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# The significance of the I-95 Corridor

- High traffic volume, high profile area in metro Richmond; travels through the capital region
  - Traffic volume: ~155k vehicles per day
  - Percentage of truck traffic: ~7%
  - Four interchanges in the I-95/I-64 overlap area
- Existing safety needs
  - Number of crashes: 554 crashes (past 5 years)
  - Safety Service Patrol recently started 24-hour coverage in July 2016
- Projects are needed to improve operations and safety



# **Investments for RVA commuters**

- SMART SCALE projects
  - Seven funded projects in SMART SCALE Round 1
    - Total of \$32.2 million allocated
- VDOT and its local partners have identified 14 improvement projects for better operations along the I-95 corridor in the metro Richmond region
  - Most are small, low-cost projects that make the most of resources
- Total cost of all projects = \$52.2 million
  - Approximately \$32.2 million of funding identified through SMART SCALE Round 1
  - The remaining \$20 million will be funded through a combination of safety and maintenance contributions
- Completion dates range from spring 2017-summer 2022



# Project Highlight: Bryan Park Interchange Improvements

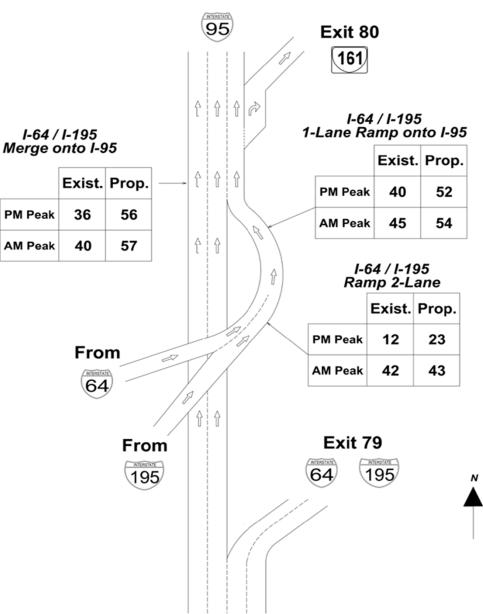
- I-95 north lane reassignment (between Exits 78-80)
  - Allocates lanes according to traffic demand
  - Low cost improvement \$80k
  - Improves speed by up to 56% during peak travel times = reduced congestion
  - All work will be completed within the existing pavement footprint by spring 2017



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I-95 north lane reassignment (between Exits 78-80)

#### I-64 EB/I-195 NB Ramps 2026 PM/AM Peak Speeds

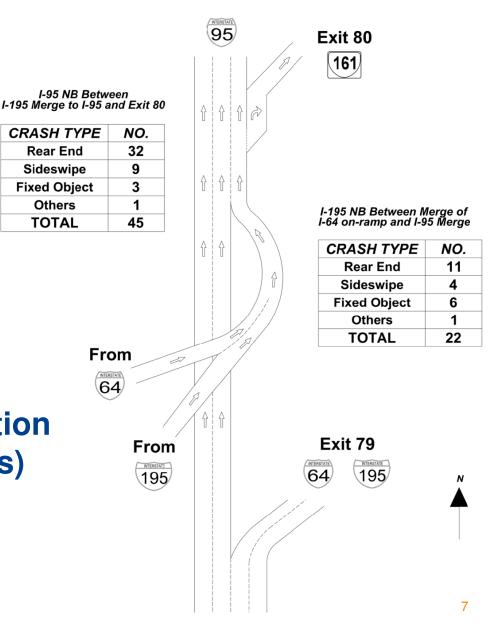


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I-95 north lane reassignment (between Exits 78-80)

# 20% Expected crash reduction (~13 crashes over five years)

#### I-64 EB/I-195 NB ramps Crash and Safety Data



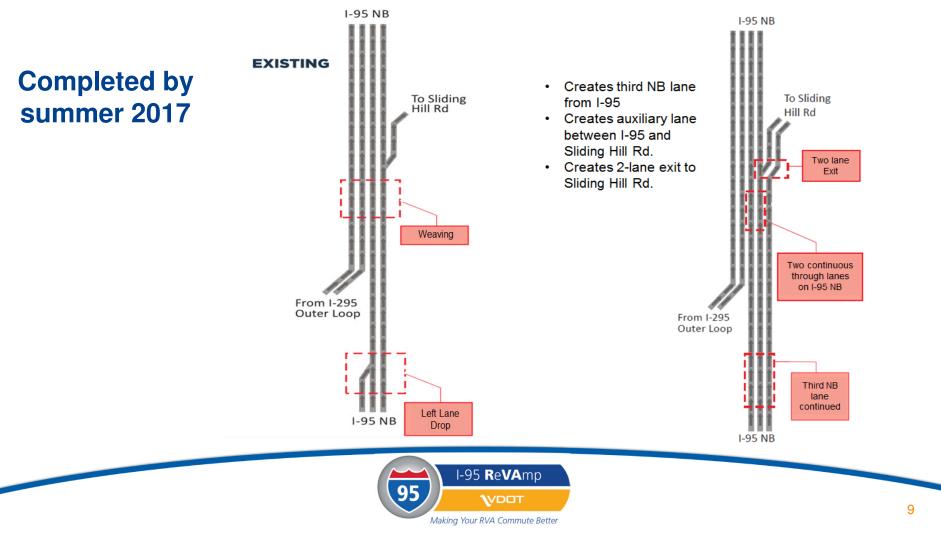
# Project Highlight: I-95/I-295 Interchange Improvements north of Richmond

- I-95 north/south lane-reassignment (between Exits 84-89)
  - Allocates lanes according to traffic demand
  - Cost of improvements \$8 million
  - Improves speed during peak travel times = reduced congestion
    - Northbound by up to 38%
    - Southbound by up to 50%
  - All work will be completed by the end of 2017

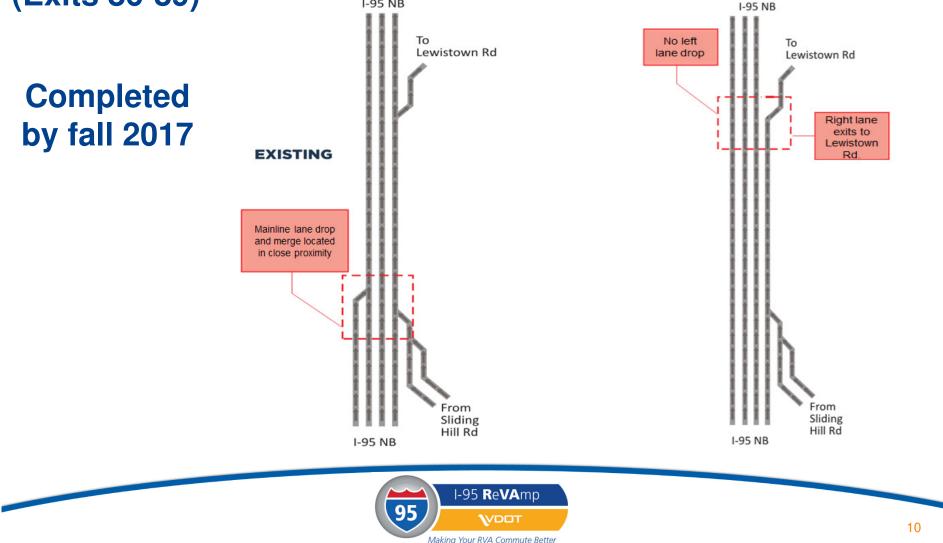


#### Project Highlight – I-95/I-295 Interchange Improvements Northbound: I-95 from I-295 to Sliding Hill (Exits 84-86)

Lane-reassignments to improve traffic flow

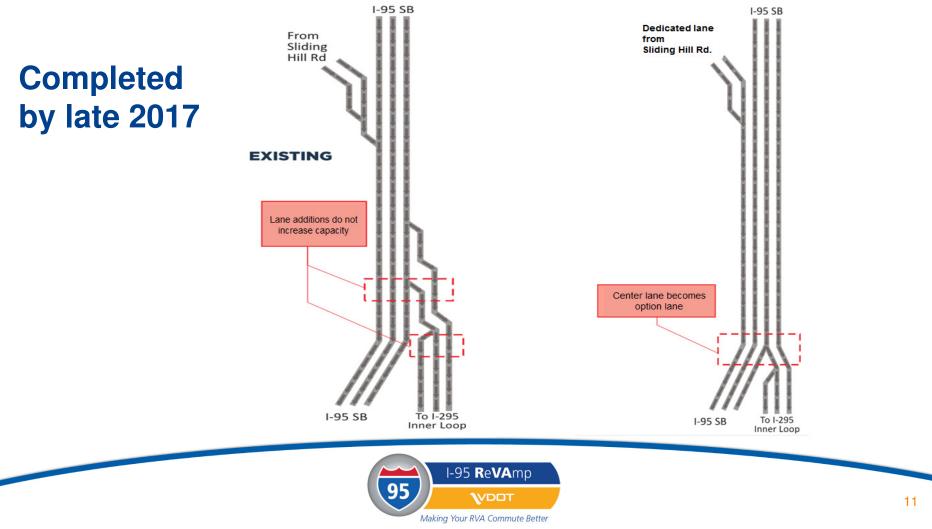


#### Project Highlight – I-95/I-295 Interchange Improvements Northbound: I-95 from Sliding Hill to Lewistown Road (Exits 86-89)



#### Project Highlight: I-95/I-295 Interchange Improvements Southbound: I-95 from Sliding Hill to I-295 (Exits 86-84)

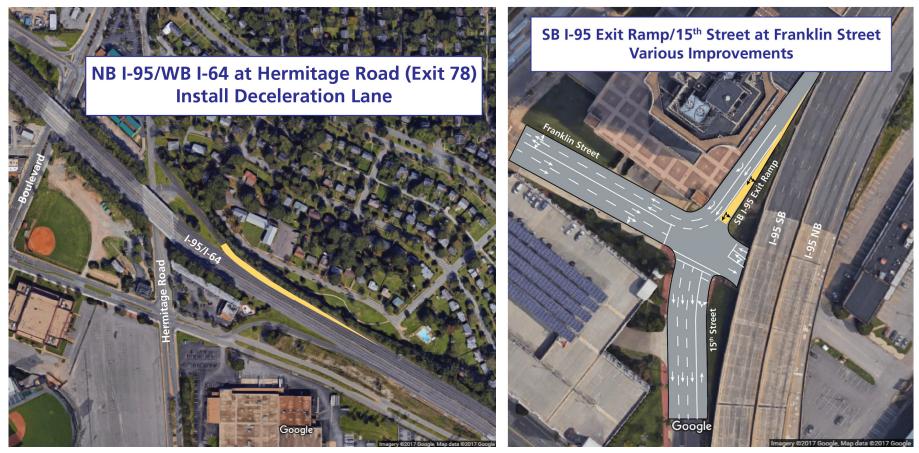
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# Acceleration/Deceleration Lane Extensions at the I-95/I-64 overlap

#### Hermitage Road (NB)

#### **Franklin Street**

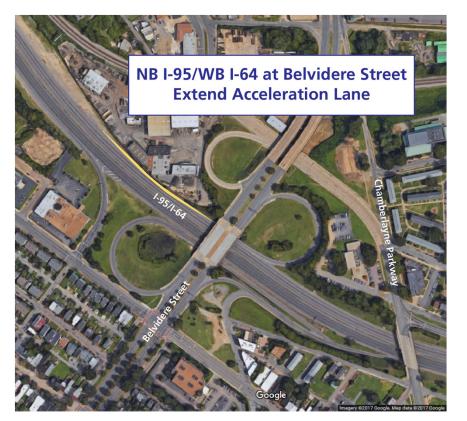




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#### Belvidere Street Northbound

#### Belvidere Street Southbound







# Acceleration/Deceleration Lane Extensions at the I-95/I-64 overlap

- Hermitage Road
  - \$2.7 million
  - Complete by summer 2020
- Franklin Street
  - \$2.5 million
  - Complete by fall 2019
- Belvidere Street (NB & SB)
  - \$16 million
  - Completed by fall 2021

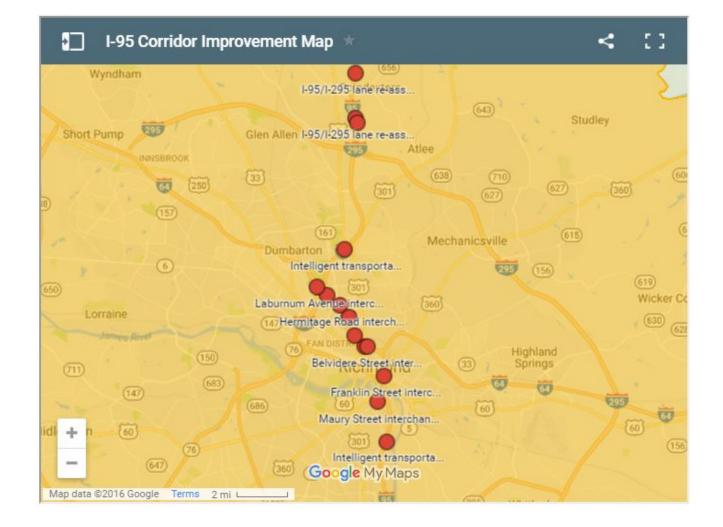
These projects are currently in public involvement phase

Number of crashes from 2010-2014: 554 total crashes

28% reduction in crashes expected (~156 fewer crashes)



# **Interactive Map**





# **Moving forward**

- SMART SCALE is delivering
  - Regional planning
  - Effective projects
  - Real results A better commute in RVA
- SMART SCALE Round 2
  - 2 projects in this section of I-95 under consideration

