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Comments may be submitted orally or in writing at the public hearing; by mail to Justin Cooner, Project Manager, 1601 Orange Road, Culpeper, VA 22701 or by email to Justin.Cooner@VDOT.Virginia.gov.

Comments must be postmarked, emailed or delivered to VDOT by **Monday, May 9, 2022** in order to be included in the public hearing record.

Visit the project webpage for more information: www.virginiadot.org/projects/culpeper/route-3-mcdevitt-drive-roundabout.asp

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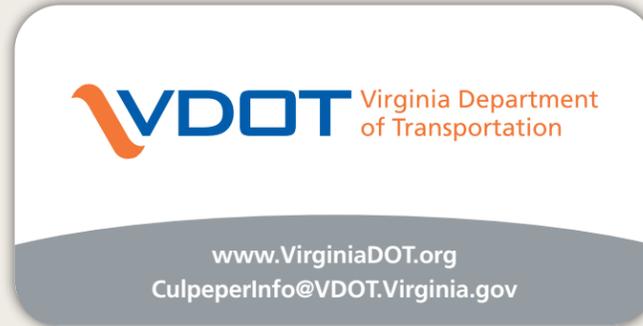
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DESIGN PUBLIC HEARING

Rt. 3 (Germanna Hwy.) at McDevitt Dr., Town of Culpeper Construction of Roundabout

Thursday, April 28, 2022, 5-7 p.m.
Inclement weather date: Thursday, May 5, 2022

VDOT Culpeper District Office Auditorium
1601 Orange Road
Culpeper, VA 22701



Public Meeting

Welcome to the Virginia Department of Transportation's design public hearing on the proposed project to reconstruct the existing intersection of Route 3 (Germanna Highway) and McDevitt Drive in the Town of Culpeper as a roundabout.

This public hearing is being held to provide an opportunity for any person, acting on his/her own behalf or representing a group or governing agency, to give VDOT comments and/or suggestions on the proposed project.

VDOT strives to ensure that all members of the community have the opportunity to participate in public decisions on transportation projects and programs affecting them.

VDOT representatives are present to discuss the project and answer your questions.

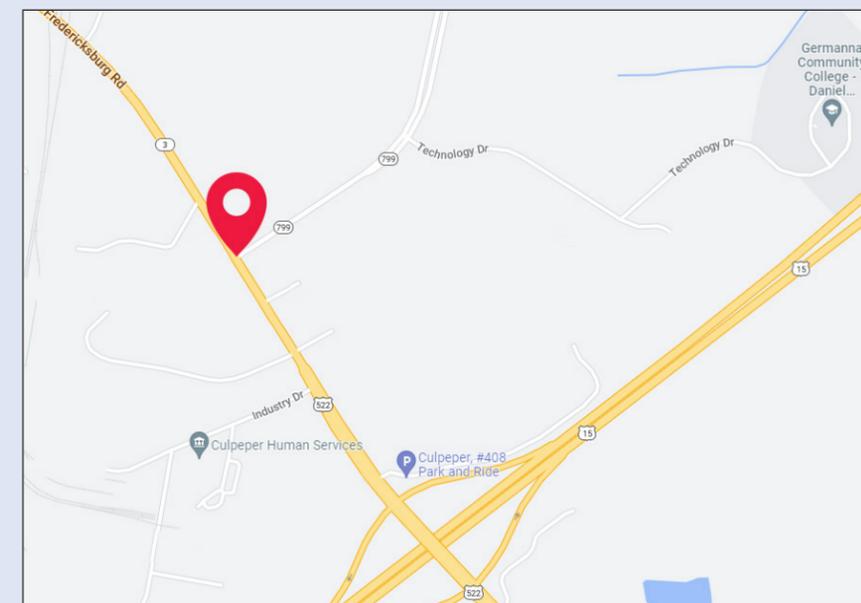
A comment sheet is included in the meeting materials and your input is encouraged. All oral and written comments received on this project will be included in a transcript for review by VDOT personnel, citizens and other interested parties.

Project Overview

Anticipated Cost – \$6.2 million

Purpose – Reconstruct the intersection of Route 3 (Germanna Highway) and McDevitt Drive as a single-lane roundabout to improve safety and traffic flow.

Anticipated Schedule – Public comment ends May 9, 2022; advertisement fall 2024; construction complete spring 2025 to winter 2026



State Project: 0003-204-180, P101, R201, C501
Federal Project: STP-068-7(050) UPC: 115474

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

VDOT proposes to reconstruct intersection of Route 3 (Germanna Highway) and McDevitt Drive in the town of Culpeper as a roundabout. In the current configuration, traffic turning from McDevitt Drive onto Route 3 is controlled by a stop sign, while traffic on Route 3 is free-flowing.

According to crash data recorded between 2016 and 2020, there were a total of 25 crashes within the intersection area. Of these, 18 were angle crashes and 19 resulted in an injury.

To improve motorist safety and traffic efficiency at this location, the project will reconstruct the intersection as a single-lane roundabout.

Roundabouts are designed to remove conflicts that arise from left-turn movements at traditional stop-controlled intersections.

Roundabouts are also proven to reduce crash frequency by about 80 percent as well as crash severity.

In 2018, the town of Culpeper applied for funding through the **SMART SCALE** process to reconstruct the intersection of Route 3 and McDevitt Drive as a single-lane roundabout.

With this project, a sidewalk is proposed along the southeast quadrant of the intersection, adjacent to the northbound travel lanes on McDevitt Drive.

Approximately 8,500 vehicles use Route 3 near the intersection, according to recent data. The traffic count on McDevitt Drive is about 5,100 vehicles per day.

Project Graphic



Estimated Project Cost

Total cost:
\$6,200,000

Engineering of roadway plans:
\$1,200,000

Right of way acquisition and utility relocation:
\$1,200,000

Construction:
\$3,800,000

Cost is subject to change as the design is developed.

Anticipated Schedule

The following schedule has been proposed:

Public hearing: **April 28, 2022**

Public comment period ends: **May 9, 2022**

Right of way acquisition and utility relocation: **Spring 2023**

Project advertised for construction bids: **Fall 2024**

Construction completion: **Spring 2025 to Winter 2026**

Project schedule is subject to change.

Environmental Review

VDOT's Culpeper District Environmental office has performed environmental reviews and coordination to obtain information about environmental resources in the project vicinity; to provide natural and historic resource agencies an opportunity to review and comment on the project during its development; and to identify opportunities for avoidance, minimization and mitigation of potential environmental impacts.

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) is applicable to this project and required documentation has been developed in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration and in accordance with federal guidelines.

All required environmental clearances and permits will be obtained prior to commencement of construction. Strict compliance with all environmental conditions and commitments resulting from regulatory approvals and implementation of VDOT's specifications and standard best management practices will protect the environment during construction.

Additionally, in compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106 and 36 CFR Part 800, information concerning the potential effects of the proposed improvements on properties listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places are available for review.

Civil Rights

VDOT ensures nondiscrimination and equal employment in all programs and activities in accordance with Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

If you need more information with regard to your civil rights on this project or special assistance for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency, contact the project manager listed on the back of this brochure.

Right of Way

The reconstruction of the existing intersection will not require the displacement of any families, businesses or non-profit organizations.

As the project is further developed, additional right of way for utility relocation or construction may be required beyond the proposed limits shown on the public hearing plans.

Information about right of way purchase is discussed in VDOT's Right of Way and Utilities brochure, "A Guide for Property Owners and Tenants." Copies of this brochure are available on the **VDOT website** and from any VDOT Right of Way agent.

After the public hearing, information regarding right of way may be obtained from the Right of Way contact listed on the back of this brochure.