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Dear Mr. Orrick:

The Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration (MDOT SHA) appreciates your continued participation in the I-495 and I-270 Managed Lanes Study (MLS). As you know, the purpose of the study is to develop a travel demand management solution that addresses the severe congestion travelers face daily on I-495 and I-270 within the study limits.

The Carderock Springs Citizens' Association's (CSCA) concerns continue to be important to MDOT SHA. As we progress toward the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS), we continue to look for ways to avoid and minimize impacts to communities, neighborhoods and sensitive environmental resources. We look forward to your community's participation in the Section 106 process and will ensure that the contacts noted in your letter are included in the ongoing Section 106 consultation process.

The MDOT SHA is still evaluating the locations where sound barriers would be warranted under the build alternatives. That analysis is ongoing and will be provided to the public in the DEIS, planned for release in Spring 2020. We will be happy to discuss the findings of the evaluation with your community at that time. In addition, a series of public hearings will be held to take formal public comment on the DEIS, also in Spring 2020. The MDOT SHA will ensure the public, stakeholders and elected officials are adequately notified of the publication of the DEIS as well as the locations, times and dates of the public hearings, well in advance.

The MDOT SHA values your feedback and will continue to provide CSCA and the public opportunities to be involved in this important environmental study. Questions or comments on the MLS may be provided anytime via MLS-NEPA-P3@mdot.maryland.gov and updated information is available on the I-495 and I-270 P3 Program website at www.495-270-P3.com.

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Thank you again for providing your comments and concerns. We appreciate hearing from you. If you need further assistance, please contact Ms. Caryn Brookman, MDOT SHA I-495 and I-270 P3 Environmental Manager, at 410-637-3335 or via email at cbrookman@mdot.maryland.gov. Ms. Brookman will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



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