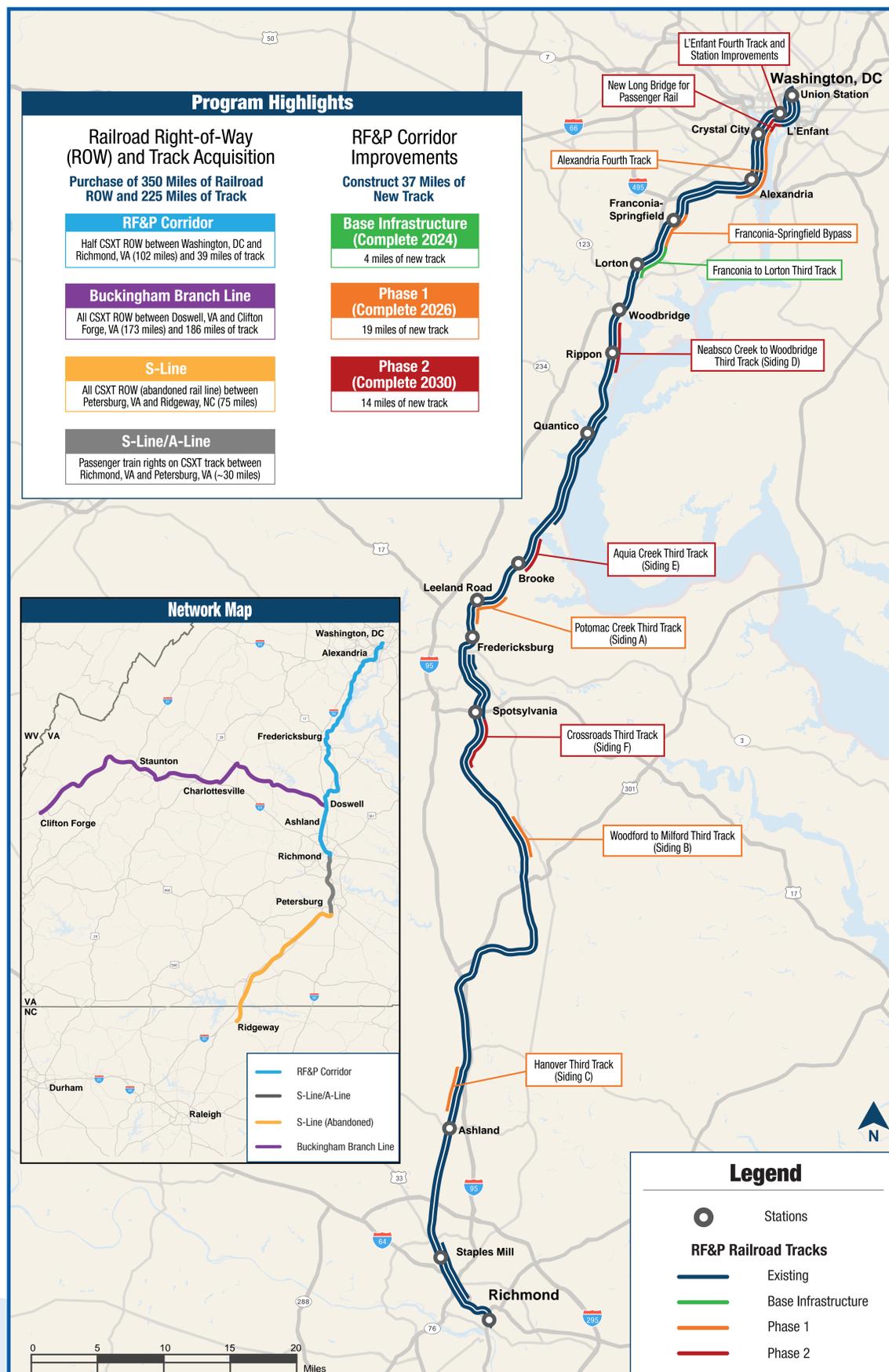




I-95 Corridor Improvement Plan

Transforming Rail in Virginia Program



The agreement between the Commonwealth and CSX outlines investments that include:

- Building 37 miles of new track improvements, including a Virginia-owned Long-Bridge across the Potomac River, with tracks dedicated to intercity passenger (e.g. Amtrak) and commuter rail (e.g. Virginia Railway Express (VRE)); and
- Acquiring more than 350 miles of railroad right-of-way and 225 miles of track.

Over the next 10 years, the following service improvements are planned:

- Doubling the number of Virginia Amtrak trains;
- Providing nearly hourly Amtrak service between Richmond and Washington, D.C.;
- Increasing (VRE) service by 75 percent along the I-95 corridor, with 15-minute intervals during peak periods and adding weekend service;
- Increasing Amtrak service to Newport News and allowing for an improved schedule for the third Amtrak train to Norfolk;
- Laying the foundation for higher-speed passenger rail service to the Southeast through the acquisition of the abandoned S-Line that runs from Petersburg into North Carolina; and
- Preserving an existing freight and intercity passenger rail corridor between Doswell and Clifton Forge for future east-west passenger service; and
- Continuing to implement improvements consistent with DC2RVA plans to improve reliability and capacity in the corridor

“VRE already moves the equivalent of one lane of traffic off I-95 and I-395 each day. This agreement will allow Virginia to move double the number of people at a fraction of the cost.”

- Jennifer Mitchell, Director of Virginia’s Department of Rail and Public Transportation