

Application for Temporary Noise Waiver June 25, 2024

The Department of Environmental Protection is reviewing an application for a Temporary Noise Waiver as allowed under the Montgomery County Noise Control Ordinance, Chapter 31B, Section 11(a). This ordinance sets the guidelines for permissible noise levels and the conditions under which temporary noise waivers can be granted. The Department will receive comments on the application for at least ten (10) days after distributing this notice.

Schuster Concrete Construction is requesting a temporary noise waiver for after-hours work by Digging and Rigging, Inc., related to installing a tower crane. A large mobile crane will be set up and used to erect a tower crane at the Pinnacle North Bethesda Project, 11555 Old Georgetown Rd., North Bethesda. The work hours requested are 5:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., and the crane installation is scheduled for mid-August. The early start time is designed to minimize impacts to residents, pedestrians, businesses, and vehicle traffic.

The application and related documents are available for public inspection and may be viewed on the Department's website, specifically the Noise Waivers & Suppression Plans page, at https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/DEP/contact/noise-documents.html#waivers.

Comments, questions, or requests to examine documents related to the noise waiver application may be directed to depnoisewaiver@montgomerycountymd.gov. To ensure your feedback is considered, please include 'Temporary Noise Waiver Application' in the subject line of your email. We appreciate your input and will respond to all inquiries in a timely manner.

Martin, Steve

From: DEPNoisewaiver

Sent: Thursday, June 20, 2024 8:39 AM

To: Edwards, Stan; Martin, Steve; Ekstrom, Gretchen **Subject:** FW: Temporary Noise Waiver Application [#377]

From: Temporary Noise Waiver Application <no-reply@wufoo.com> **Sent:** Thursday, June 20, 2024 8:39:10 AM (UTC-05:00) Indiana (East) **To:** DEPNoisewaiver <depnoisewaiver@montgomerycountymd.gov>

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Choose type Construction – all types private (\$350 + \$25 per additional source/site)

of activity at

First Noise

Source/Site *

Total Fee * 350

Person Andrea Manzano

Submitting

Application:

Phone: * 443-738-1933

Email: * projects@schusterconstruction.com

Company: * Schuster Construction

Project David Zaka

Manager

Name *

Phone

443-363-9620

Number

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Name of

Schuster Construction

Business or

Organization

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Business



Address *

3717 Crondall Lane Suite B

OWINGS MILLS, Maryland 21117

United States

Work

11555 Old Georgetown Rd, North Bethesda, MD 20852

location

Address. *

Description of noise source(s) or activity(s) that will create noise *

We are looking to erect a tower crane. The tower crane erection activities will occur within the project site. Tractor trailers will bring the tower crane components and sections to the jobsite. A mobile crane will be used to set the tower crane in place. The hauling activity (i.e. truck traffic for pieces of the tower crane) as well as the assembly of the mobile crane is a relatively quiet activity, the erection of the crane generates more noise but is minimal. Our company trucks utilize white noise backup alarms. Radios will be used to eliminate shouting amongst the workers.

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Work days: *

Project Start Date Monday, August 19, 2024

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Project End Date Friday, September 13, 2024

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Work Hours 5:00:00 AM

From: *

Work Hours To: * 9:00:00 PM

Why is a Temporary Noise Waiver being requested? *

A 5:00am start is being requested in order to truck the tower crane components/sections to the jobsite while minimizing impact to the area by avoiding peak traffic hours. This will help in maintaining the flow of traffic in the area. The tower crane erection activities will occur within the project site and create minimal noise disturbance to the local community. The assembly of the mobile crane is a relatively quiet activity while the erection of the tower crane generates more noise. By performing the quieter work before 7:00am, we are hoping to minimize the overall impact to the surrounding residents and businesses. Please note the dates requested are a range of dates due to unforeseen factors that might affect the operation such as weather conditions. The operation will take two days, we requested more than two days in case the weather is such that we cannot perform the activities and need to move the operation to the next business day.

How does the work benefit the residents that will be impacted by the noise? *

In an effort to minimize the effects of the tower crane erection activities on the surrounding residents and businesses, we are requesting permission to haul in the crane parts and assemble the mobile crane prior to 7:00am. This activity under perfect conditions can take upwards of 14 hours, this will in turn in maximize our chances of being able to complete the operation in a more expedited time than if we conducted this operation under the normal working hours. This will reduce the number of days the residents and businesses are affected by this operation.

Describe the steps that

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Our plan to mitigate noise is to use personnel that are experienced in performing this work under these conditions. Digging and Rigging, Inc. will be assisting in assembling the crane. They have performed similar operations under similar conditions countless times with a great track record. Additionally, we will develop a route to allow tractor trailers to pull in and out of the jobsite in order to eliminate the need for backing up and in turn minimizing the use of white noise back-up alarms.

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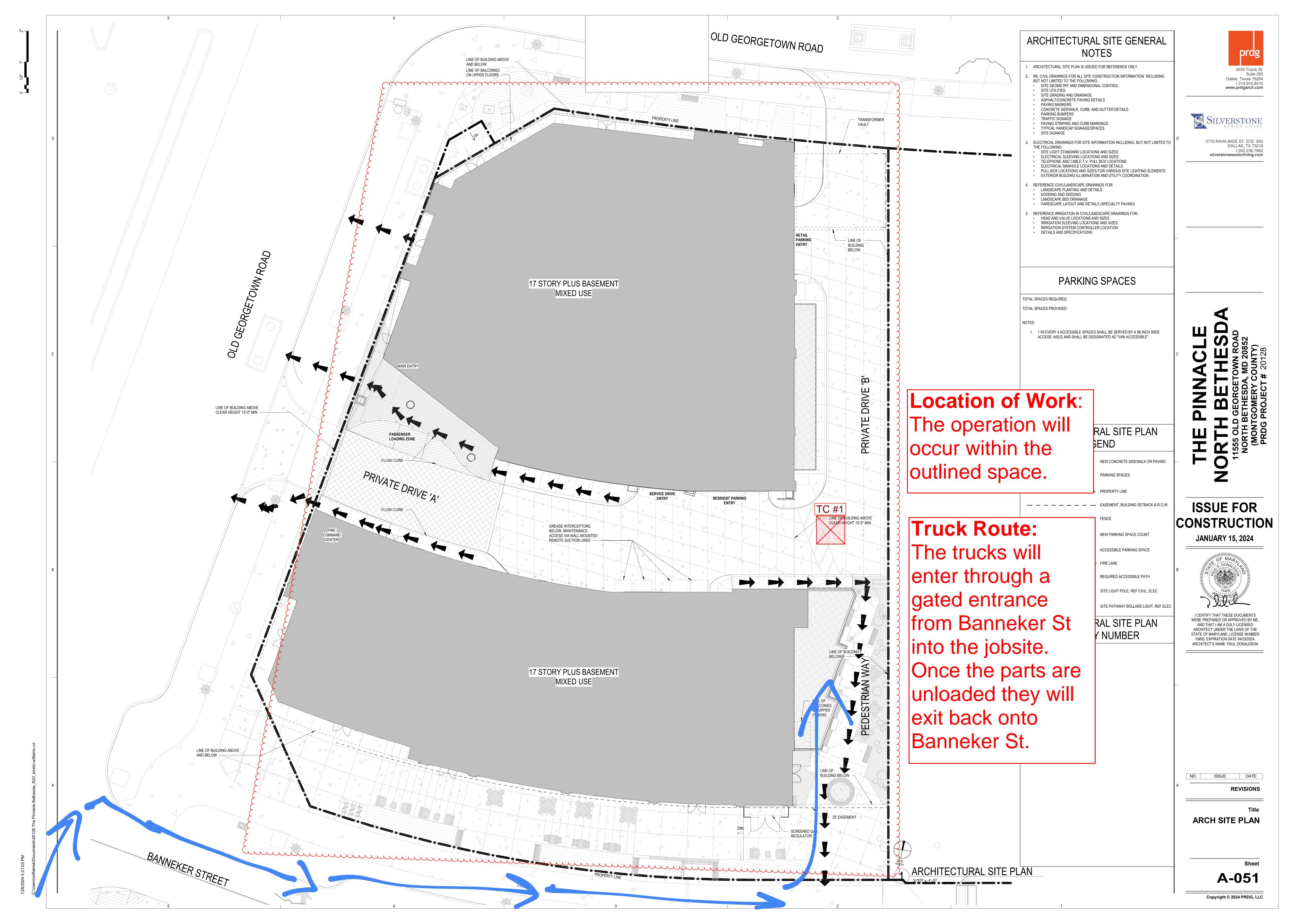
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DGS Construction, LLC, t/a Schuster Concrete Construction PO Box 604, Owings Mills MD 21117 P | 877-248-7557 F | 410-363-3810

Dear Community Members,

This is to notify you of an upcoming noise variance waiver for construction activities occurring at 11555 Old Georgetown Rd.

The work will take place between the dates of **8/19/24** and **9/13/24**, between the hours of **5:00AM** and **9:00PM**. The operation should take two days, the date range shown is due to the possibility of inclement weather and as such we would not be able to perform the tower crane activities.

The construction activity is related to the erection of a tower crane. The bulk of the work will consist of the delivery of crane sections by flatbed trailer trucks, assembly of the erecting crane and the operation of the erecting crane.

The tower crane erection activities will occur within the project site and create minimal noise disturbance to the local community. The assembly of the mobile crane is a relatively quiet activity while the erection of the tower crane generates slightly more noise. The tractor trailers are to pull in and follow a route designated to eliminate the need for backing up and in turn minimizing the use of white noise back-up alarms. The crews onsite have been instructed to work as quickly and as quietly as possible. Schuster does not anticipate the noise from these activities to be blaring or create significant disturbance to the neighboring residences.

Should you have any concerns or complaints, please contact our Project Manger at the number listed below.

Project Manager: David Zaka

Cell: 443-422-4841

Thank You,

David Zaka Project Manager

Dzaka@schusterconstruction.com