



HPCA Newsletter

October 2023

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hello Neighbors. It is Tuesday morning, October 24 — a beautiful Fall morning and we had our first frost. Our year is quickly coming to an end with the holidays fast approaching. We had a wonderful time at the Oyster Roast and look forward to our **Holiday Party on Dec 9**. I am also looking at a date in the first part of November to schedule a “clean up day” for our community. More info to come for both these events in a separate notice to everyone.

Our 94th Oyster Roast – despite the weather, we were “ready and willing” by 1:00 for the start. Thank you to everyone who showed up early to set up and returned later to finish due to the rain. The oysters were really good and supplied by Veronica at the “Bounty”. We will look to her next year for them. Thank you, Veronica. Also new this year was the music— thanks to Ryan Webster. We will do that again next year! I want to acknowledge all the local businesses which donated items for our Ship of Cheer—Chesapeake Market and Deli and Cheeman Wine & Spirits for some “spirits”, Plaza Mexico - \$25 gift certificate, and Wheel House – Octoberfest T-shirt.

So many volunteers put in so many hours to make this event a success; but I want to give an extra “thank you” to Terri Sisk and her kitchen staff, Stacy Allen, Nona Kaine and Alicia Stephen, who worked from 9 am to 5:30 pm. Thank you to all for your help and participation with the result being a wonderful community day and a financial success for HPCA!!

A Personal Reflection: We are all so fortunate to live where we do and enjoy the opportunities afforded to us. Our world is experiencing such crisis and turmoil right now; and when talking with neighbors, this weighs heavily on all of us. I found this quote that I want to share:

“Although the world is full of suffering, it is full also of the overcoming of it.” Helen Keller

Looking forward to seeing everyone at our Community Holiday Party, *Thank you,*

Gayle

Speeding: Holland Point and Rose Haven residents, and their respective associations, have spotlighted the issue of speeding on 261 for years. Sure enough, excessive speed in the early morning hours of Sunday, October 22nd resulted in damage to the property and home of a south-end Holland Point resident. A power pole and electrical lines were also damaged creating an hours-long power outage for many Holland Point and North Beach residents. Thankfully, no loss of life or known injuries occurred. The perpetrators were identified and citations were issued. HPCA will continue to voice our community's concerns to County and State leadership. Add your voice by communicating with our Anne Arundel County Council Member, Shannon Ledbetter [SLeadbetter@aacounty.org].



October 19, 2023, Membership Meeting

Key Takeaways from the HPCA Board of Directors and Membership Meeting:



Holiday Painted Crab Basket Tree: Holland Point residents are encouraged to participate in the 3rd annual Holiday Crab Basket tree project in Deale to benefit the Anne Arundel Watermen's Association and their annual scholarship fund, the Arts Lab, the Deale Merchants Association and other association projects that help local watermen. The crab basket tree will be lit this year on December 23rd at the Deale traffic circle. If you would like to make a \$50 contribution and paint a crab basket, please contact HPCA president Gayle Shumate at gpsfumate9@gmail.com. You can also make a donation without painting a basket. Gayle will deliver your basket to you, pick it up when you have finished painting it and return it to you after the holidays. Baskets are due to be returned to Gayle not later than November 25th.

Trees, trees, trees: It's prime Fall planting time for sapling trees and resident Tree Trooper, Stacy Allen, is seeking Holland Point residents to order and plant native sapling trees on their properties in November. You've no doubt seen the trees at the Community Center and how well they have done despite climate challenges. The cost of a sapling is \$20. Contact Stacy soon at slynne@mac.com. To learn more about Stacy's work for Replant Anne Arundel and her fellow Tree Troopers, check out <https://whatsupmag.com/news/towne-salute/meet-richard-hergenroeder-diane-hill-stacy-allen-of-tree-troopers/>.

Long Range Planning Committee:

HPCA's Long Range Planning Committee met with State Highway Administration ("SHA") staff Kellie Boulware and her colleagues at the Loveless Civic Center on Thursday, October 12th at 6:30 PM for an update on SHA's 261 project. SHA is conducting a six-month study of MD 261/Walnut Ave. safety and improvement options, including: rumble strips, improved signage and crosswalks; traffic calming approaches such as raised crosswalks and road redesign; and the addition of pedestrian and cyclist paths. SHA will also consider whether to limit thru truck traffic. Stay tuned for results of the SHA study in February 2024. The SHA presentation appears at the end of this newsletter.

The September newsletter announced that the Anne Arundel County Commission voted on the appointment of Rich Erickson to the Region 9 Stake Holder Advisory Committee ("SAC"). The first Region 9 SAC meeting was held October 14, 2023. The agenda for the kickoff meeting can be found at <https://www.aacounty.org/regions-1-3-9-stakeholder-advisory-committee-kickoff-meeting>.

The Anne Arundel County Region Plans are community-driven land use documents that build on the work of Plan2040—the Countywide General Development Plan—in smaller areas. The Region Plans evaluate community assets and needs, present a shared vision for the next 20 years, and make specific recommendations about planned land use, zoning, environmental protection, transportation improvements, public facilities, and community design. The Region Plans will be used as a reference for informing future requests that directly affect our Holland Point neighborhood in areas such as modifying zoning, private development plans, and the capital budget and improvement program. Region Plans are an opportunity for us to shape our community. The link for the Region 9 Planning Hub is <https://region-plan-hub-anne-arundel.md.hub.arcgis.com/pages/region-9>.

If you would like to contribute your ideas to the Region 9 Vision Plan, you are encouraged to take the survey found at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Region9Vision>. It's easy to use, doesn't take long and your thoughts on the future vision for our end of the County are important.

The Anne Arundel County Zoning Change Request period for Region 9 runs from October 3 to November 20, 2023 (11:59PM). Property owners and their authorized agents have the opportunity to submit an application to change the zoning for property they own in Region 9 as part of the Comprehensive Zoning process. Follow this link for more information and to submit an application. https://gis.aacounty.org/portal/apps/experiencebuilder/experience/?id=daa8ba468e9f48adb9d31352167e0a02&page=page_15

Holland Point and Rose Haven are largely zoned R5 – Residential: generally intended for low-medium density single-family detached residential development at an urban density of five dwelling units per acre; minimum lot size of 7,000 square feet; maximum lot coverage by structures of 40%; and maximum height of 35 feet.

Dates to Remember – 2023

Thursday, November 30 — Board Meeting (Budget and Calendar) 6:30 PM

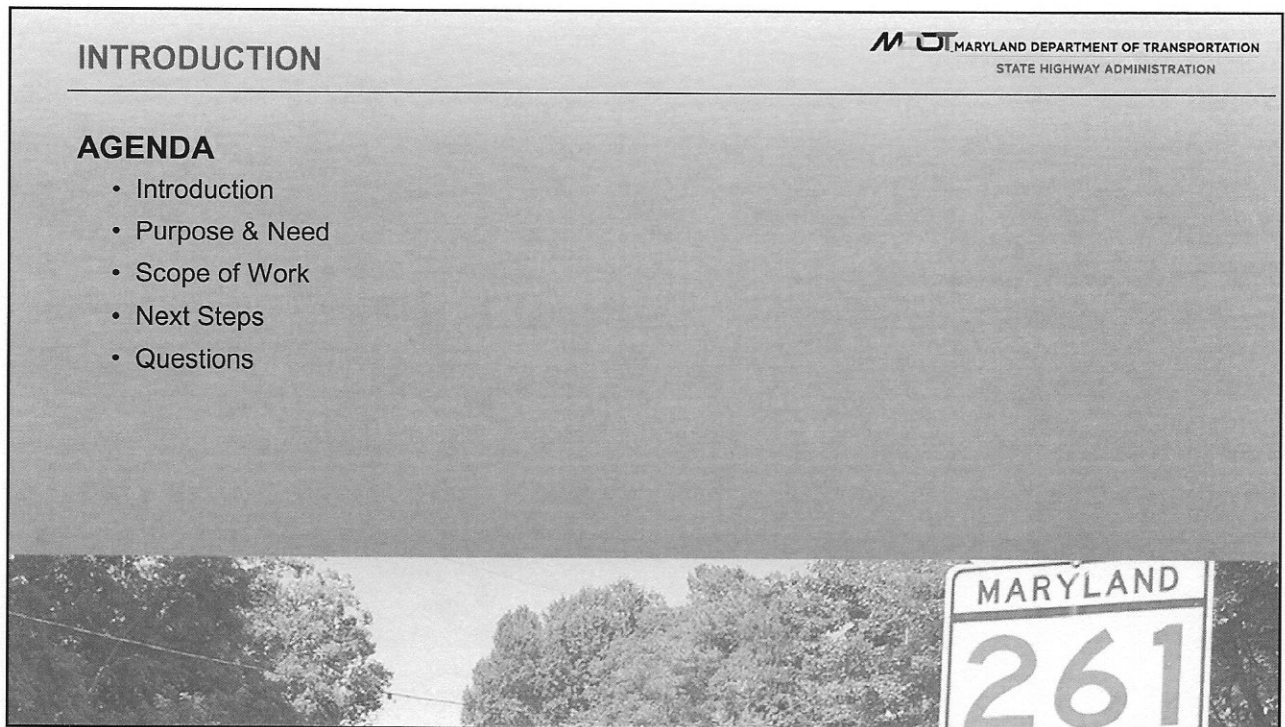
Saturday, December 9 — **Community Christmas Party** (Time TBD)

Officers and Board Members

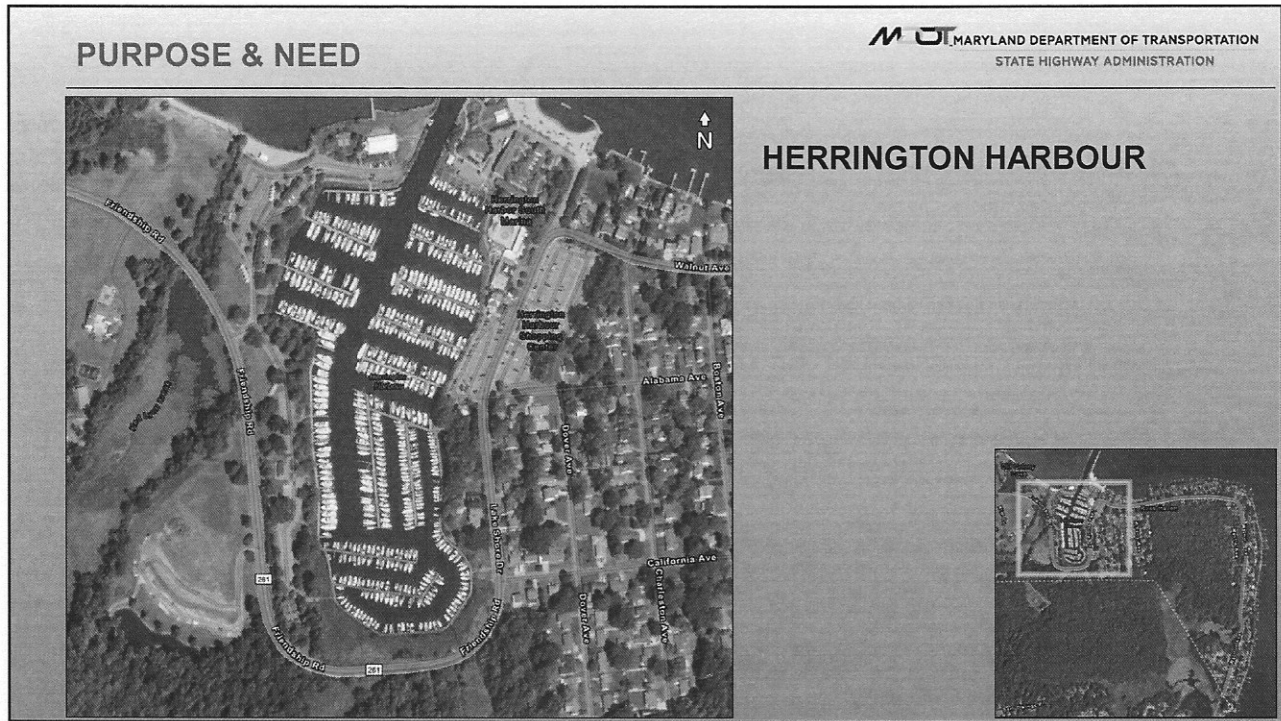
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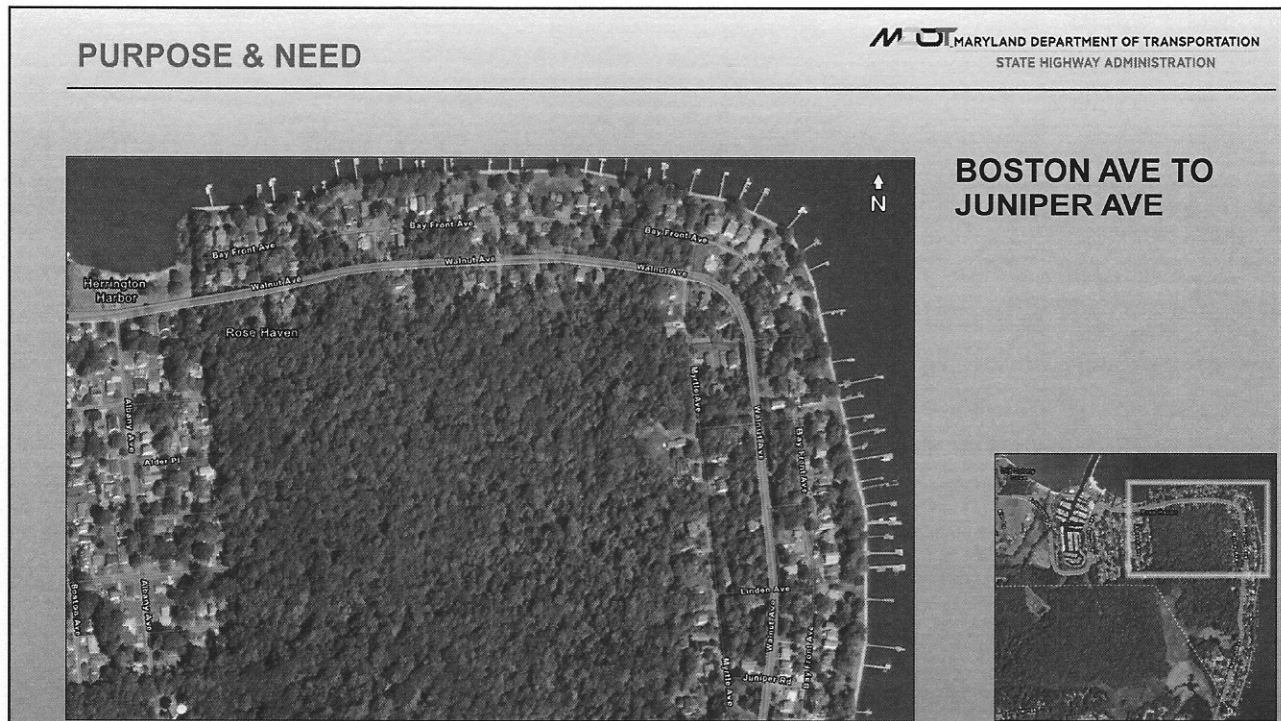
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JUNIPER AVE TO CALVERT COUNTY



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SCOPE OF WORK

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TRAFFIC STUDY & CRASH DATA ANALYSIS

- Evaluate traffic patterns
 - Speed
 - Hourly volumes
 - Vehicle types
- Collect and analyze crash data
 - Identify high-risk areas
 - Evaluate crash types
 - Consider pedestrian conflicts

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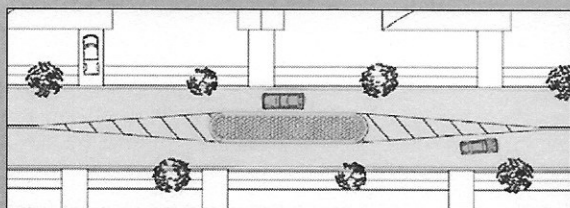
PERMANENT TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES

- Determine areas of interest based on traffic and crash studies
- Evaluate existing measures
 - Rumble strips
 - Increased signage
 - Raised crosswalk at Herrington on the Bay and Chesapeake Market/Deli
- Develop potential options

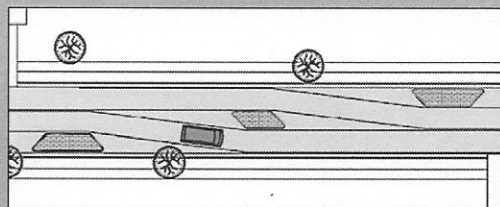
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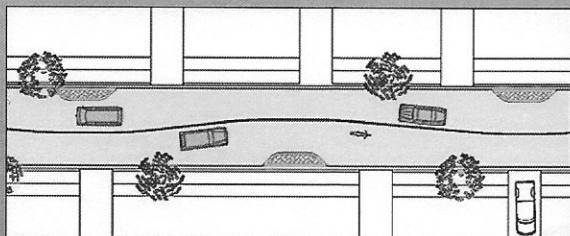
PERMANENT TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES – POTENTIAL OPTIONS



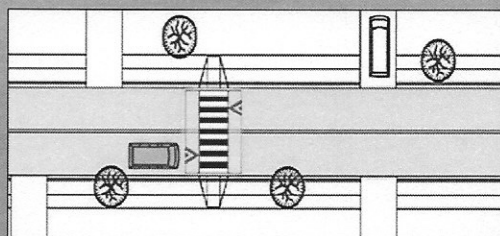
Midblock Median Island



Midblock Lateral Shift



Chicane



Raised Crosswalk

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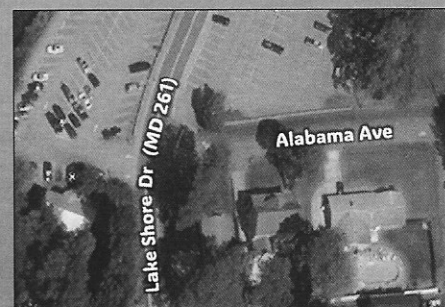
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INVESTIGATION OF THROUGH TRUCK TRAFFIC

- Research truck routes
- Determine if significant truck volume uses MD 261 without stopping
 - Provide recommendations to deter through traffic

MD 261-ALABAMA AVENUE INTERSECTION

- Investigate sight distance at Lake Shore Drive (MD 261) and Alabama Avenue



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BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN FACILITY

- Evaluate options for a permanent facility between Herrington Harbour and North Beach
 - Sidewalk
 - Shared-use path
 - On-road bike lane
- Evaluate possible changes to drainage system to accommodate new facility

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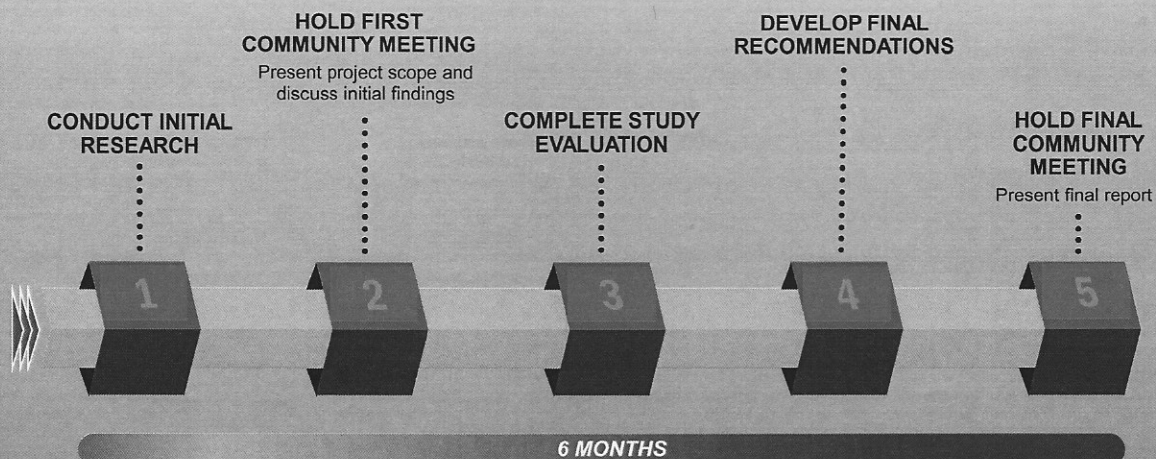
ENVIRONMENTAL NEEDS

- Evaluate environmental impacts related to proposed improvements
 - Existing features (wetlands, marshes)
 - Chesapeake Bay Critical Area
 - Permitting requirements

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NEXT STEPS

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QUESTIONS