



Route 1 and Courthouse Road Intersection Improvement Project

US Route 1, Stafford County, Virginia

Location & Design PUBLIC HEARING

June 9, 2016
5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

ABC Conference Room
George L. Gordon, Jr., Government Center
1300 Courthouse Road Stafford, VA 22554

State Project: 0001-089-R32, P101,
R201, C501; UPC 103085

Our Project Team, comprised of Stafford County, VDOT and staff from Bowman Consulting Group, Ltd., is available to respond to questions and concerns. It is Stafford County's duty to ensure that all members of the community have the opportunity to participate in public decisions on transportation systems and projects affecting them.

Stafford County ensures nondiscrimination in all programs and activities in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

Welcome

Thank you for attending tonight's location & design public hearing to discuss the preliminary design to widen and improve a portion of Jefferson Davis Highway, US Route 1.

This project extends from 0.17 miles north of the intersection with Hope Road (Rt. 687) to 0.2 miles south of the intersection with Courthouse Road (Rt. 630) for a total project length of 0.62 miles.

The completion of this project will provide dedicated left turn lanes from Route 1 onto Courthouse Road as well as Bells Hill Road and Hope Road. Traffic signals will also be updated to provide concurrent movements and eliminate the current, inefficient split-phase timing. These improvements will provide a safer roadway for the traveling public and reduce delays.

Public meetings are beneficial to citizens and Stafford County alike. They enable the County's engineers to report on facts established by their studies and to obtain citizens' comments. We look forward to working with you as the project moves forward. Thank you for participating in tonight's Route 1 and Courthouse Road Intersection Improvement Project Public Hearing!





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Project Description & Design Features

The Route 1 and Courthouse Road Intersection Improvement Project will widen Route 1 from the intersection with Bells Hill Road and Hope Road to 0.2 miles south of the Courthouse Road intersection in order to provide dedicated left turn lanes. The project design and construction will be completed in accordance with VDOT requirements using a combination of County and VDOT funds. VDOT will be responsible for future maintenance of the roadway and associated features.

The new roadway will meet current VDOT standards (GS-5) for an Urban Principal Arterial roadway and will utilize a 40 mph design speed. The proposed typical section will consist of four 11' travel lanes and a 12' left turn lane with curb and gutter. A raised concrete median will separate northbound and southbound traffic. Pedestrian accommodations are also being incorporated into the project in the form of a 8' sidewalk on both sides of the roadway. The overall length of this project is approximately 0.62 miles.

Improvements also include constructing a dedicated right turn lane on eastbound Courthouse Road and lane reassignments to provide separate left, thru, and right turn lanes on westbound Courthouse Road.

Traffic Data

This segment of Route 1 carried 16,000 vehicles per day (vpd) in 2014. It is anticipated that traffic volumes will increase to 38,300 vpd by 2040.

Environmental Considerations

Pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding between the Secretariats of Transportation and Natural Resources regarding compliance with the requirements of the Code of Virginia 10.1-1188(b), VDOT has completed the State Environmental Review Process (SERP) to identify potential environmental concerns associated with the project. Through coordination with local, state, and federal agencies, database searches, and onsite inspections designed to address the potential concerns raised by the SERP, the County has determined that this project will not significantly impact water quality, threatened or endangered species, or other natural, cultural, or recreational resources. Documentation of the SERP and follow-up coordination is available for your review at the public hearing.

Permits will be required for minor wetlands and stream impacts and will be obtained from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality. Based on the information in Virginia Department of Historic Resources (VDHR) and County databases along with additional field investigations it is anticipated that the project will have No Adverse Effect on cultural resources. Final concurrence from the VDHR will be required.

Preliminary Cost Estimate

The estimated total project cost, including design, construction, right-of-way acquisition, and utility relocation, is \$13.2 million.

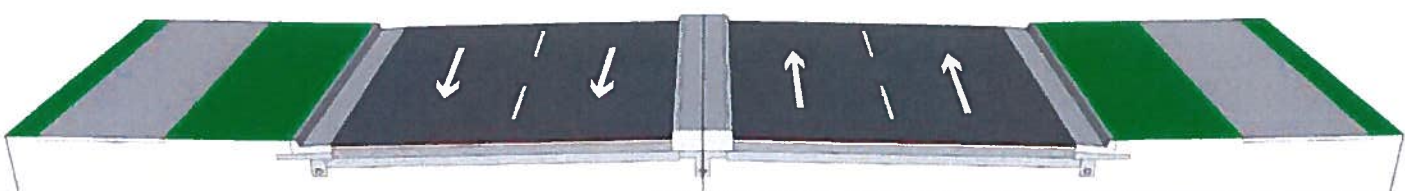
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Project Location Map



Typical Section



2'	8'	8.5'	2'	11'	11'	4'	11'	11'	2'	8.5'	8'	2'
	Sidewalk		CG-6	Southbound	Southbound	Var.	Northbound	Northbound	CG-6		Sidewalk	
Proposed R.O.W. Variable												

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What's Next?

Ten (10) days after this public meeting, the public comment period will close on June 19, 2016.

Stafford County will review and evaluate any information received as a result of the Public Hearing.

Submission of Comments

Public meetings are beneficial to citizens and Stafford County alike. They enable the County's engineers to report on the facts established by their studies and to obtain citizens' comments. Comments made as a result of this meeting will be considered and used to further develop the design. A comment sheet has been provided, as part of this brochure, to assist you in making your comments. A collection box is by the door for your convenience. Comments may also be emailed to aowski@staffordcountyva.gov (please be sure to include "Route 1/ Courthouse Road Intersection" in the subject line), mailed or dropped off up to ten (10) days after this meeting, ending June 19, 2016, at the following address:

Mr. Alex Owskiak, Project Manager
Stafford County
Department of Public Works
1300 Courthouse Road
P. O. Box 339
Stafford, Virginia 22555-0339

Project Schedule

Begin Right-of-Way Acquisitions	Fall 2016
Utility Relocations	Fall 2017
Begin Construction	Fall 2018

Right-of-Way Requirements

Several commercial displacements and/or relocations are anticipated at this time. As the project develops and the design is finalized, some additional right-of-way and easements may be required beyond the proposed or existing right-of-way shown on the plans. Property owners will be informed of the exact locations and use of the easements during the right-of-way process prior to construction. Questions regarding right-of-way acquisition should be directed to:

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The plans will be available for review in the Stafford County Department of Public Works, Transportation Office on the third floor of the George L. Gordon, Jr., Government Center at 1300 Courthouse Road, Stafford, VA 22554 and at the Engineering Center Building in the VDOT Fredericksburg District Office, located at 87 Deacon Road, Fredericksburg, VA 22405.

