







## HARMONY PLACE TRAILER PARK MEETING

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2020 GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC CHURCH 8710 MOUNT VERNON HIGHWAY ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22309

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UPC 107187 Richmond Highway Corridor Improvements





#### **Today's Meeting**

- Project Coordination and Overview
- Roadway Improvements
- Pedestrian Underpasses
- Stormwater Management
- Environmental Assessment
- Noise Analysis
- Harmony Place Trailer Park
- Right-of-Way Acquisition
- Schedule and Funding
- GIS Web Application
- Comments and Questions





#### **Project Coordination**



Embark Richmond Highway is an initiative focused on creating a multimodal future for Richmond Highway Corridor where residents, workers, and visitors can walk, bike, or drive to the places they want to go. The components of the Embark Richmond Highway project include:



#### **ROAD WIDENING**

- ⇒ Fairfax County-led components of EMBARK are providing the <u>vision</u> for the design of the widening of Richmond Highway from Jeff Todd Way to Sherwood Hall Lane.
- ⇒ Fairfax County Board of Supervisors approved the Embark Comprehensive Plan Amendment on March 20, 2018
- ⇒ Coordination between state and local agencies occurs regularly at project progress meetings and during informal discussions and mini-workshops.
- ⇒ VDOT maintains Richmond Highway and makes final decisions considering the positions of its partners and the public
- ⇒ Fairfax County Board of Supervisors will be asked to provide endorsement of this project.



### RICHMOND HIGHWAY CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS www.virginiadot.org/richmondhighway

#### **Project Overview**

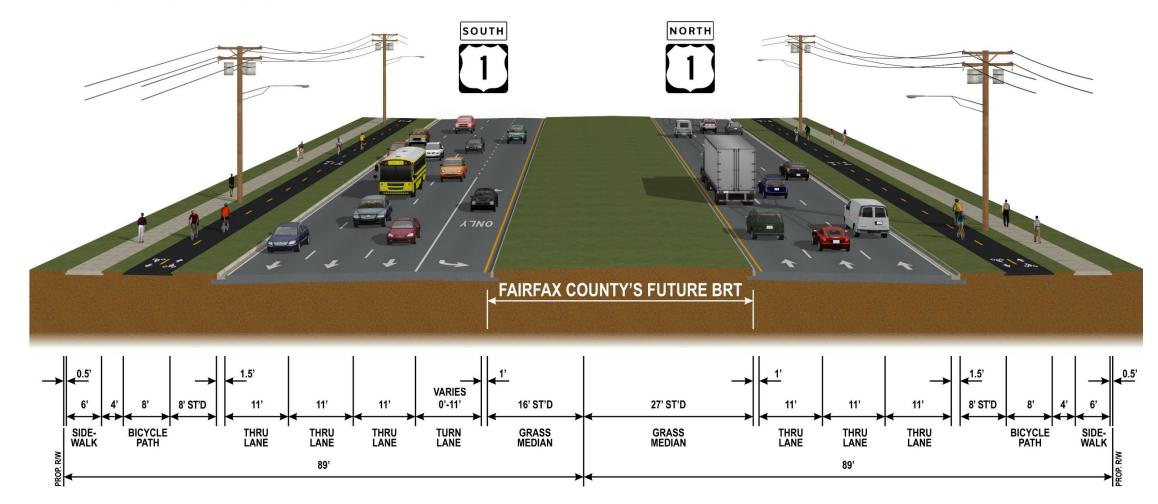
- Widening of Richmond Highway (US Route 1) from four lanes to six lanes
  - ➤ Jeff Todd Way to Sherwood Hall Lane
  - > Approximately 3 miles
- > Safety improvements
- Congestion relief
- > Intersection improvements
- Median reservation for future Fairfax County Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)
- Sidewalks and separate bicycle paths on both sides of road
- > Three bridge replacements
- Potential noise walls
- Utility relocations
- > Stormwater management







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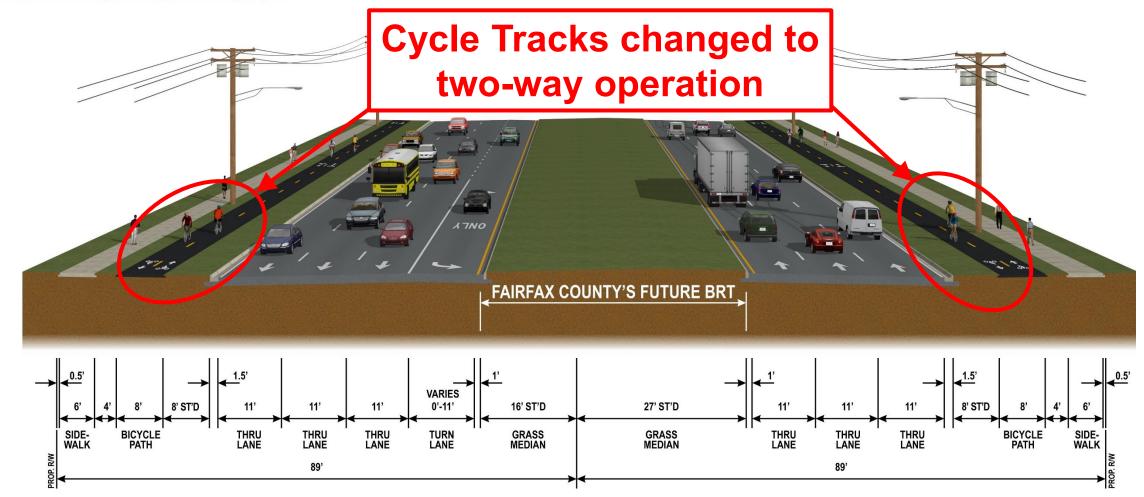


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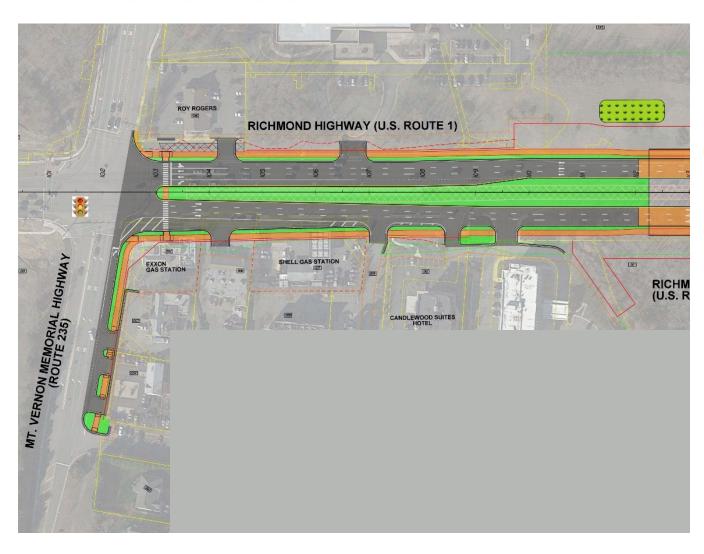
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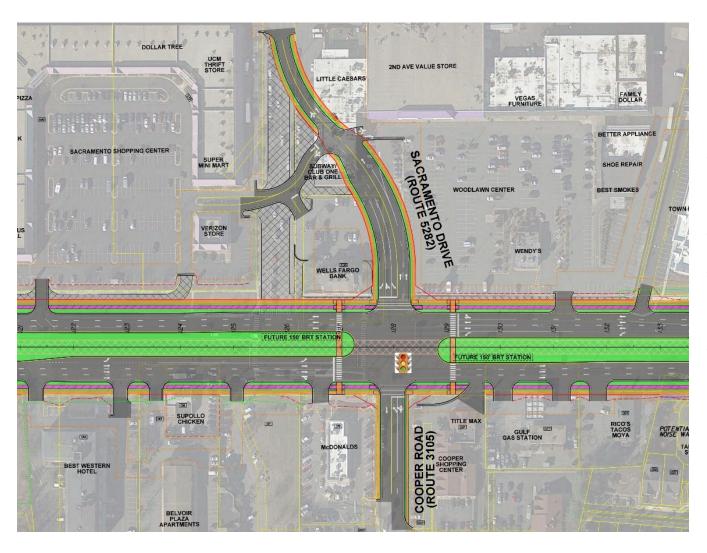




## Mt. Vernon Memorial Highway / Jeff Todd Way

- Six Lanes along Richmond Highway
- Allows adjustments for future BRT accommodations
- Provides exclusive right-turn lane along Mt. Vernon Memorial Highway

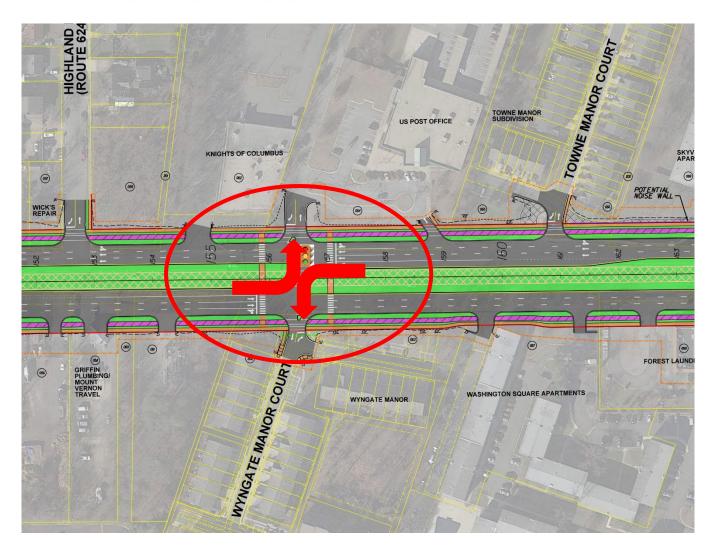




### Sacramento Drive / Cooper Road

- Realign Sacramento Drive to meet Cooper Road
- Single, traditional intersection
- Requires removal of several Woodlawn Center businesses
- Consistent with Fairfax County Comprehensive Plan



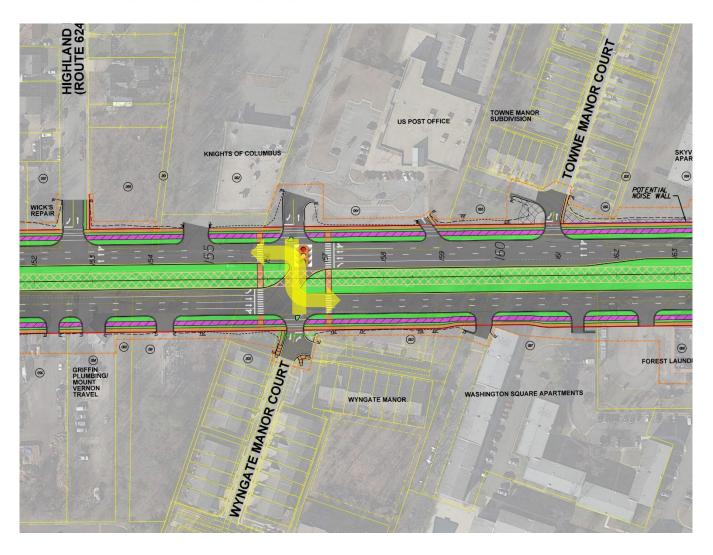


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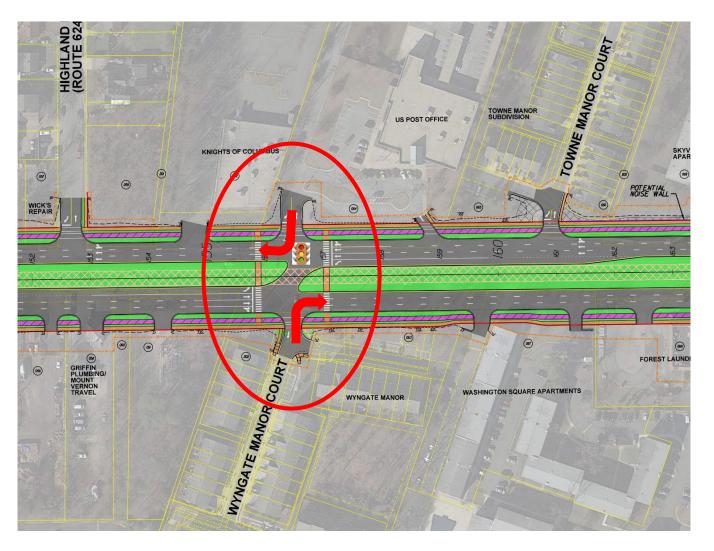


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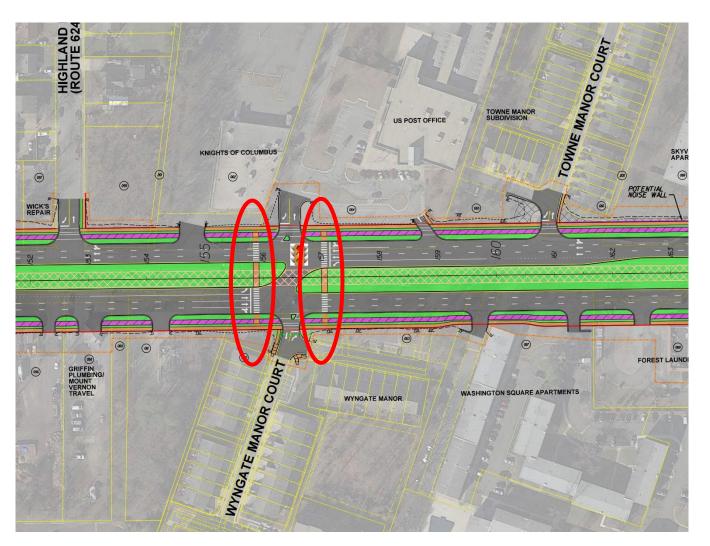


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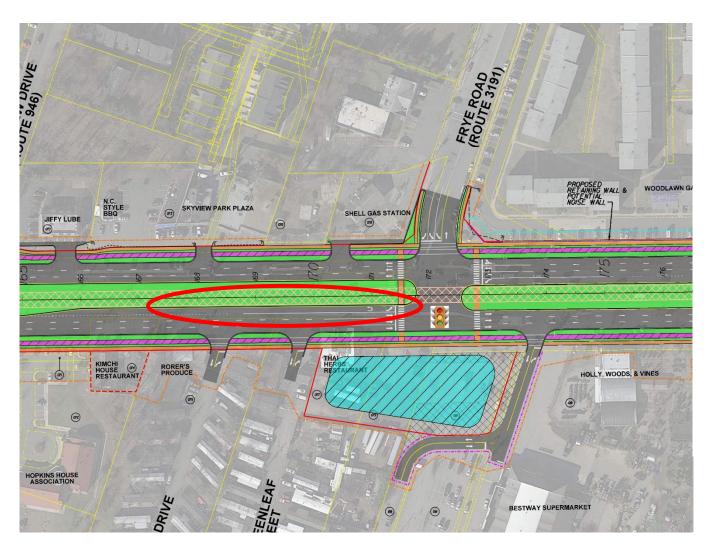


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- Signalized pedestrian crossing







## Modified Intersection Frye Road / Bestway Entrance

- Single northbound left-turn lane (previously dual-left)
- Dual-left no longer needed with addition of USPS signal
- Realigning Master Roofing and Siding / D.A.M. Garage entrance for stormwater pond



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Avenue / Mohawk Lane

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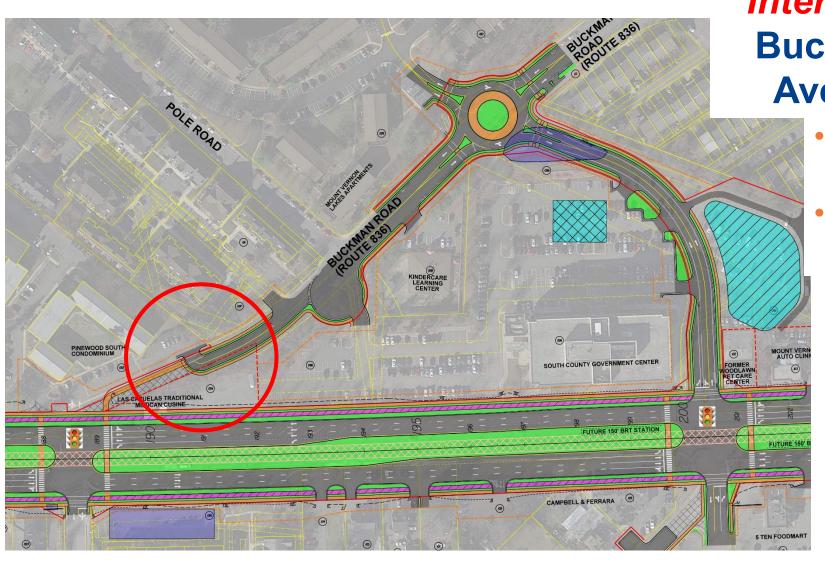


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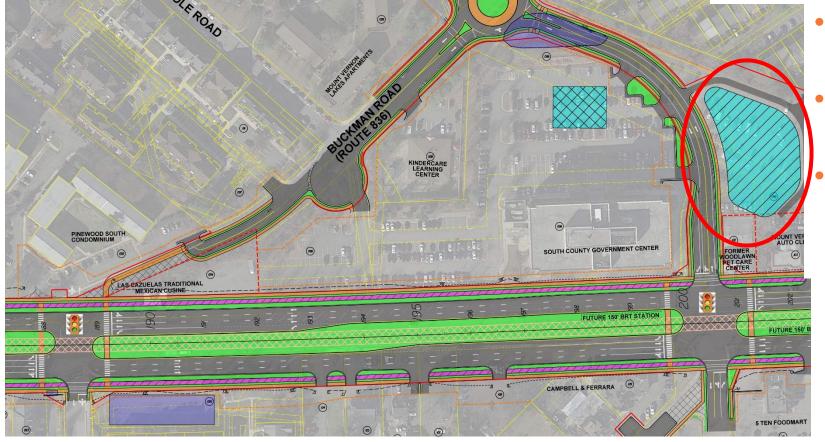
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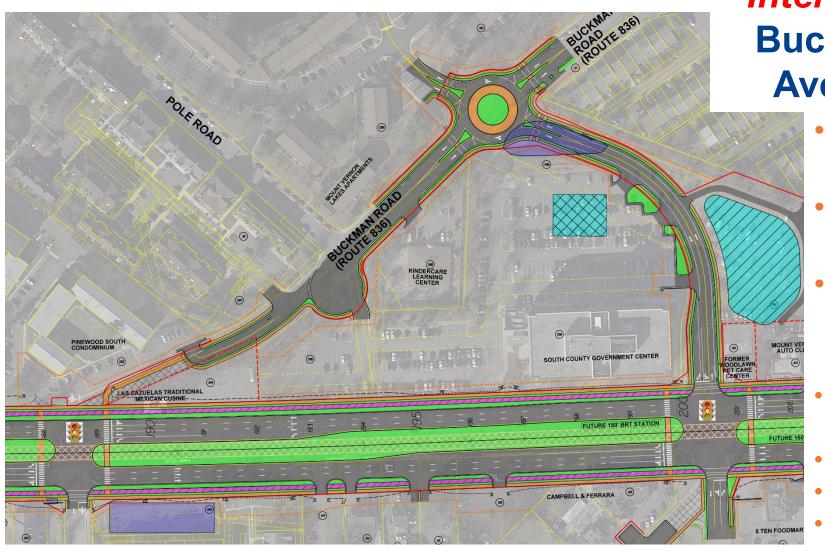
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- Realign Buckman Road to Mohawk
  Lane via roundabout
- Realign intersection to Radford Ave
- Cul-de-sac along Buckman Rd
- Close Washington Avenue at Mohawk Lane with turnaround





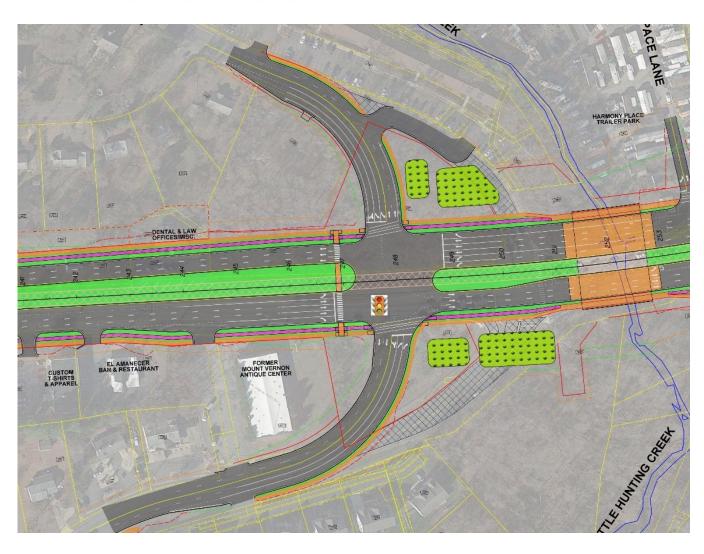


### Russell Road / Reddick Avenue

- Realigning Reddick Avenue to align with Russell Road
- Dual left-turn lanes along Russell Road
- Single left-turn lane along Reddick Avenue







## Buckman Road / Mt. Vernon Highway

- Realign intersection 200 feet south of existing
- Dual left-turn lanes southbound to Mt. Vernon Highway
- Dual left-turn lanes from Buckman Road
- Dual right-turn lanes from Mt.
   Vernon Highway
- Pedestrian crossings across east, south and west legs of intersection





#### **Pedestrian Underpasses**



## Dogue Creek and Little Hunting Creek

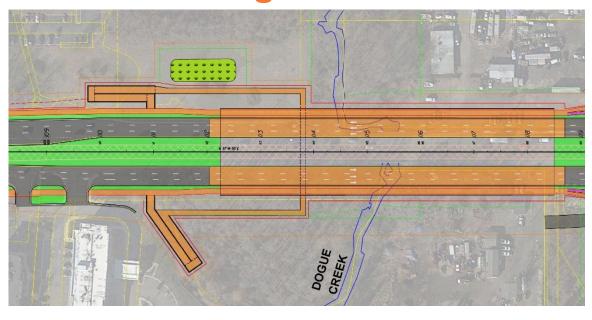
- Provides crossing of Richmond Highway at separate elevation
- No pedestrian/vehicle conflicts
- Passes under road adjacent to creeks
- Ramps provided for pedestrian access
- Lighting will be included





#### **Pedestrian Underpass**

#### **Dogue Creek**



#### **Little Hunting Creek**





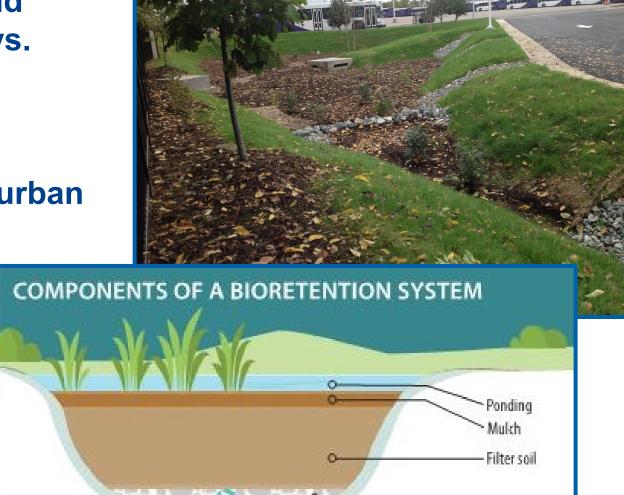


#### **Stormwater Management**

VDOT is required by law to control and treat stormwater runoff from roadways. New, more stringent regulations took effect in July 2014, requiring more sophisticated stormwater treatment facilities, especially in a constrained urban corridor such as Richmond Highway.

These regulations require ponds to be bigger and to detain more water for longer periods of time.

Therefore, more and larger facilities are required for roadway projects



Crushed stone

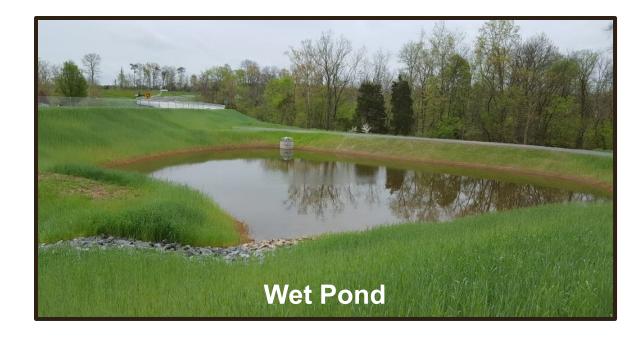
Outlet pipe



#### **Stormwater Management Detention Examples**

- Bioretention
- Wet Pond





Final facility type, location and size to be determined in detailed design.





## **Environmental Assessment National Environmental Policy Act**

# NEPA

- Clean Air Act
- Clean Water Act
- Environmental Justice Executive Order
- Noise ordinances
- U.S. Department of Transportation Act of 1966; Section 4(f)
- Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act
- Contaminated materials and substances
- Endangered Species Act
- Coastal Zone Management Act

- Migratory Bird Treaty Act
- Protection of Wetlands Executive Order
- Patuxent Research Refuge Executive Order
- Floodplain Management Executive Order
- Federal Flood Risk Management Executive Order
- Limited English Proficiency Executive Order
- Military Construction and Appropriations Act
- State Environmental Laws
- Local Environmental Laws





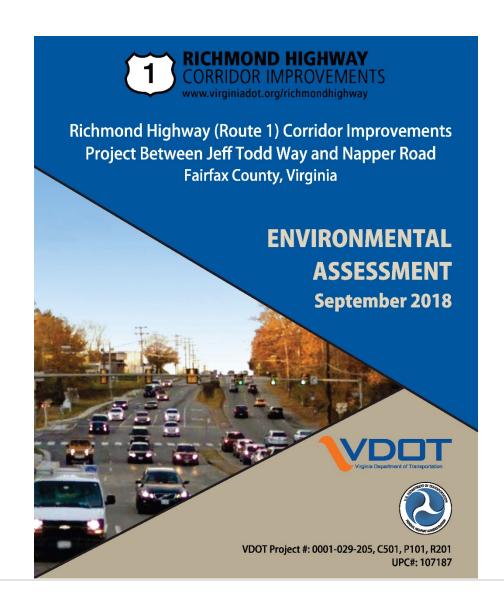
#### **Environmental Assessment**

A NEPA public hearing was held Oct. 29, 2018 and the comment period closed Dec. 6, 2018.

EA Document is available on the website for review.

#### Final Step in NEPA Process:

- Addressing Comments received
- Seeking Finding of No Significant Impact from FHWA, in Winter 2019/2020.







#### **Noise Analysis**

- ⇒ <u>Required</u> to evaluate noise levels on federally funded projects to comply with federal law under the National Environmental Policy Act
- ⇒ Where project noise levels are projected to exceed established criteria, VDOT is required to propose noise mitigation
- ⇒ Sound Barriers will be constructed <u>only</u> if the people who are directly benefited vote for them
- ⇒ Noise Analysis
  - Preliminary and Final
  - Computer model calibrated to existing conditions
  - Based on design year traffic volumes (2045)
  - Loudest hour 3 PM for Richmond Highway





#### **Preliminary Noise Analysis**

Sacramento Jeff Todd Frye Way **Drive** Road **Barrier 1P Talbott Farm Drive Barrier 11P Barrier 12P** Frye Road to **Town Manor Court**  NB Rte. 1 – Barriers 1P, 6P, 7P – 1,009' **Blankenship Street To Sky View Drive**  SB Rte. 1 – Barriers 11P, 12P – 1,004' Approximately 6.5% of total project length **Barrier 7P**  Aesthetic treatments may be considered **Spring Garden Apartments Barrier 6P Buckman Road/ Buckman Road/ Central Avenue to** Mt. Vernon Hwy **Mohawk Lane Shannons Green Way** 



Voting for Barrier G12	
Color	# of Benefited Receptors
Yellow	8
Blue	1

## Only benefited receptors vote

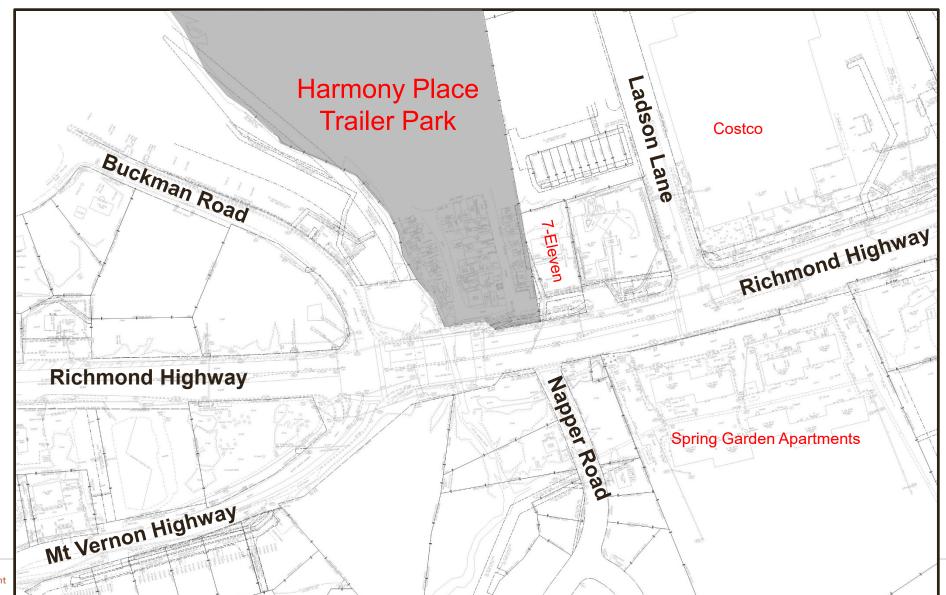
- Yellow Impacted and Benefited is weighted as a 5
- Blue Benefited but not impacted is weighted as a 3
- Green Not Benefited and not impacted – Do not vote
- Rentals Owner and renter votes
- Voting occurs during Final Design 2019 2022

#### **Example – Sound Barrier Voting**



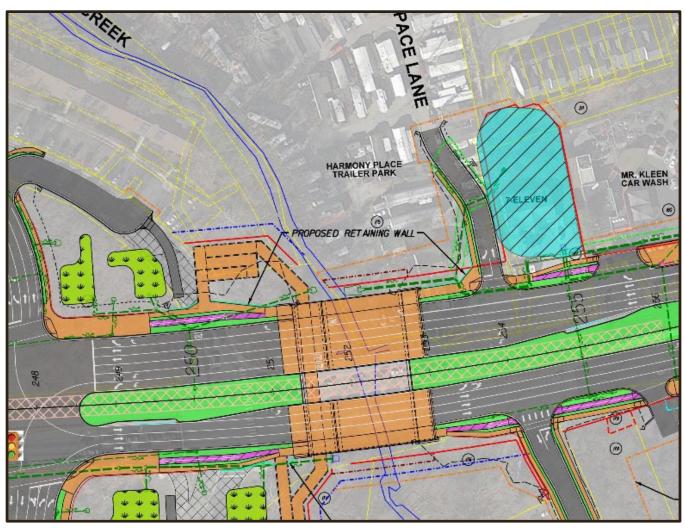










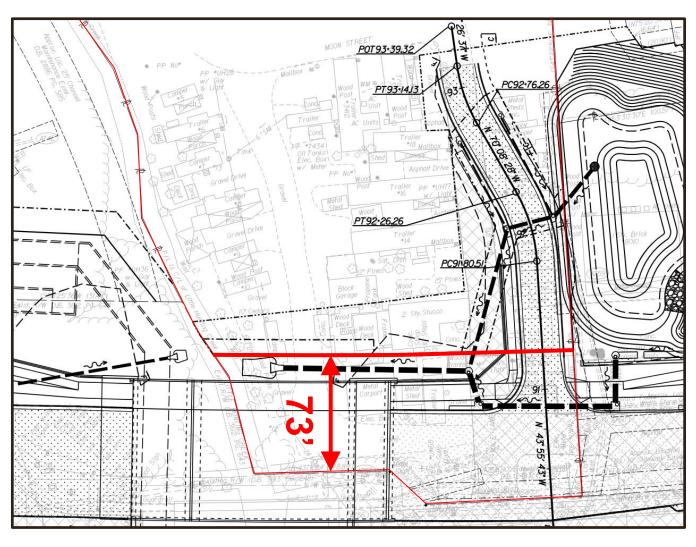


#### **Proposed Roadway Changes**

- Roadway widening and improvement along frontage
- Two additional traffic lanes
- Sidewalk/Cycle Track improved
- Pace Lane shifted
- Right-In/Right-out driveway
- Retaining walls constructed
- Some home sites removed
- Adjacent 7-Eleven store removed
- Stormwater pond installed
- New storm drainage system
- Proposed pedestrian underpass on other side of Little Hunting Creek





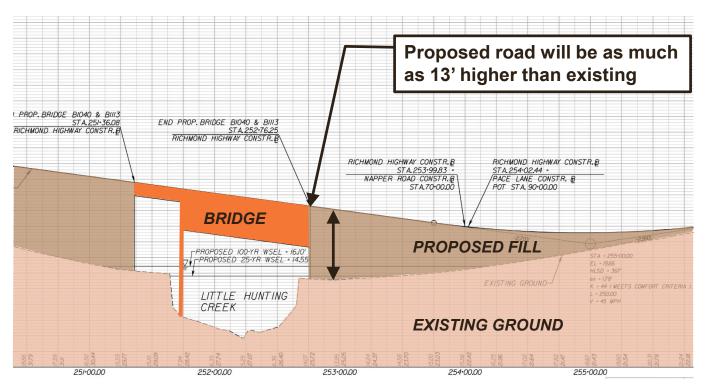


#### **Impacts to Harmony Place**

 Roadway and cycle track/ sidewalk 73' closer to homes



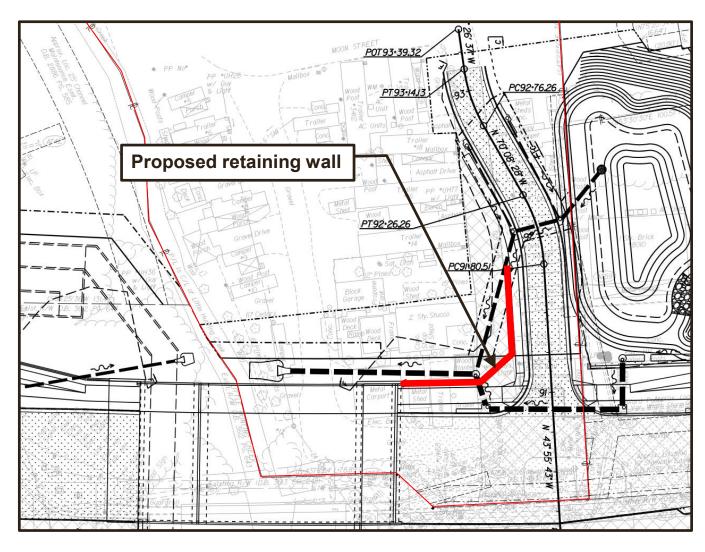




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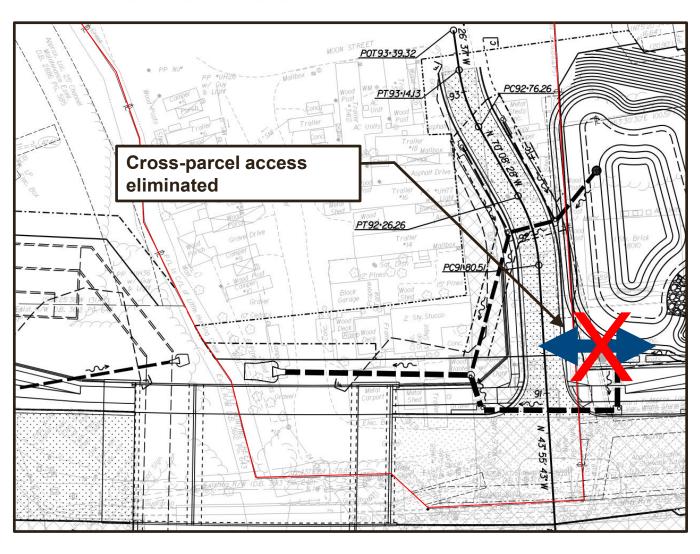




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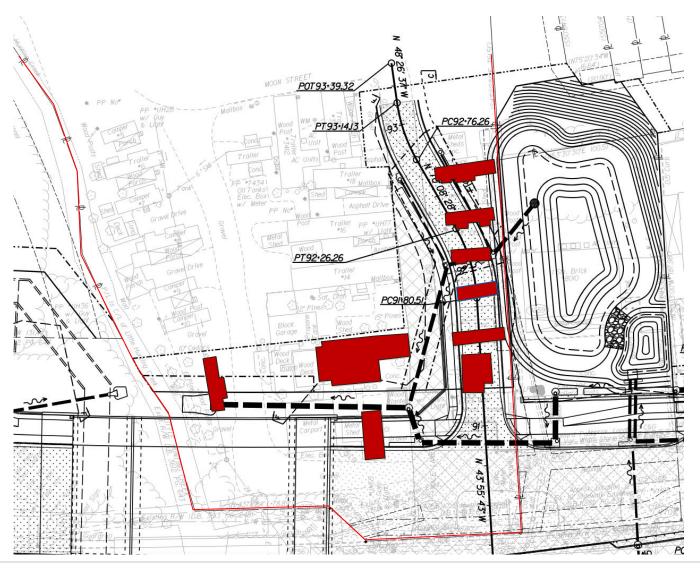




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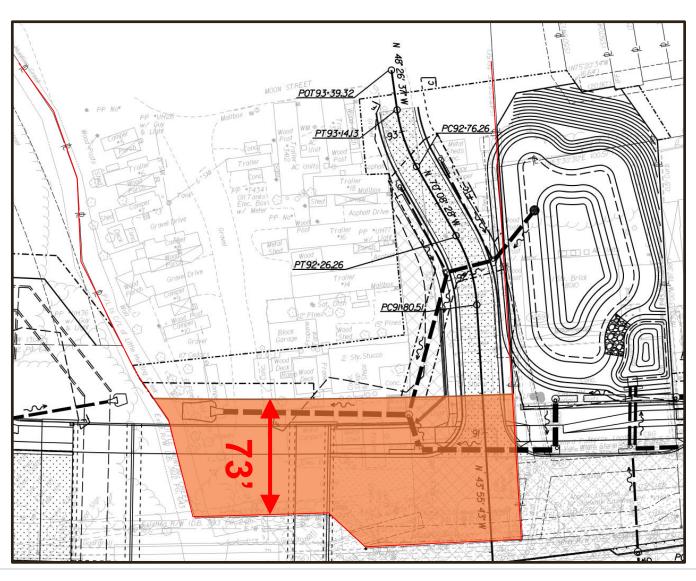




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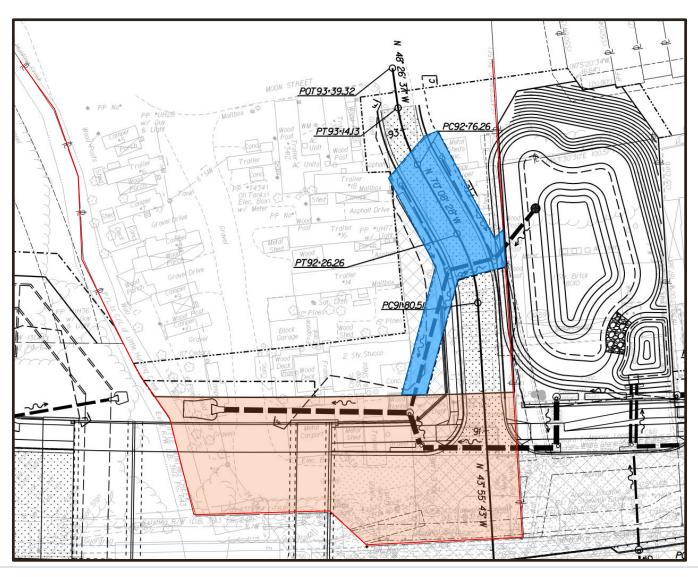


#### **Right-of-Way and Easements**

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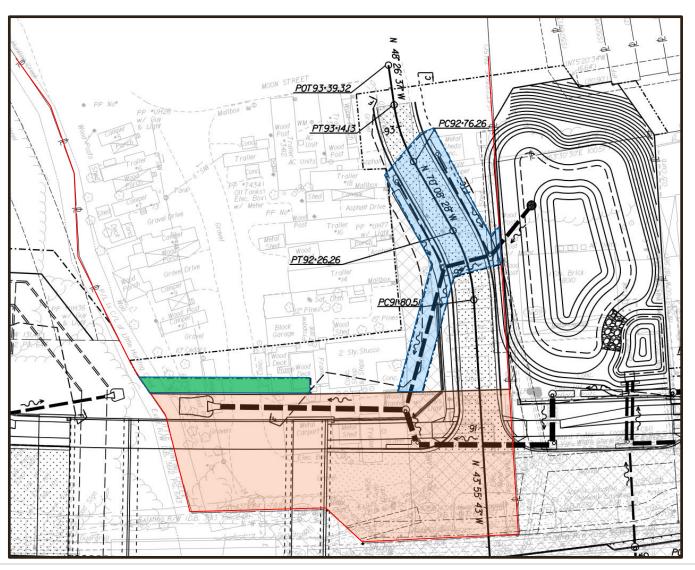




- New Permanent Right-of-Way
- Permanent Drainage Easements for storm drains



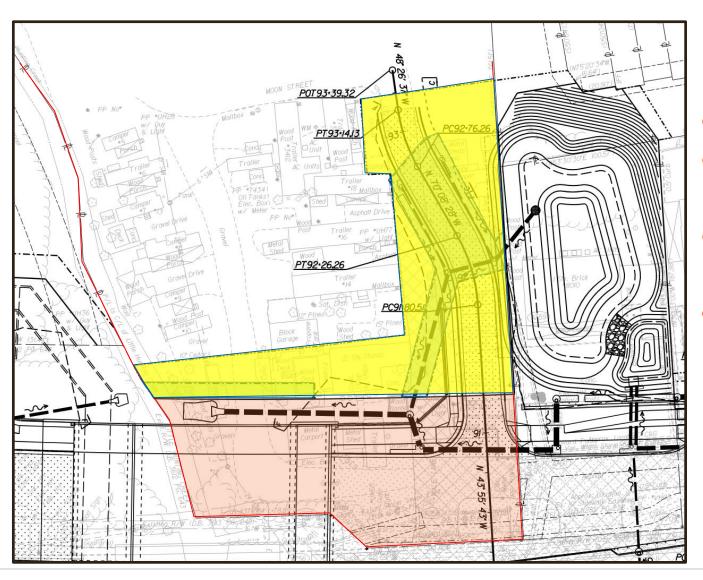




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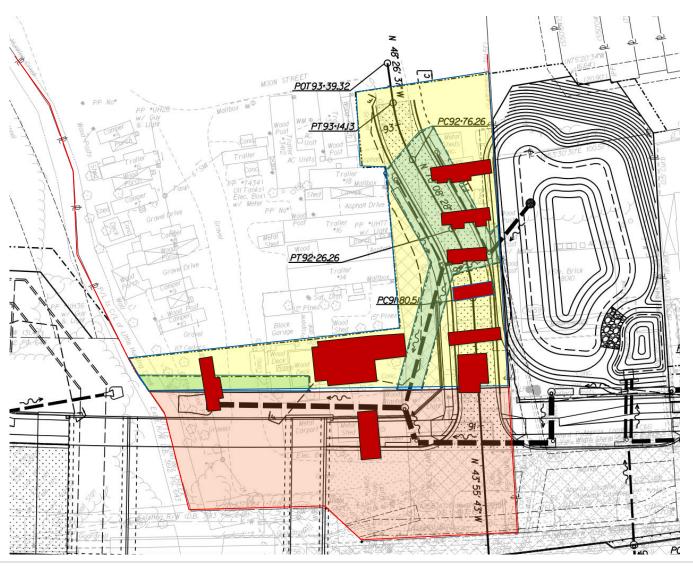




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   construction



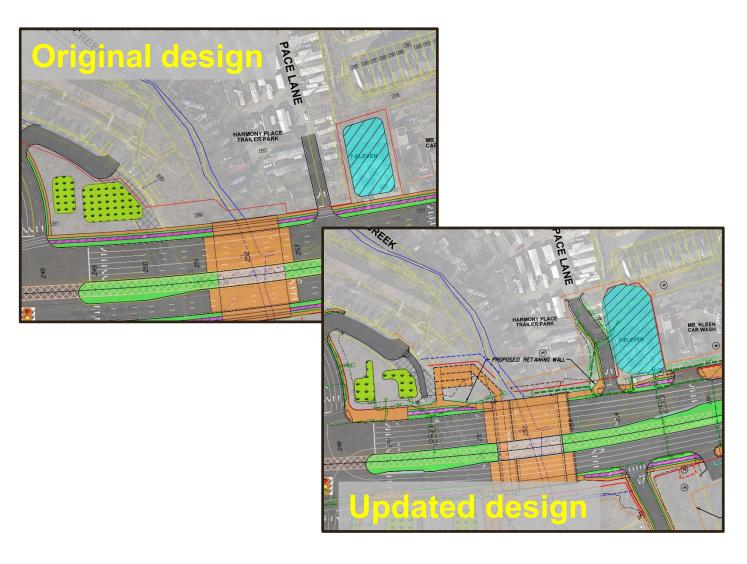




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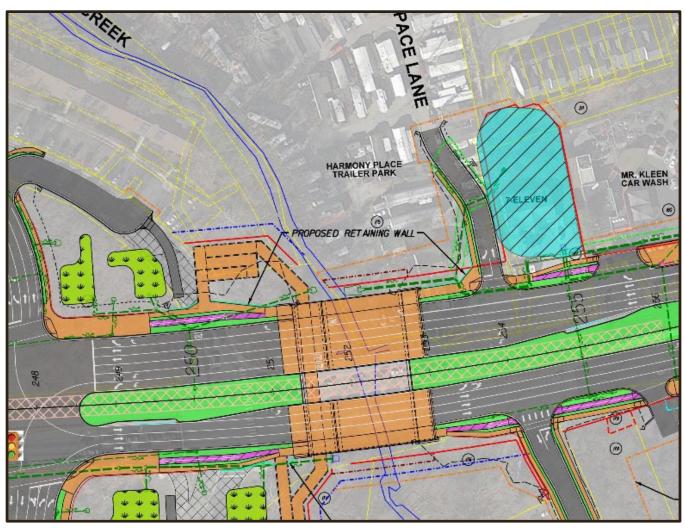
# Design Adjustments to Harmony Place

#### **Relocated Pace Lane**

- Placed at road low point reduces grades
- Three fewer homes taken
- Permanent and temporary easements reduced







## **Benefits to Harmony Place**

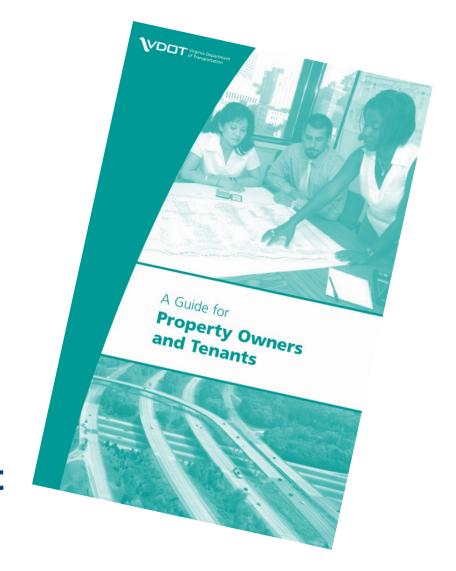
- Less congested and safer Richmond Highway
- Continuous sidewalk and cycle tracks along Richmond Highway for the entire project length
- Pedestrian signals and crosswalks at all signalized intersections.
- Larger bridge opening will reduce flood potential/risk of debris blockage
- Accommodates future Bus Rapid Transit.





## **Right-of-Way Acquisition**

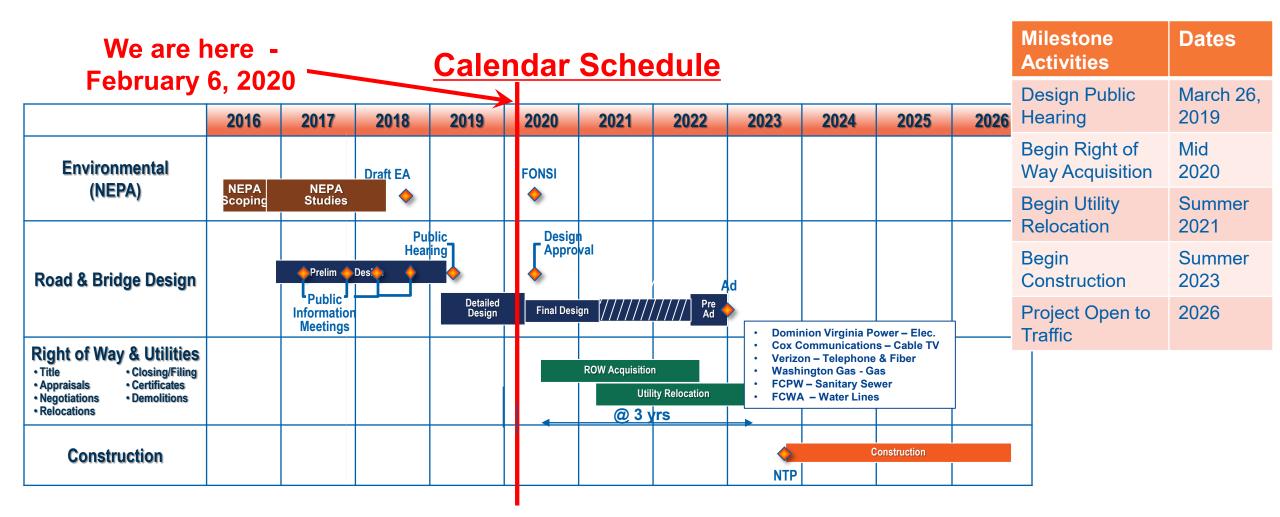
- Each property impact is unique
- Further design details are needed to determine full right of way impacts
- ➤ Right of way acquisition process to begin after detailed design anticipated in mid-2020
- Meetings with individual property owners
- Right of Way representatives will be at each public meeting







### **Schedule**









# **Project Estimate and Funding**

Cost Estimate* (\$ in Millions)		Programmed Funding	Proposed Sources	Funding Sources**
PE	<b>\$ 16</b>	\$ 1.0		NVTA 70% (FY15/16)
RW/UT	\$ 163.5	\$ 46.7		RSTP (Federal)
		\$ 10.0		Revenue Sharing
CN	<b>\$ 192.5</b>	\$ 3.7		Local Funds (C&I)
Total	\$ 372	\$ 127.0		NVTA 70% (FY18/23)
			\$ 183.6	SMART SCALE (Submitted Application 8/18) and/or Additional Sources: NVTA 70%, RSTP, Federal Grants, Developer Contrib., Local, and Other
		\$ 188.4	\$ 183.6	\$ 372

<sup>\*</sup>Cost estimates subject to refinement as project develops.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Project is jointly funded with \$128 million from the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA).



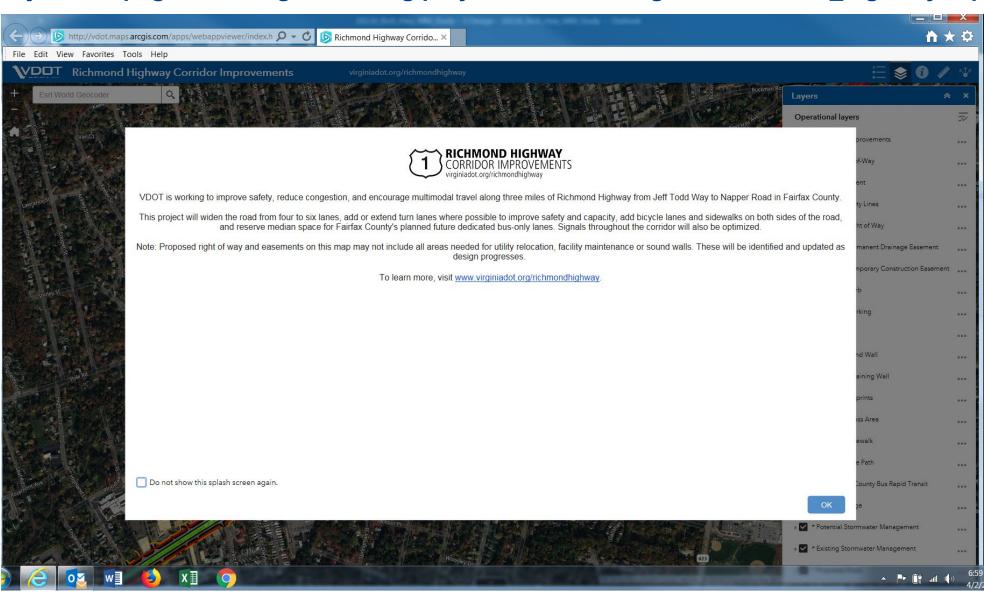


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#### **Opening page**

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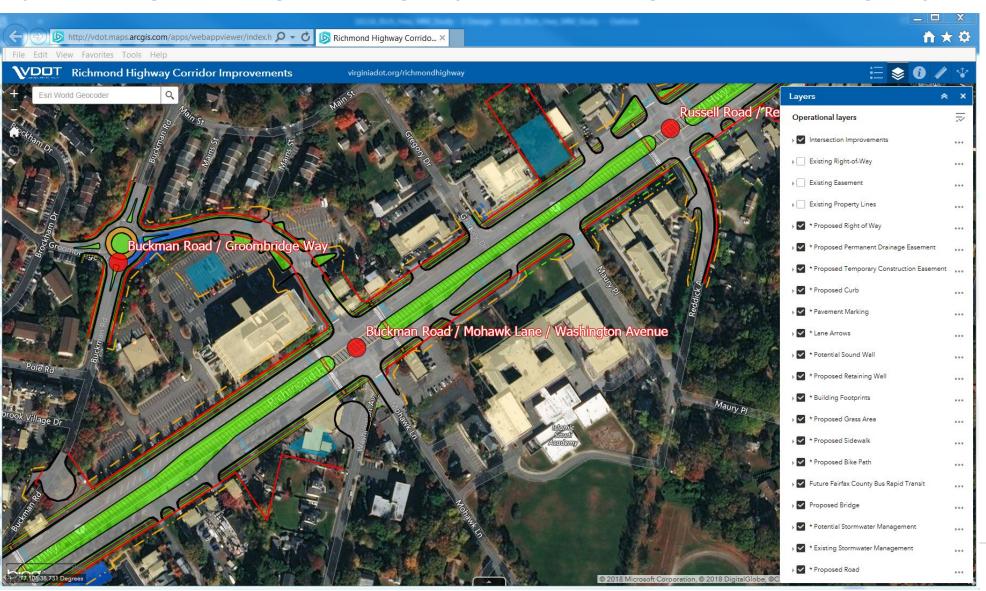


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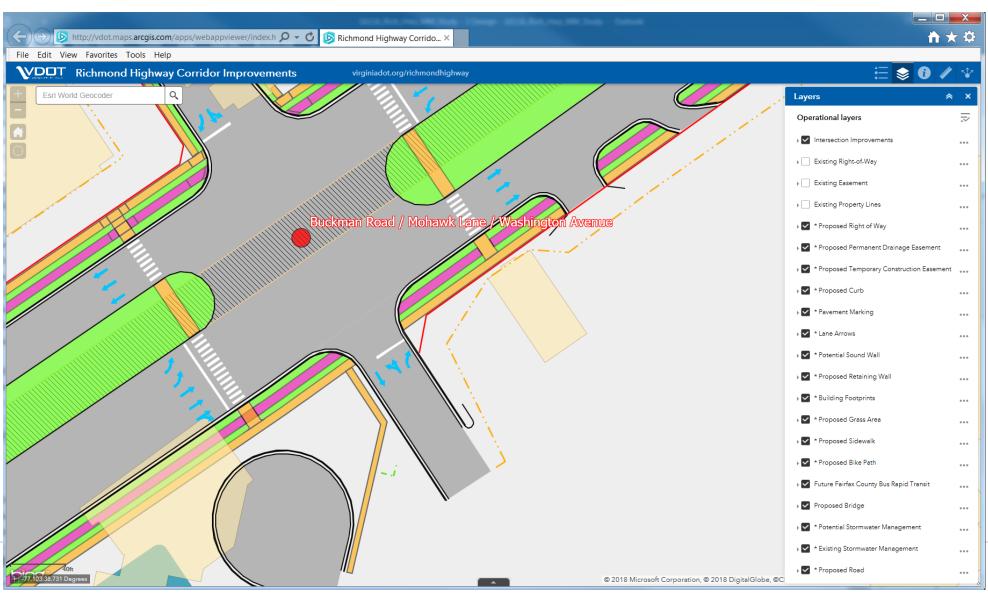


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### **How to Provide Comments**

#### Mail:

Mail written comments to VDOT, attention Dan Reinhard, P.E.
 VDOT Northern Virginia District, 4975 Alliance Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030

#### Email:

Email your comments or questions to RichmondHighway@vdot.Virginia.gov

Please reference "Richmond Highway Corridor Improvements" in subject line of all correspondence





# **Questions?**







