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Dear Ms. Rosborg and Mr. Ensor:

Thank you for contacting the Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration (MDOT SHA) regarding MDOT SHA's MD 2 and MD 3 feasibility studies. The MDOT SHA values community feedback from organizations such as the Arnold Preservation Council. Both the MD 2 and MD 3 studies are still in the early scoping stage, so your input is very timely.

The goal of MDOT SHA's MD 2 feasibility study is to evaluate what can be done to improve MD 2 safety and operations between MD 10 and US 50/US 301 by maximizing the use of existing infrastructure and staying within existing right-of-way, where feasible. To increase bicyclist and pedestrian safety, the study will include an evaluation of existing conditions and an identification of gaps in the bicycle and pedestrian network. Planning, design, right-of-way acquisition, and construction would follow as resources are made available. The MDOT SHA will consider federal funding such as the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) for potential future phases of the project.

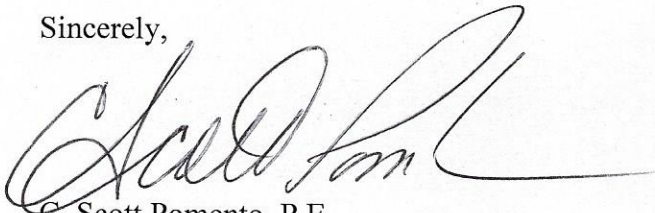
Regarding MD 3, MDOT SHA will be conducting a needs analysis from MD 424 (Davidsonville Road) to I-97/MD 32 to better understand the corridor's safety, bicycle and pedestrian, and operational needs. This analysis's outcome will help to identify the most appropriate limits and scope of a future planning study. As with MD 2, MDOT SHA will consider federal funding such as the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) for potential future phases of the project.

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To better align MDOT SHA roadways with the communities they serve, MDOT SHA recently has focused on ensuring it is designing roads that fit with the communities' land use contexts. The MDOT SHA would take this same approach in Arnold.

Thank you again for your letter. I appreciate hearing from you. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please contact Mr. Eric Beckett, MDOT SHA Planning and Preliminary Engineering Deputy Director, at 410-545-5666, toll-free 1-888-204-4828, or via email at [ebeckett@mdot.state.md.us](mailto:ebeckett@mdot.state.md.us).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Scott Pomento". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

C. Scott Pomento, P.E.  
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cc: Mr. Eric Beckett, Deputy Director, Office of Planning and Preliminary Engineering,  
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