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## RESOLUTION

### BY THE WILMINGTON AREA PLANNING COUNCIL (WILMAPCO) TO APPROVE CHANGES TO THE FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM IN CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND

**WHEREAS**, the Wilmington Area Planning Council (WILMAPCO) has been designated the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for Cecil County, Maryland and New Castle County, Delaware by the Governors of Maryland and Delaware, respectively; and

**WHEREAS**, the Maryland State Highway Administration has requested approval by the MPO to change of functional classification to Belvidere Road in Cecil County; and

**WHEREAS**, these changes have been reviewed and recommended for approval; and

**WHEREAS**, these changes stay within the functional classification mileage guidelines set by the FHWA;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Wilmington Area Planning Council does hereby approve the changes to the Functional Classification System in Cecil County, Maryland

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Date:

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John Sisson, Chairperson  
Wilmington Area Planning Council

## Maryland Functional Classification Change Request Form

1. Date request submitted 06/10/2020	County CECIL	Municipality/City <small>If applicable</small>
2. Road name BELVIDERE ROAD	Route number <small>If applicable</small> C0087	Begin point/ End point Theodore Road/US 40 Pulaski Highway
3. Current Classification Local Road	Proposed Classification Major Collector	Mileage to be re-classified 2.6 miles
4. Description of road segment <small>(include proposed or existing)</small>  The existing Belvidere Road is approximately 22'-0" wide, carrying two, 11'-0" wide, lanes of traffic, in each direction. The existing roadway has no shoulders, is undivided, and provides uncontrolled access. The existing ADT along Belvidere road is approximately 1800 vehicles/day. Trucks account for a significant portion (approximately 20 percent) of the volume along Belvidere Road.		
6. Reason for change in classification <small>(include state project number if applicable)</small>  The current classification for Belvidere Road is "local road". Based on FHWA's VMT and Mileage Guidelines for Collectors and Local Roads, the existing traffic volume of 1800 vehicles/day and the existing lane width of 11'-0" warrants a reclassification of Belvidere Road from "local road" to "major collector". Belvidere Road provides both land access and traffic circulation to commercial and industrial areas, including York Building Product's Mining operation north and south of Interstate 95, Medline Industries, Lidl, GE's Appliance Distribution Center, and Perryville Cold Storage, north of US 40. Belvidere Road distributes and channels trips approximately 2.6 miles between Theodore Road (a collector route) to the north and US 40 (an arterial route) to the south.		
8. City/County DOT signature  <i>Jennifer Callaghan, PE</i> <i>Project Manager</i>		Date  <i>06/10/2020</i>
9. MPO Board signatures <small>(include if applicable)</small>		Date
10. MDOT SHA Office of Planning and Preliminary Engineering (OPPE) Director Signature		Date

**Classification change request steps:**

1. County/City coordinates request with MDOT SHA OPPE.
2. County/City submits functional classification change request form with sections 1-8 completed and returns form to MDOT SHA OPPE.
3. MDOT SHA OPPE coordinates request with MPO (if applicable)
4. MPO returns completes section 9 and returns form to MDOT SHA OPPE (if applicable)
5. MDOT SHA OPPE completes section 10 and submits form along with supplemental map and mileage tables to FHWA for review and approval.

**Table I**  
**Cecil County – Rural Highway Mileage by Functional Classification**  
**State Highway, State Toll, County, and Municipal Systems**

Functional Classification	Interstate	Other Freeways & Expressways	Other Principal Arterial	Minor Arterial	Major Collector	Minor Collector	Local	Total Urban
Existing Miles	7.304	3.140	8.493	43.921	26.836	72.402	340.259	502.355
Existing %	1.45%	0.63%	1.69%	8.74%	5.34%	14.41%	67.73%	100%
Proposed Belvidere Road	-	-	-	-	+2.6	-	-2.6	-
Proposed Miles	7.304	3.140	8.493	43.921	29.436	72.402	337.659	502.355
Proposed %	1.45%	0.63%	1.69%	8.74%	5.86	14.41%	67.22	100%

**Table II**  
**FHWA Guidelines for Rural Systems in Urban States compared to**  
**Cecil County Rural Highway System (%)**

	FHWA* Guidelines	Cecil County's Urban System Before	Cecil County's Urban System After
Interstate	1-2	1.45	1.45
Other Freeways & Expressways	0-2	0.63	0.63
Other Principal Arterials	2-5	1.69	1.69
Minor Arterials	3-7	8.74	8.74
Major Collectors	10-17	5.34	5.86
Minor Collectors	5-13	14.41	14.41
Local	66-74	67.73	67.22

\*Source: Highway Functional Classification Concepts, Criteria and Procedures (2013, U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration).

