

Addressing the Purpose and Need

The Proposed Action addresses the Needs by:

- Improving travel speeds from varying between 10 and 15 mph to a reliable 50 mph by eliminating vehicle queues and maintaining a consistent number of travel lanes on I-895 between the K-Truss bridge and the tunnel
- Improving safety by reducing crash risk and MDTA employee exposure to traffic flows
- Reducing risks of bridge strikes and associated repairs
- Reducing fuel consumption and vehicle emissions by providing more constant travel speeds

