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FRA Rail Program Delivery

Meeting

Maryland Moving Forward

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The NEPA Process is Working

Following concerns raised by the public and agencies, the Baltimore-Washington Superconducting Maglev (SCMAGLEV) Project Team eliminated all alternatives that would have utilized the WB&A Trail corridor.

Keeping the public informed about the progress of the project, MDOT Maryland Transit Administration has shared the results of recent analysis that reduced the number of alternatives being carried forward. Alternatives now under consideration include:

- Alternative E1 – Amtrak Modified (Working with FRA to Eliminate)
- Alternative J – Baltimore-Washington Parkway Modified East
- Alternative J1 – Baltimore-Washington Parkway Modified West
- No-Build Alternative

Hyperloop

Governor Larry Hogan is supporting the Boring Company's pursuit of Hyperloop deployment in Maryland.

In October, MDOT State Highway Administration (MDOT SHA) offered contingent approval for a Utility Easement and/or Permit to allow The Boring Company to begin construction within the state-owned right-of-way of the Baltimore Washington Parkway (BWP).

MDOT SHA is excited about exploring this opportunity and interested in working with The Boring Company to gather additional details towards permit approval.

Focused on the Fantastic Future

There are no guarantees, but MDOT is compelled to consider the possibilities for Maryland.

Need to work with the private sector and also evaluate new technologies for potential future public benefit.

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