



DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND



NOISE WAIVER CERTIFICATE

ISSUED TO: Purple Line Maryland Transit Solutions c/o Christopher Stokes  
*Owner/Operator*

Valid From: 10/30/2023

Valid To: 11/29/2023

Type of Waiver: Temporary

Authorizing:

After-hours construction activities along University Blvd. from Piney Branch Rd. to New Hampshire Ave., Silver Spring. The work will include underground utility installations, construction of retaining walls, curbs, and sidewalks, road paving, and landscaping. This will allow flexibility to extend working hours as needed to complete critical operations begun during normal daytime hours. The ability to work after-hours will facilitate completion and reduce open trench excavation times which will enhance pedestrian and commuter safety. The work shall be performed under the following conditions:

1. This waiver is only applicable to work that is started during daytime hours and must be extended past 5:00 p.m. for safe completion.
2. All reasonable efforts should be made to perform the noisiest activities during daytime hours.
3. All machinery and trucks utilized at this job site shall be outfitted with OSHA approved white noise back-up alarms. Approved non-tonal signaling methods may also be used.
4. Trucks and equipment shall be operated at the minimum power level necessary to complete the task in a safe manner.
5. Noise mitigation barriers should be erected around loud pieces of stationary machinery (e.g., generators, concrete pumps, etc.).
6. Machinery shall be equipped with well-maintained and effective mufflers and moving parts shall be well lubricated to avoid unnecessary noise from squeaking parts. Machinery access doors and hatches should remain closed when the units are in operation and all machinery should be operated at the minimum level necessary to get the job done. Minimize banging, clattering, buzzing and other annoying types of noises.
7. Onsite communications shall be done without shouting.
8. Select equipment for low noise emission design.
9. Slamming of tailgates, concrete chutes, and the intentional dropping of heavy objects are prohibited.
10. All onsite staff, including delivery and truck drivers, should be notified of noise mitigation procedures prior to work.
11. Where possible, the local power grid should be used to reduce the use of internal combustion powered machinery.
12. Prolonged idling of machinery and vehicles must be avoided. If machinery or vehicles are not utilized for long periods, they should be shut off to reduce idling noise.
13. Regular communications must be provided to nearby residences, so they are aware of the work schedule and expected noise related to construction activities.
14. Noise levels should be monitored at regular intervals at sensitive nearby receptors. The decibel levels and locations of the monitoring sites should be kept in a log on site, which shall be available for inspection and review upon request.
15. A log must be maintained on site containing detailed information concerning any complaints received regarding noise from this construction project.
16. DEP may suspend or revoke this approval for any violation of the terms and conditions and may make modifications to the terms and conditions based on the results of noise monitoring or the noise impact of certain activities. (Case 20232359)

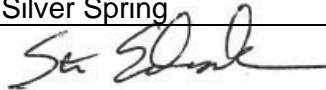
**(This certificate must be available at the work site)**

**Location of Work:** University Blvd. from Piney Branch Rd. to New Hampshire Ave.

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**Town:** Silver Spring **Zip:** 20910

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**Approved By:**  **Date:** 10/27/2023

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Department of Environmental Protection

Cc: Silver Spring Regional Services Center  
MC Police, 3<sup>rd</sup> District, Silver Spring Station  
Christina Contreras, MC DOT

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INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS CERTIFICATE CAN BE OBTAINED FROM  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
2425 REEDIE DR., WHEATON, MARYLAND 20902  
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<https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/DEP/contact/noise-documents.html#wavers>