



U.S. Department
of Transportation
**Federal Highway
Administration**

Office of the Administrator

1200 New Jersey Ave., SE
Washington, DC 20590

April 29, 2024

Mr. Paul J. Wiedefeld
Transportation Secretary
Maryland Department of Transportation
7201 Corporate Center Drive
Hanover, MD 21076

Dear Secretary Wiedefeld:

Thank you for your letter of April 19, 2024, requesting the designation of the 18.8-mile segment of Maryland State Route 695 from the northern interchange of I-95/MD-695 near Rossville, Maryland, running clockwise and terminating at the interchange of I-97/MD-695 as I-695. Our Maryland Division Office has approved the design exceptions related to the segment and confirms that the segment meets the standards of the Interstate Highway System.

The segment is a logical addition to the Interstate System. I find the request meets the requirements for addition to the Interstate System under Title 23, United States Code, Section 103(c)(4)(A). Based on our reviews and the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials' (AASHTO) approval of the numbering, I hereby approve the addition of this segment to the Interstate System.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Shailen P. Bhatt".

Shailen P. Bhatt
Administrator

cc: Kimberly Floyd
(AASHTO)