

The Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore Region

# PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT REPORT

June 2024

### **★ CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES ★**

#### **BIKEABLE BALTIMORE REGION PROJECT**

We're working to identify a bike network that's safe and comfortable for everyone, connecting our communities and making it easier to get to public transit, schools, work, parks, and more.



Join us at one of our public meetings—either in person or virtually—to share your thoughts. **Meetings continue through June 27, with online comments open through July 26.** There will also be another chance to give feedback in the fall.

<u>Visit publicinput.com/bikebaltoregion to get involved today!</u>

#### **★ CLOSED COMMENT PERIODS ★**

# **PRG: STONEY RUN (PHASE 2)**

In May, we asked folks about 4 different options for where the Patapsco Regional Greenway: Stoney Run Trail should go. Over 130 people shared nearly 100 comments and over 1,000 survey responses.

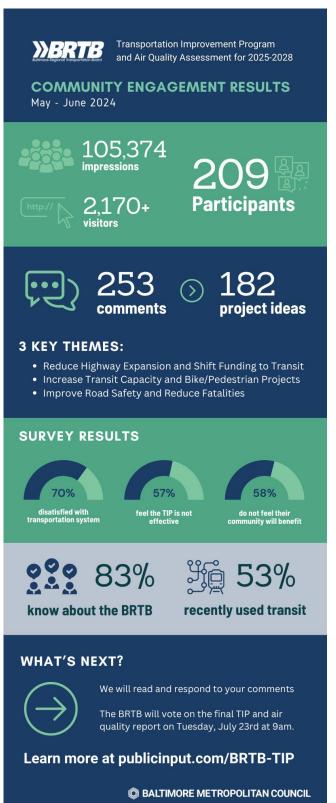
- √ 89% support the project
- √ 68% support the stream alignment
- √ 60% oppose the Race Road option

### Top Concerns:

- ✓ Where the trail will go (trail alignment)
- ✓ Safety and separation from traffic
- ✓ Minimize on-road segments
- ✓ Address high-speed traffic
- ✓ Connect to transit and key locations
- ✓ Preserve environment and scenic quality
- ✓ Maintenance

Visit <u>publicinput.com/PRG</u> to see full results! Responses to comments coming soon.





# OVER 250 COMMENTS RECEIVED ON BRTB'S \$4.5 BILLION TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

A comment period closed on June 17 on a \$4.52 billion transportation investment program for the next 4 years. BMC held two virtual meetings on June 10.

We advertised the plan and reached over 105, 000 impressions. Over 2,170 people visited the project page to learn more and 209 people participated.

Over 250 comments were shared by stakeholders. Some 182 project ideas were also submitted.

# 3 key themes:

- Reduce highway expansion and shift funding to transit
- Increase transit capacity as well as bike and pedestrian projects
- Improve road safety and reduce fatalities

70% express dissatisfaction and feel there are significant issues with the transportation system that negatively impacts daily life and need to be addressed urgently. Only 5% reported being satisfied with transportation infrastructure meeting basic needs.

57% felt the TIP is Not Effective, 42% Somewhat Effective, and only 1% believe it is Very Effective.

58% have doubts, or do not believe their community will benefit from these projects. About 14% believe their community will benefit to some extent or significantly.

Staff have <u>mapped all projects into an interactive GIS map</u>. Ideas can also be seen on the publicinput project page.

Learn more and see comments and project ideas at <u>publicinput.com/BRTB-TIP</u>.

