

### Public Information Meetings Phase 3

# **Interstate 95 Corridor Improvement Plan**

Monday, January 27, 2020, 6-8 p.m. (Joint meeting with FAMPO) Fredericksburg District Fredericksburg District Auditorium 87 Deacon Road Fredericksburg, VA 22405

**Tuesday, January 28, 2020, 6-8 p.m.** Northern Virginia District South County Middle School 8700 Laurel Crest Drive Lorton, VA 22079 Thursday, January 30, 2020, 5-7 p.m. Richmond District Hilton Garden Inn, Southpark 800 Southpark Boulevard Colonial Heights, VA 22150

# **Project Overview**

The Virginia Secretary of Transportation's Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment (OIPI), in cooperation with the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) and the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT), is developing a Corridor Improvement Plan at the request of both Senate and House of Delegate resolutions (SJR 276 and HJR 581) passed by the 2019 General Asssembly. VDOT has initiated the study, which will result in an Interstate 95 Corridor Improvement Plan (Plan) that is to:

- Designate specific segments of the Interstate 95
  corridor between Exit 118 and the Springfield Interchange for improvement. Study area extended to
   include I-95 through the Commonwealth of Virginia
  - Identify incident management strategies corridor-wide
  - Determine potential solutions to address region-specific needs along this I-95 corridor

**Current status of the study:** In October, the public had an opportunity to review potential infrastructure, transit, and operations solutions to address safety, congestion, and resiliency issues in the I-95 corridor. Those solutions were developed using a data-driven approach involving analysis of crash reports, traffic volumes, geometry, and other available data as well as comments from the June public information meetings.

Following the October meetings, the study team performed an evaluation of each of the potential infrastructure and transit solutions. Projects were evaluated against several factors, including safety, congestion and accessibility to jobs.

# **Public Meeting**

Welcome to OIPI's third series of public meetings on the Interstate 95 Corridor Improvement Plan. We look forward to your participation.

This public information meeting is being held to provide an opportunity for the public to review potential solutions to address safety, congestion, and resiliency issues in the corridor. The study team strives to ensure that all members of the community have the opportunity to participate in public discussions on transportation projects and programs affecting them. Study representatives are available to discuss the project and solutions, and answer your questions. A comment sheet is available and your input is encouraged. All written comments received will be reviewed by the study team.

This public meeting is being held in the Fredericksburg, Richmond, and Northern Virginia Districts. This is the final set of meetings in a series of three meetings for the I-95 Corridor Improvement Plan.

#### **Next Steps**

House Joint Resolution 581 and Senate Joint Resolution 276 request a targeted set of improvements to be "evaluated using the statewide prioritization process pursuant to §33.2-214.1 of the Code of Virginia." The study team will use a modified version of this process, commonly known as SMART SCALE, to prioritize mainline roadway and multimodal improvements for this Plan. The operational improvements are considered a standalone fundamental element and, having gone through the return on investment (ROI) analysis, will be excluded from prioritization.

Upon development of planning level cost estimates, the study team determined that the needs identified far exceeded available revenues. In addition, the needs do not account for planning level cost estimates associated with "improvements and or locations identified for further study."

The study team, following discussions with the Secretary and CTB, recommended that a study of the I-64 corridor be completed and that the proposed I-95 improvements be prioritized along with the proposed projects on I-64 so the CTB may make an informed decision on how to best allocate the discretionary funds. Prior to this prioritization process, the study team may advance projects from the list requiring further study to the proposed improvement list if sufficient study has been completed. Additionally, VDOT Districts may seek alternative funding for projects identified in this Plan (e.g., SMART SCALE, revenue sharing).

### Schedule

Public Input Meetings: July 2019, October 2019

January 2020

End of final comment period: **February 14, 2020** 

Final and Report: **Summer 2020** 

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#### **Get Involved**

Study representatives will review and evaluate any information received as a result of the public meeting. Please fill out the comment sheet provided at this meeting. You may leave the sheet or any other written comments in the comment box or mail/email your comments.

Comments must be postmarked, emailed, or delivered to the study manager by **February 14, 2020**.

Mail comments to Mr. Ben Mannell at the address below or email va95corridorplan@vdot.virginia. gov. Please include "I-95 Corridor Improvement Plan" in the subject line.

Comments from this meeting as well as the June and October meetings will be summarized and available in the project report posted on www.va95corridor.org.

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