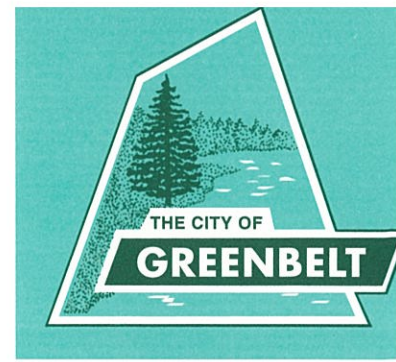


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Members of the Transportation Planning Board,

We are writing on behalf of the residents of Greenbelt to express concern over the inclusion of several MDOT roadway widening proposals for I-495, I-270 and MD 201 in the Vision 2045 constrained long range plan. These proposals would impact our quality of life, with potential degradation to our air quality, increases in our noise levels, and causing the induction of additional traffic near and through our community.

Greenbelt continues to strongly support collaborative efforts to address regional transportation needs and encourages MDOT to thoroughly explore creative alternatives to the I-495, I-270 and MD 201 expansion proposals. We feel that sustainable investments in mass transit such as Metrorail, extended bus service, MARC train service, light rail, bus rapid transit, and path connections for bikes and pedestrians are the best long term uses for our transportation resources.

Thank you for your consideration,

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