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MD 404 Widening (Phase 1B)

WHERE: Queen Anne's and Caroline counties

WHAT: Widening MD 404 from two to four lanes and adding a median from west of MD 309 to Cemetery Road (1.5 miles). The project also includes building a new four-lane bridge carrying MD 404 over Tuckahoe Creek and adding shoulders to accommodate bicycles and pedestrians.

This phase is part of a larger multi-phase safety project that involves widening MD 404 to a four-lane divided highway from US 50 to the Denton Bypass (11.83 miles). Shoulders will accommodate bicycles and pedestrians. The widening includes safety enhancements to minimize traffic conflict points by limiting access along the newly widened roadway. **The remaining widening projects are being done in phases as funding is available.**

WHY: The wider roadway will improve safety and operations and reduce traffic congestion caused by high seasonal peaks associated with summer resort traffic. MD 404 is a major corridor for motorists traveling to or from the Eastern Shore in the summer when the average daily traffic count climbs from 18,500 per day to 23,100 per day.

WHEN: Construction began May 2014 and is scheduled to be complete summer 2017, weather permitting.

COST: **Construction: \$20.8 million**
Transportation Infrastructure Investment Act

Total: \$39 million
(Federal: \$31.3 million, State: \$7.7 million)

LOCATION MAP:

