PUBLIC NOTICE

The Prince George's County Department of Public Works and Transportation (DPW&T) is proposing to use federal funds for the replacement of Bridge No. P-0494 Molly Berry Road Bridge over Tributary to Mataponi Creek, in Clinton, Maryland. Recent inspections of the bridge structures have identified numerous structural issues including delaminated concrete and spalling with exposed and corroded reinforcing steel. Scaling, cracking and efflorescence are also a concern. The erosion behind the south abutment is a significant concern and could result in the failure of the approach roadway.

As per the 2017 inspection report, the bridge sufficiency rating (BSR) of this bridge was 40 out of 100 and substructure rating was 2 out of 10. Per the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) guidelines, a bridge with a BSR of less than 50 and substructure rating of 2 is consider very poor and eligible for replacement as funded by Highway Bridge Program (HBP). Therefore, DPW&T will be replacing the bridge. The erosion behind the South Abutment has been repaired recently, and the approach roadways have been repaved to prevent any immediate failure of the structure.

DPW&T has obtained all required permits and completed the design and submitted the final advertisement documents to the Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration (MDOT SHA) for approval. No park lands are located within the vicinity of the project area. DPW&T has started the process to acquire right-of-way from the adjacent property owners.

Total construction will be completed in approximately eleven (11) months. The road will be closed during the construction. Appropriate signage will be provided during the construction and variable message signs (VMS) will be provided before the work is initiated.

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