



Baltimore
Metropolitan
Council

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
CONTACT: Laura Van Wert, 410-732-9564

BRTB CONSIDERS UPDATING TIMELINE FOR MD 32 WIDENING PROJECT

BALTIMORE, MD (March 4, 2016) – The Baltimore Regional Transportation Board (BRTB) seeks public comments for one amendment to *Maximize2040: A Performance-Based Transportation Plan* and the *Amended 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)* for Maryland State Highway Administration's (SHA) **MD 32: MD 108 to Linden Church Road project**.

Public comments will be accepted until **Friday, April 8**. The BRTB is scheduled to vote on the TIP amendments on **Tuesday, April 26, at 9 a.m.**

Maximize2040 is the region's long-range transportation plan developed by the BRTB. *Maximize2040* serves as the blueprint for fiscally constrained transportation planning in the Baltimore region from the years 2020 through 2040. The plan also establishes the region's broad transportation goals and performance measures, which now serve as guiding principles as the region plans and carries out projects.

The *Amended 2016-2019 TIP* is the list of regional transportation projects requesting federal funding in the near term. It includes more than **\$2.5 billion** in proposed federal, state and local money for highway, transit, bicycle and pedestrian projects during the next four years. The funding goes towards maintaining, operating and expanding the transportation system. The TIP is fiscally constrained.

Amendments occur in the TIP because of changes to project scope and funding or changes to federal documentation policies. Public comment periods and meetings aim to keep communication open regarding these changes. Please visit the following link to learn more about the BRTB's summary information of the project and changes, as well as the public review and comment:

- [**MD 32: MD 108 TO LINDEN CHURCH**](#)

###

The Baltimore Metropolitan Council (BMC) works collaboratively with the chief elected officials in the region to create initiatives to improve the quality of life and economic vitality. BMC, as the Baltimore region's council of governments (COG), hosts the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board (BRTB), the federal metropolitan planning organization (MPO), and supports local government by coordinating efforts in a range of policy areas including emergency preparedness, housing, cooperative purchasing, environmental planning and workforce development.

BMC's Board of Directors includes the executives of Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Harford and Howard counties, the mayor of the City of Baltimore, a member of the Carroll County Board of Commissioners, a member of the Maryland State Senate, a member of the Maryland House of Delegates, and a gubernatorial appointee from the private sector.