

You will notice the bridge is boxed in. This is a solid piece of concrete extending from the northbound lane to the southbound lane across the median. As you approach, you will notice a number of places where there is no guardrail. There is no guardrail here [indicating] in the median. There is no guardrail to protect a vehicle from the bridge parapet or from the end wall or from running off the road down into the creek. There is no guardrail on the far end of the bridge on the median side, northbound. There is no guardrail in the approaching southbound lane in the median.

There is no guardrail at the end of the bridge in the southbound lane. And here we have the ever-present sign mounted on a 4- to 6-inch steel pole embedded in concrete. There is some guardrail here on the southbound shoulder. You see guardrail in the southbound lane at the end of the bridge, and this approach to the bridge parapet from the north. You see guardrail starting at the northbound end of the bridge.

This guardrail is not anchored to the bridge parapet at any location in this structure. You will notice they did carry the shoulder through this bridge structure on the Virginia section of the beltway.

This is a bridge over the Capital Beltway. You are on the approach to the George Washington Parkway. The George Washington Parkway is up here [indicating]. These are the southbound lanes of the beltway from Maryland, crossing into Virginia, passing under this bridge.

To orient you again, the Cabin John Bridge would be to your left. This photo looks toward Washington on the George Washington Parkway, and this is the approach. You will notice the bridge parapet. There is no guardrail here at this end and nothing to prevent a vehicle from getting down into this lane of traffic below.

The same situation exists on the far end of the bridge, and, in addition, we have a speed sign which says "Speed Limit 40 Miles Per Hour," mounted on a 4- to 6-inch steel post. And there is the same situation as regards the guardrail, there is none.

Mr. W. MAY. Mr. Prisk, there is no question that there should be a guardrail at this location.

