



Welcome

Public Hearing for Proposed I-95 Express Toll Lanes Tolling Plan

- This hearing will provide:
 - Information on, and the opportunity to discuss, the proposed mileage rate ranges and pricing periods for the I-95 Express Toll Lanes (ETL) with Maryland Transportation Authority (MDTA) Staff
 - An opportunity to comment for the official record through public or private testimony or written comments
- All comments will become part of the official record, which will be considered by the MDTA Board Members as part of their final decision making process.





Who is the MDTA

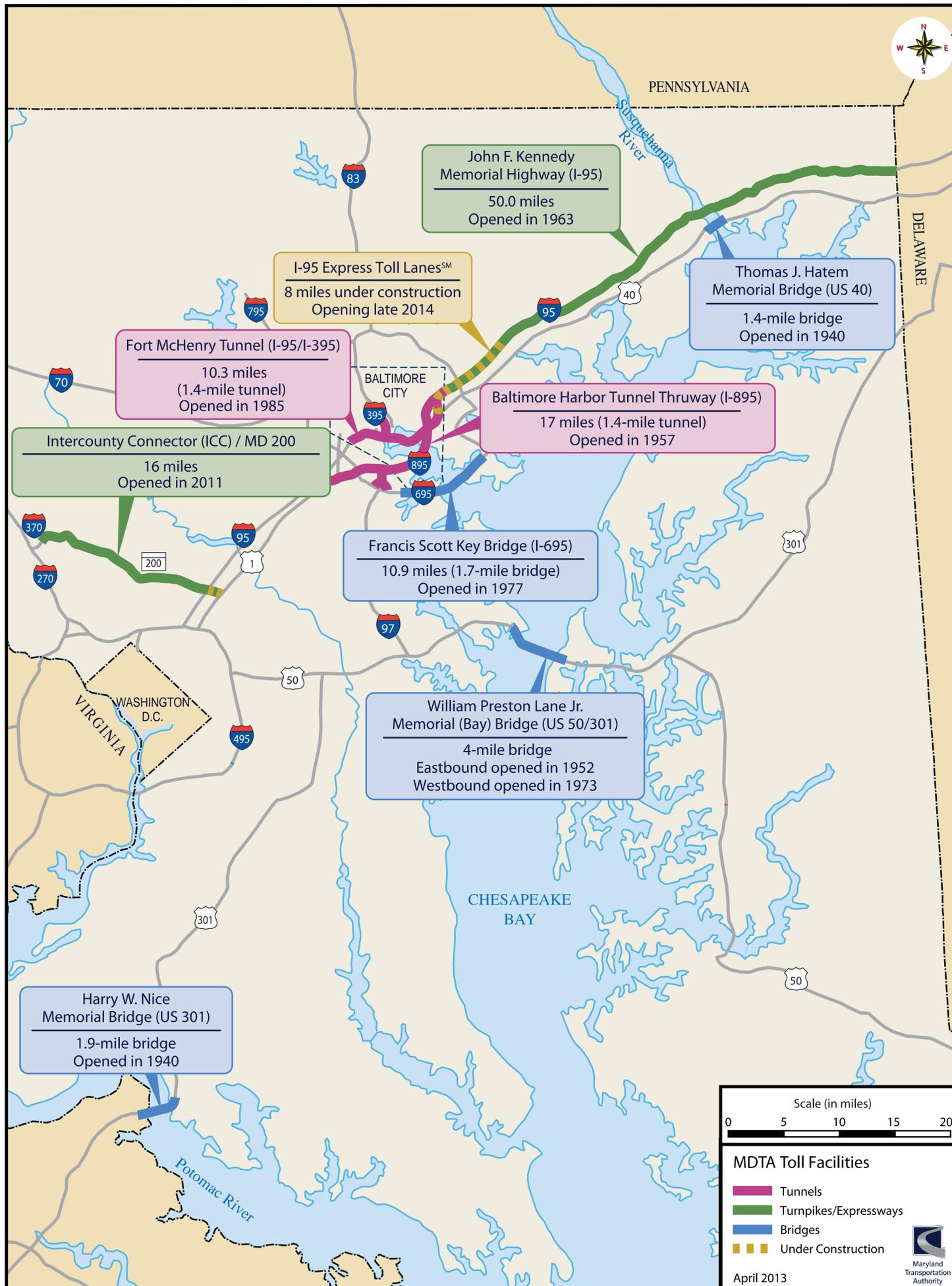
- The Maryland Transportation Authority (MDTA) is the State agency responsible for:
 - Financing, constructing, operating, maintaining, protecting, and improving the State's eight toll facilities
 - Assisting in meeting the State's larger transportation needs by financing revenue-generating transportation projects through the sale of bonds
- MDTA is governed by citizen Board Members appointed by the Governor, and confirmed by the Senate, and chaired by the Secretary of Transportation, James T. Smith, Jr.
 - Peter J. Basso
 - Rev. Dr. William C. Calhoun, Sr.
 - Mary Beyer Halsey
 - William K. Hellmann
 - Arthur Hock
 - A. Bradley Mims
 - Michael J. Whitson
- Bruce Gartner, Acting Executive Secretary of MDTA, oversees daily operations



I-95 Improvements with Express Toll Lanes



MDTA Facilities





What are the I-95 Improvements with Express Toll Lanes?

- \$756 million in highway and safety improvements to I-95

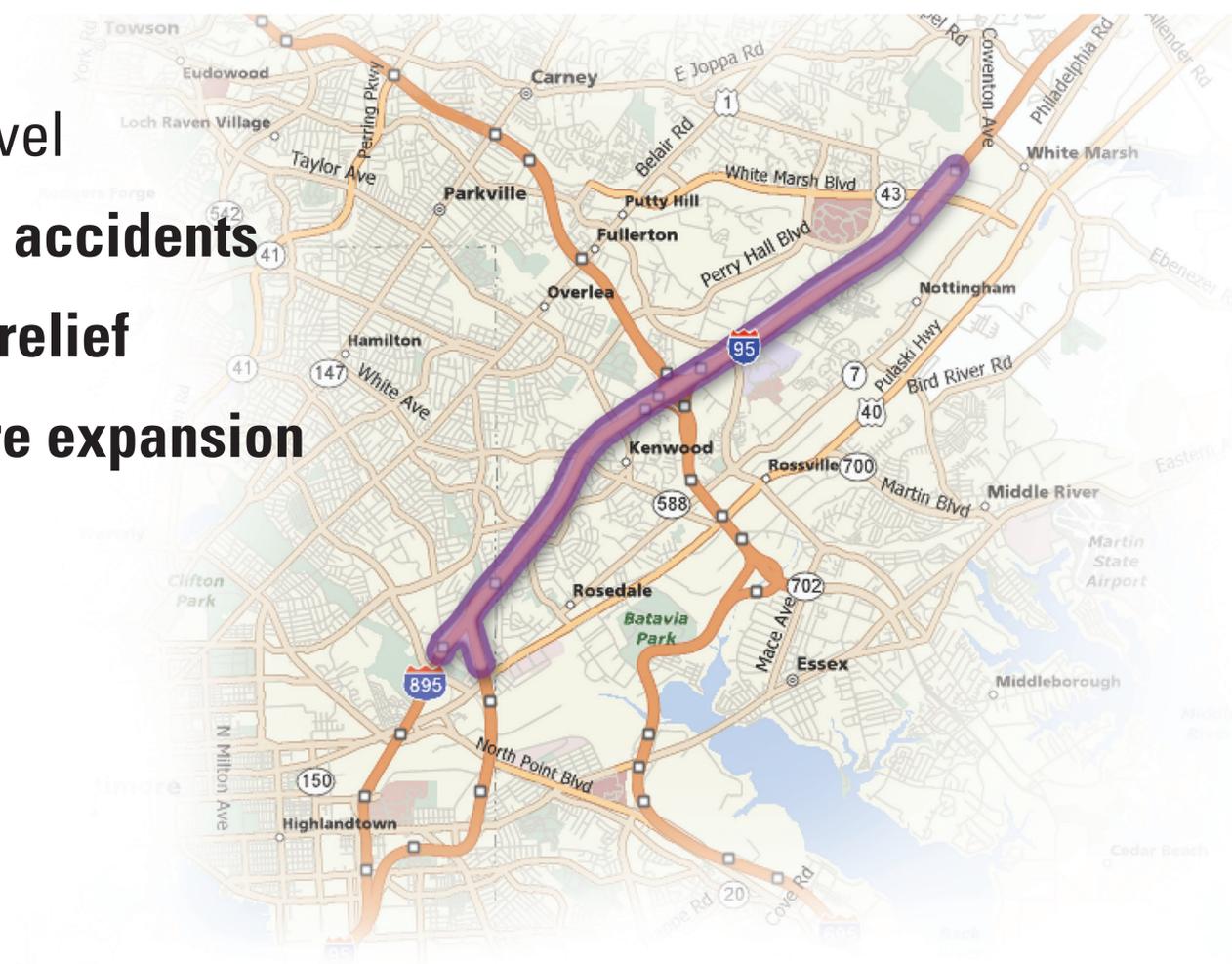
- Realignment of I-895 and I-95 at the split
- Eliminated left exits onto I-695
- Rebuild I-95 interchanges at I-895, I-695 and MD 43
- Replaced two structurally deficient bridges at MD 43 (White Marsh Boulevard).
- Replacement/modification of bridges at:
 - Moravia Road
 - Moravia Park Drive
 - Chesaco Avenue
 - Hazelwood Avenue
 - Kenwood Avenue
 - Lillian Holt Drive
 - Rossville Boulevard
 - Campbell Boulevard
 - Cowenton Avenue
 - Joppa Road

- Two new Express Toll Lanes (ETL) adjacent to four general-purpose lanes in each direction along 8 miles of I-95 between the I-95/I-895 split to north of MD 43



Project Benefits

- The I-95 Improvements with Express Toll Lanes provides benefits to all drivers with:
 - **Safer** travel by eliminating left exits, improving interchanges and reducing congestion
 - **Convenient** travel choices with option of paying a toll to drive in relatively free-flowing lanes or staying in the existing I-95 lanes with no toll
 - **Reliable** travel
 - **Decrease in accidents**
 - **Congestion relief**
 - **Avoids future expansion**

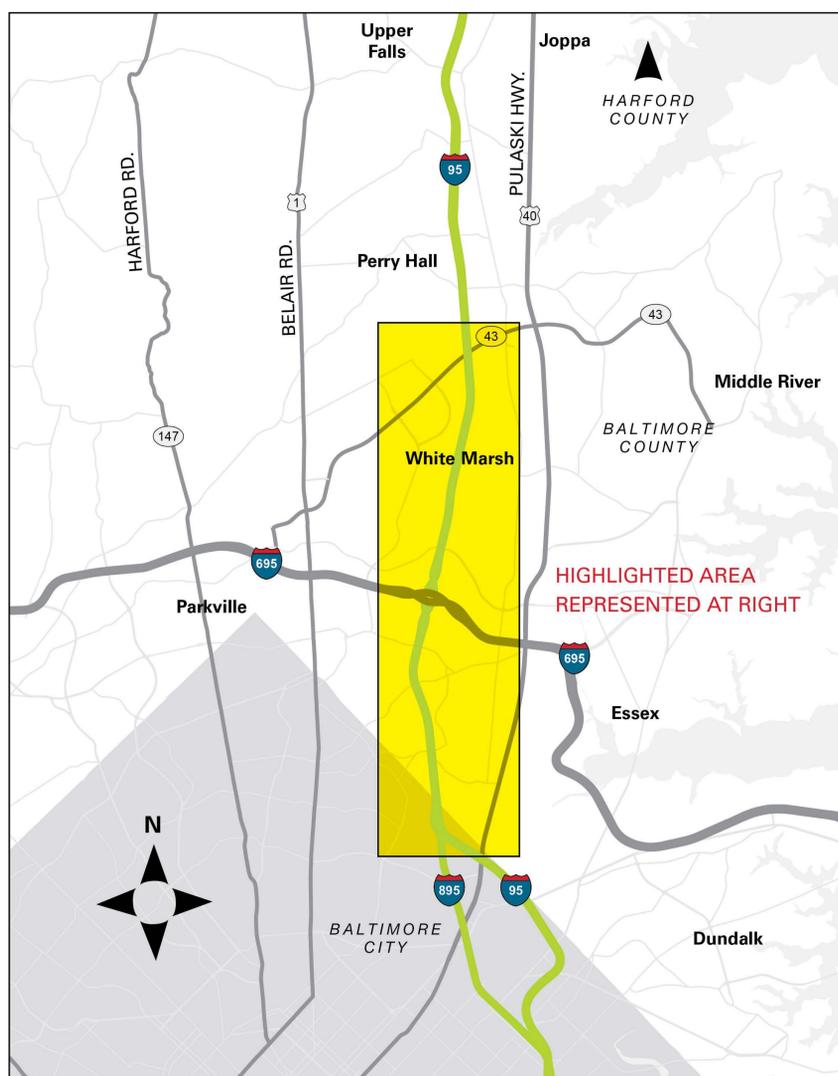




Opening Late 2014

In late 2014*, the ETL will open to traffic from just north of MD 43 in Baltimore County to just past the I-95/I-895 split in Baltimore City.

Access to the Express Toll Lanes



09/25/2013

*Note: The opening date is subject to change.





Why Will the ETL be Tolled?

- The ETL are being built as a toll road to offer a relatively free-flowing travel choice, especially during peak travel periods, by varying toll rates

Where Do Toll Dollars Go?

- All toll dollars collected at Maryland toll facilities go directly back into the operation, maintenance, and improvement of all MDTA facilities
- Toll dollars are NOT shared with the State's General or Transportation Trust Funds or with other state government agencies





Proposed ETL Mileage Rate Ranges

E-ZPass[®] Mileage Rate Ranges*

	2-axle/ motorcycle per mile	3-axle per mile	4-axle per mile	5-axle per mile	6-axle+ per mile
Peak	\$0.25 - \$0.35	\$0.75 - \$1.05	\$1.13 - \$1.58	\$1.50 - \$2.10	\$1.88 - \$2.63
Off-Peak	\$0.20 - \$0.30	\$0.60 - \$0.90	\$0.90 - \$1.35	\$1.20 - \$1.80	\$1.50 - \$2.25
Overnight	\$0.10 - \$0.30	\$0.30 - \$0.90	\$0.45 - \$1.35	\$0.60 - \$1.80	\$0.75 - \$2.25

*Note: 7 miles will be tolled.





Proposed ETL Pricing Periods

■ Peak Periods:

- Southbound: Monday - Friday, 6:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
Saturday, 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Sunday, 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- Northbound: Monday - Friday, 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Sunday, 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

■ Overnight Periods:

- Southbound and Northbound:
Monday - Sunday, 9:00 p.m. - 5:00 a.m.

■ Off-Peak Periods: All other times





Additional Tolling Parameters for Public Comment

On certain holidays and the days immediately before and after, the MDTA will apply the pricing period for the day of the week that most closely resembles the travel patterns during the holiday period. The MDTA Executive Secretary will announce the affected dates and pricing periods that apply for the new year at the December MDTA Board Meeting prior to the start of the new year.





Time of Day Pricing & How it Works

- When the I-95 ETL open in late 2014, they will use a time of day pricing tolling plan
 - Tolls will be higher during peak-travel times and lower when traffic volumes are lower during off-peak and overnight periods
 - To balance travel demands and revenue needs, traffic volumes and toll rates will be reviewed periodically
 - The MDTA Executive Secretary is authorized to make changes within the approved toll rate ranges with at least 10 days notice to the public
 - The MDTA Executive Secretary is authorized to adjust the start and end of pricing periods by up to 60 minutes based on observed traffic patterns
 - Changes to the overall tolling plan, once approved by the MDTA Board, require public hearings and a public-comment period





What Could a Trip on the I-95 Express Toll Lanes Cost?

Possible *E-ZPass*[®] Trip Rates*

	Cars/ Light Trucks/ Motorcycles (2-axle) per trip Min / Max	3-axle per trip Min / Max	4-axle per trip Min / Max	Tractor Trailers (5-axle) per trip Min / Max	6-axle+ per trip Min / Max
Peak	\$1.75 / \$2.45	\$5.25 / \$7.35	\$7.91 / \$11.06	\$10.50 / \$14.70	\$13.16 / \$18.41
Off-Peak	\$1.40 / \$2.10	\$4.20 / \$6.30	\$6.30 / \$9.45	\$8.40 / \$12.60	\$10.50 / \$15.75
Overnight	\$0.70 / \$2.10	\$2.10 / \$6.30	\$3.15 / \$9.45	\$4.20 / \$12.60	\$5.25 / \$15.75

*Based on proposed per mile rate ranges and tolled distance of 7 miles.





How to Pay

The ETL will be an All-Electronic Toll facility, where tolls will be collected at highway speeds as vehicles pass under overhead tolling structures.

There are two ways to pay*:

Pay with *E-ZPass*[®]

- The toll is automatically paid from your E-ZPass account

Pay with Video Tolling (Vehicles without *E-ZPass*)

- The license plate is used to identify the vehicle owner with the Motor Vehicle Administration
- A toll is calculated and you are mailed a Notice of Toll Due (NOTD). Video Tolls are 150% of the base toll (*E-ZPass*), with a minimum surcharge of \$1 and a maximum of \$15.
- You will have 30 days to pay from the NOTD date

*Note: There will be no cash toll collection on the I-95 ETL.





How to Comment

We want to hear from you!

- Provide public or private testimony at this hearing
- Fill out a comment card and leave it at the comment table
- Submit a comment online at **mdta.maryland.gov**
- Take a comment card with you and mail it back to the address on the card

Public comments will be accepted until 5PM on November 4, 2013

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