Construction Information Meeting for Section 2 & Section 3
Maryland/Delaware State Line to the new US Route 301 Interchange with Summit Bridge Road
CIM No. 4 Meeting Minutes
August 24, 2016

Attendees:

Mr. and Mrs. George Oppenheimer  Mr. and Mrs. John Graf
Mr. and Mrs. Blair Smith  Pearl Ann Sitter
William Falgowski  Bonnie Turner
Anthony Gervasi  Dennis Beattle
Patti Pecht  George Rogers
Paula Haedel  Judith Appleton
Carol Baboolal  Mr. and Mrs. Dave Raymond
Sarah Hanlon  Sonya Comstock
Mr. and Mrs. James Schaeffer  Sandra Buchanan
John Clifton  Richard Matoni
Tate Cantwell – Century Engineering  Chris McKew – Allan Myers
Tom Clements – GEC/Century Engineering  Dave Charles – Greggo & Ferrara
Mark Buckalew – DelDOT  Ken Cimino - DelDOT

The meeting was commenced at 7:00PM by Ken Cimino from DelDOT welcoming all in attendance on behalf of the Delaware Department of Transportation and the US 301 Mainline Project Team.

Ken Cimino then turned the meeting over to Chris McKew with Allan Myers to give an update on construction activities that had taken place since the last meeting.

Chris McKew informed the group that Allan Myers completed work on the Visual Earth Berm behind the Spring Arbor Community as close to Bunker Hill Road as possible and that they continue to excavate material from Levels Road borrow pit and haul it north along the alignment. Allan Myers has begun to drive production piles at the Sandy Branch crossings and continue to install drainage pipes project wide.

Chris informed the group that planned construction activities between this meeting and the next meeting in October were to haul fill dirt along the alignment on both sides of Bunker Hill Road, complete most of the earth berm behind the Spring Arbor Community as close to the new Bunker Hill Road Bridge as possible, seed and stabilize the berm. Other planned activities include constructing bridge wing walls and setting of the Arch Culvert and start work on the Bunker Hill Road Bridge by mid-September.

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Or email us at: DOT_US301@state.de.us
Ken Cimino advised the group that as part of the public outreach effort a handout detailing the weekend closure of Summit Bridge from September 9, 2016 through September 12, 2016 to haul dirt across Summit Bridge Road was available.

Ken Cimino then turned the meeting over to Dave Charles with Greggo & Ferrara to give an update on construction activities that had taken place since the last meeting.

Dave Charles advised the group that Greggo & Ferrara continues construction of the Levels Road Bridge foundation and abutments. Greggo & Ferrara continues to haul dirt from the Levels Road pit south towards Maryland, construct sediment ponds and begin preliminary work at existing US 301 and Levels Road.

Dave advised the group that planned construction activities between this meeting and the next meeting in October were to continue work on the Levels Road Bridge with setting of the steel beams, continue to haul dirt into Maryland as well as install several pipe crossings along existing US 301.

Ken Cimino thanked Chris McKew and Dave Charles for their presentations and opened the floor for questions and discussion.

A question was asked as to when all of the dirt hauling in section 2A be completed.

Chris McKew from Allan Myers responded that their schedule showed late spring to early summer of 2017.

A question was asked as to when the sediment trap behind Garden Gate Drive (ST 1) would be removed and the remainder of the visual earth berm in that area be constructed.

Chris McKew from Allan Myers responded that their schedule showed completion of the Visual Earth Berm behind Garden Gate in the fall of 2017. This completion may not include complete vegetated stabilization.

A question was asked about employee safety and if Allan Myers employees were wearing some type of breathing apparatus.

Chris McKew responded yes, some do wear masks but most of their employees are inside of enclosed compartments on equipment.

A question was asked regarding who was monitoring dust.

Construction Management staff responded that Environmental Compliance Inspectors, DelDOT staff as well as Allan Myers staff was monitoring dust.

Mark Buckalew from DelDOT further advised that the Department fully understands the dust control issues and will step up measures as needed.
A resident along Armstrong Corner Road was also concerned about dust control and the effects that it was having on his property.

A resident from the Spring Arbor Community put the Project Team on notice that they and several other homeowners were having their HVAC units inspected for damage.

A question was asked regarding the timing of the seeding on the Visual Earth Berm behind the Spring Arbor Community.

Chris McKew from Allan Myers responded that due to high temperatures and a very little rain forecasted in the near future the seeding has been pushed back to mid-September. Chris further explained that he wanted to wait until prime seeding season to give the seed the best opportunity to grow.

A resident along Armstrong Corner Road asked how water would drain away from the new roadway.

Tate Cantwell from Century Engineering explained that water would drain from the side ditches through drainage pipes under the roadway and away from the area.

A resident along Armstrong Corner Road asked if the grass adjacent to her property would be cut and by who.

The Project Team responded that it would be cut by the Departments Maintenance Forces but probably not more than four times a year.

A resident asked if the Department had prepared for school children walking to and from the schools along Bunker Hill Road.

The Project Team responded that yes they would be installing Temporary Concrete Barrier wall to separate pedestrian traffic from vehicular traffic along Bunker Hill Road.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 26, 2016 at 7:00PM in the Middletown Town Hall.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40PM.