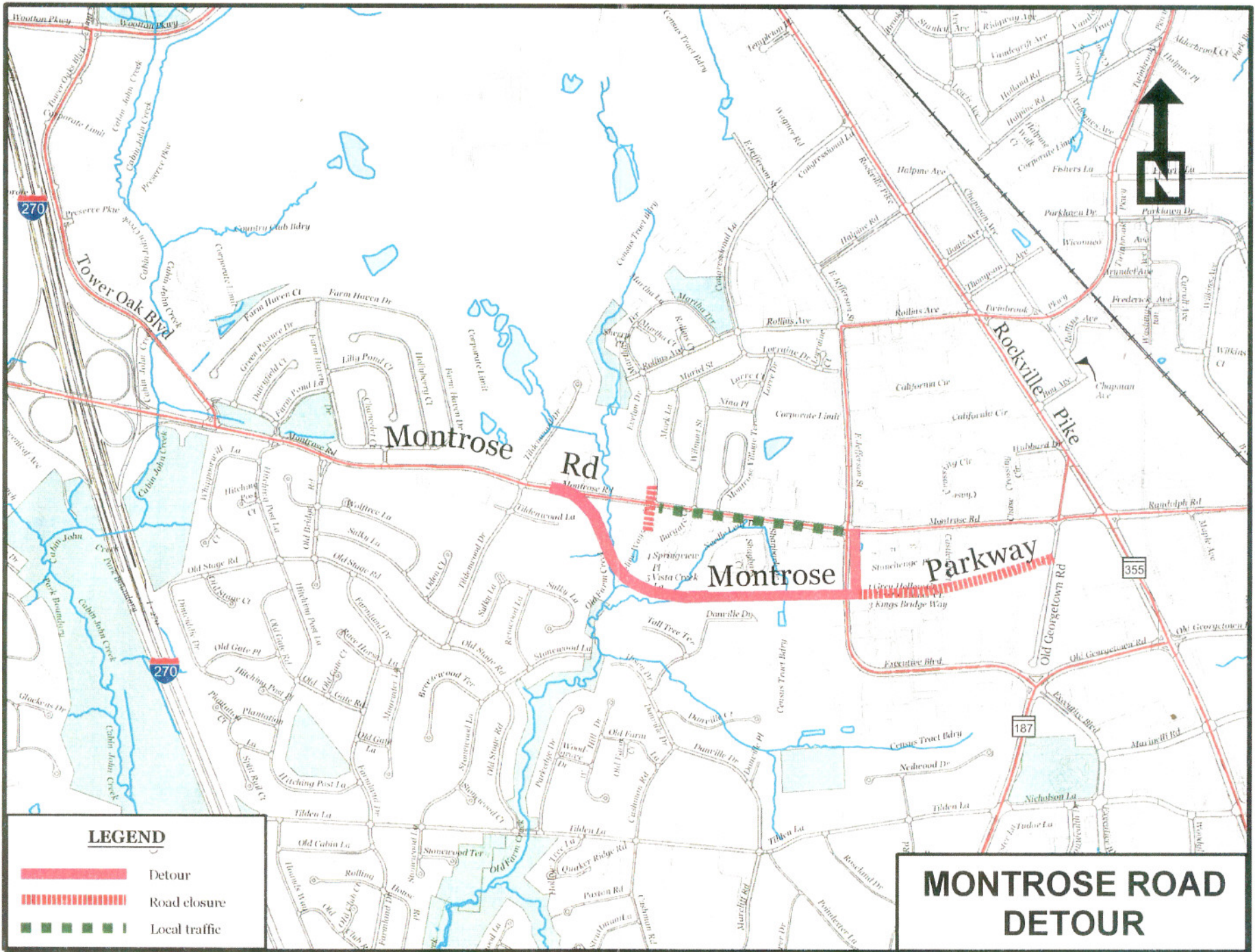
WHO IS RECEIVING THIS NEWSLETTER

This newsletter is being sent to all citizens who are on the project's mailing list and to the owners of businesses located in the immediate vicinity. Please share this information with your neighbors. If they want to receive future newsletters, please have them contact the Montgomery County Department of Public Works and Transportation, Construction Section, at 240-777-7210, to have their names added to the mailing list.

WEB SITE INFORMATION

For information on this, and other transportation projects in the County, please visit our Web site at:

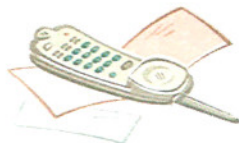
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LEGEND

-  Detour
-  Road closure
-  Local traffic

**MONTROSE ROAD
DETOUR**



TELEPHONE NUMBERS

If you have any questions, feel free to contact the appropriate County representative at one of the following numbers:

<u>Questions About</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Phone Number</u>
Construction Activities	Craig Lease	240-773-3412
County Field Office	Roger Brown	301-881-7602
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Mailing List	Jackie Earp	240-777-7210

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