

**MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION**
Receipt of Location Approval
US 219 Improvement Project
I-68 to Old Salisbury Road



The Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration (MDOT SHA) provides notice that the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) granted Location Approval on July 18, 2017 for Alternative 4 Modified (Interchange Roundabouts with Local and Relocated US 219) and approved the Categorical Exclusion and Final Section 4(f) Evaluation for the US 219 Improvement Project in Garrett County.

Having received location approval, the project now moves from the planning phase into the final design and right-of-way acquisition phases, during which the design builder will further refine the design before starting construction in spring 2018.

Citizen comments provided at and after the February 6, 2017 Public Hearing were evaluated and considered as part of the decision on the selected alternative; Alternative 4 Modified is currently designed to provide a roundabout on both sides of I-68 before becoming a new alignment east of existing US 219. The Public Hearing transcript was previously available for public inspection and review, but can also be found on the project website noted below.

Please address all questions and requests for information to **Karen Arnold, Environmental Manager**, Maryland State Highway Administration, 707 N. Calvert Street, MS C-301, Baltimore, Maryland 21202, by calling 410-545-8510 or toll-free (1-866-527-0502), or email at **karnold@sha.state.md.us**. The Maryland Relay Service can assist teletype users at 711. For more information on this project, visit **www.us219northmd.com**.