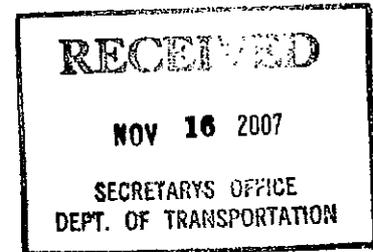




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October 30, 2007



Mr. John D. Porcari, Secretary
Maryland Department of Transportation
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Re: Dorchester County Highway Priorities 2007

Dear Secretary Porcari:

The Dorchester County Council is submitting the following list of potential transportation improvements along State Highways in Dorchester County for future State of Maryland funding consideration.

- MD Route 343 (Washington Street) between U.S. Route 50 and Crusader Road – heavy volumes of peak hour and summer traffic leaving, crossing and entering U.S. Route 50. The geometric configuration of this corridor coupled with the heavy traffic volumes creates serious capacity and safety issues. Improvements such as geometric reconfiguration, widening and additional signalization should be considered.
- MD Route 343 (Washington Street) between Leonards Lane and U.S. Route 50 – increased volumes of traffic from Neck District and development in west Cambridge will continue to add to congestion problems. Widening of the section is needed or a new bypass from MD Route 343 to Bayly Road/MD Route 16 would eliminate this bottleneck.
- U.S. Route 50 and MD Route 16 intersection at Hyatt – continued population growth will steadily increase the volume and congestion at this intersection. Future improvements should be considered.
- MD Route 16 from Dailsville Road to U.S. Route 50 – continued development in the area of Cambridge will increase the volume and congestion along this section of roadway. Future improvements and/or preliminary design of improvements should be considered.
- Woods Road from U.S. Route 50 to MD Route 16 – presently a County maintained roadway. MD Route 16 improvements should consider converting this section of Woods Road to a State Highway and improvements made to increase effectiveness of State Highway system into, out of and through Cambridge.

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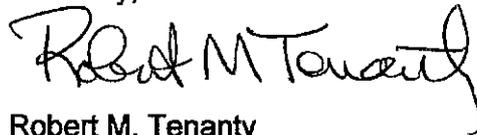


- Church Creek Streetscape Project – provide funding for design finalization and construction.

The existing four projects currently on the Highway Needs Inventory should remain on our recommendation list. These projects include improvements to MD 14 between MD 331 and MD 313 and three separate projects to improve MD 16 from U.S. Route 50 north to .7 miles south of MD 331.

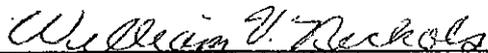
Your cooperation and assistance is greatly appreciated. Should you or your staff have any questions, please contact this office.

Sincerely,



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