



Bethesda CAT Meeting
Bethesda/Chevy Chase High School
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When will construction on the Lynn Drive underpass begin?

Response: Once tree clearing and drainage installation are complete according to Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) regulations, construction of the walls can begin. The estimated timeframe is spring 2019.

What is the status of white papers residents requested six-nine months ago?

Response: If you have not received information regarding your property please contact Carla Julian at 240-424-5325 or outreach@pltcllc.com.

How will pedestrians access the high-speed elevators in Bethesda?

Response: The elevators can be accessed from Woodmont Plaza, Elm Street park or the Elm Street, Bethesda South entrance.

When the trestle bridge at Rock Creek Park is removed will residents lose access to the trail in the park?

Response: The Purple Line is working with the County on pedestrian access. Access will be maintained with short closures to the park trail when demolition and construction activities deem it necessary for safety reasons.

When construction of the Connecticut Avenue bridges begins, where will workers park and what impact will there be to Chevy Chase Lakes?

Response: Along the alignment workers are prohibited from parking on residential streets. At this location, workers park within the project staging area adjacent to Newdale Road.

Please explain in layman's terms where will the Purple Line grade begins its descent eastbound towards Jones Mill heading toward Rock Creek Park?

Response: The existing trail grade is approximately a match to the Purple Line's grade to a point around 600 feet east of Coquelin Run where it starts descending. By the time the PL gets to Jones Mill Road, the depth of cut is approximately 21 feet.

Who are the parties responsible for determining haul routes?

Response: Purple Line haul routes were established in coordination with Montgomery County and the Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration (MDOT SHA). If you believe haul route protocol is being violated, please contact Carla Julian at 240-424-5325 with a detailed description of the vehicle and time of the incident.

What is the process for requesting a County Noise waiver?

Response: Purple Line noise waivers in this area are requested through Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection. For more information on County noise monitoring and waivers please visit <https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/DEP/contact/construction-noise.html>

Will the Purple Line notify CAT members when the project applies for noise waivers?

Response: The project will notify the public of upcoming construction work through the notification system. If you would like to receive electronic construction notifications, please register at <https://www.purplelinemd.com/construction/>. The project does not distribute noise waiver notices through the project notification system, but Carla Julian will work with CAT members as requested.

Does the Purple Line have a model of the operational noise report? Will it be available for public review?

Response: The Operational Noise Report is currently under review with MDOT MTA and is not finalized. This document is not typically available to the public but the MTA is aware that it has been requested by the Town of Chevy Chase.

How will people get from street level to hi-speed elevators at the Bethesda Red Line Metro connection?

Response: There are three ways for access: street access via Woodmont Plaza, stairs and elevator from Elm Street, and elevator and escalator from the new Carr building atrium.

For the Jones Mill Road closure, what is being done to secure access to the ManorCare facility?

Response: Pedestrian access will be maintained to the facility and PLTC is required to provide ADA compliant sidewalks and temporary access if needed.

Please provide an update on the Connecticut Avenue overpass status and what is the expected timeframe to underground the PEPCO overhead lines?

Response: Work at this location is dependent on the relocation of PEPCO's overhead lines and PLTC is hoping to start this utility work in the Winter of 2019. Undergrounding work is expected to take 6

months to complete once it starts and will be done with temporary lane closures during both day and night work hours. PLTC will start the bridge construction as soon as the utilities are relocated out of the way of the work. This could happen as early as Spring 2019.

How long will Elm Street be shut down?

Response: Elm Street closure to be maintained for duration of Purple Line Construction.

For the Traction Power Substation (TPSS), is there a concern with the noise?

Response: TPSS have a maximum level of 60 dB per the technical provisions.

Is PLTP asking for noise waivers in this CAT area?

Response: Yes, for certain types of construction work and at specific locations within the Bethesda/Chevy Chase CAT area.

Is there a published schedule for construction of the entire segment?

Response: The schedule is not currently published but we are hoping to make an updated overall construction schedule in the near future.

MD SHA is currently planning/working on repaving Connecticut Avenue. Will this work be coordinated with the Purple Line, so Connecticut is not dug up or repaved twice?

Response: No paving is planned for Connecticut Avenue in relation to Purple Line construction.

What is Purple Line grade above street level at Connecticut Avenue?

Response: Grade is approximately 25' above street level which meets SHA standards for clearances. There is 16'9" clearance between the bottom of the bridge and street level.

If traveling on a bicycle from Connecticut Avenue to Bethesda will there be continuous access?

Response: Access all the way to the Air Rights building on the new Capital Crescent Trail (CCT) will be provided. Bicyclists will need to ride the CCT overpass connection above the Purple Line tracks into Elm Street Park. Eventually Montgomery County DOT is planning to provide an underground connection from the park to Woodmont Street as part of another project.