



I-95/395 HOV/Bus/HOT Lanes Citizen Information Meeting Information Packet

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Comments and Questions Forms

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) and the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) are seeking your feedback on public transportation, carpooling, high occupancy vehicle (HOV) and highway portions of the proposed 56-mile Interstate 95/395 HOV/Bus/High Occupancy Toll (HOT) lanes project between the Pentagon and Massaponax.

During tonight's meeting, you will receive information on:

- The status of the northern section of the project currently under environmental review between Eads Street (near the Pentagon) and Garrisonville Road (Route 610) in Stafford County and an update on the southern section of the project between Dumfries and Massaponax
- Ongoing activities to review proposed transit improvements in the corridor
- The I-95/395 Transit/Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Study

Doors open at **7 p.m. with presentations at 7:30 p.m. and again at 8:30 p.m.** Information stations will be available all evening for participants to collect information and ask questions of project staff.

Your input is valuable as we look at the potential environmental impacts of the northern and southern sections of the proposed I-95/395 HOT lanes project and the potential transit improvements through the I-95/395 Transit/Transportation Demand Management Study in this corridor.

Please complete and return the attached comments and questions forms. You may also send your comments through Friday, August 10, 2007, to:

hotlanes@vdot.virginia.gov or Public Affairs, Virginia Department of Transportation, 1401 East Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219

drptpr@drpt.virginia.gov or Public Information Office, Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation, 1313 East Main Street, Suite 300, Richmond, Virginia 23219

Thank you for your interest and participation.

I-95/395 HOV/Bus/HOT LANES PROJECT

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What Are High Occupancy Toll Lanes?

High Occupancy Toll (HOT) lanes operate alongside existing lanes and are reserved for buses, vanpooling, carpooling, motorcycles, emergency vehicles and motorists who choose to pay a toll.

The number of cars that use HOT lanes is controlled by variable toll pricing. When there is not much traffic, toll prices are low. When congestion increases, toll prices go up to regulate the number of drivers wanting to enter the lanes.

The goal of variable pricing is to control the number of toll-paying cars in the HOT lanes and keep them free-flowing.

About the I-95/395 HOV/Bus/HOT Lanes Project

The proposed I-95/395 HOV/Bus/HOT lanes project will:

- Expand the existing 28-mile reversible HOV system on I-95/395 from two lanes to three lanes
- Extend two reversible lanes 28 miles south to Massaponax
- Convert the existing HOV lanes to HOT lanes, providing a new option for non-HOV motorists who choose to pay a toll to access the lanes
- 33 proposed entry and exit points for better access
- Build new Park & Ride lots, improve existing bus access points and construct bus-only ramps
- Significantly improve bus service by increasing frequency of existing service, serving new markets and increasing the overall number of hours buses are operating
- Expand the regional HOV network by connecting HOV service on I-95/395, Capital Beltway, I-66 and the Dulles Toll Road
- Fund additional law enforcement officers and enforcement technology
- Provide 24-hour video monitoring
- Fund private, incident-response crews to work with emergency services to quickly clear incidents

Paying Tolls on HOT Lanes

The proposed High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV)/Bus/HOT lanes project would use electronic tolling, eliminating the need for toll booths. Scanners would read motorists' E-ZPass and automatically deduct the tolls from their account.

Electronic signs would provide drivers with the latest toll rates as they approach each HOT lanes segment. Motorists can then choose to pay the toll to access that segment, or use the free lanes or transit options.

Drivers will always be able to choose whether to pay to use the HOV/Bus/HOT lanes, use a transit, vanpooling or carpooling option to use the HOT lane free of charge, or use the regular lanes for free.

A Public-Private Partnership

The proposed I-95/395 HOV/Bus/HOT lanes project is being developed under the Public-Private Transportation Act (PPTA) of 1995. A public-private transportation project is one in which a public agency partners with a private firm to plan, finance, construct and/or operate a road, bridge or other facility.

I-95/395 HOV/Bus/HOT Lanes Partner Roles

Virginia Department of Transportation

- Manage the environmental review process
- Continue to own I-95/395
- Oversee the private contractor

Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation

- Develop a transit and transportation demand management plan for the I-95/395 corridor, including investment plan for transit funding generated by the HOV/Bus/HOT lanes project

Fluor Virginia and Transurban (USA) Development Inc.

- Invest upfront to fund construction of the lanes
- Operate and provide routine maintenance of the HOV/Bus/HOT lanes

Project Status

VDOT is currently working with the Federal Highway Administration to complete the project's required federal environmental review, while the private partner, Fluor-Transurban, moves forward with preliminary engineering, operations plans, and traffic and revenue studies. This collective effort will lead to the development of a final scope for the project and ultimately determine whether or not it is a viable solution for the corridor.

If a final agreement is reached between VDOT and Fluor-Transurban, construction on the northern section could begin in late 2008 and take two to three years to complete. Construction on the southern section could begin as early as late 2009.

Need More Information?

- Visit www.virginiadot.org/hotlanes
- Contact Jeffrey Caldwell at
Jeffrey.Caldwell@VDOT.Virginia.gov or **(804) 786-2715**
- Submit input and questions to: hotlanes@VDOT.Virginia.gov
- Submit input and questions to: drptpr@DRPT.Virginia.gov

I-95/395 Transit Advisory Committee

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The I-95/I-395 Transit/TDM Study is being conducted by the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT), in coordination with a multi-jurisdictional Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) which includes representatives from local, regional, state and federal stakeholder organizations.

The TAC provides technical comments and feedback to the DRPT study team, and ensures that regional stakeholder organizations have the opportunity to participate in the study process. The TAC will meet approximately once per month during the course of the study. The organizations participating in the TAC and their designated representatives are listed in the table below.

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I-95/395 Transit/Transportation Demand Management Study

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About the Project

In conjunction with the I-95/I-395 HOV/Bus/HOT Lanes Project, a recommended plan is being developed to enhance transit and transportation demand management (TDM) services in the corridor. TDM involves various services/strategies designed to reduce demand on roadways, including carpooling, vanpooling and telecommuting.

The Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) is managing the study and is guided by a Technical Advisory Committee consisting of local, state, regional and federal jurisdictional/agency staff.

What are the goals of the study?

The study is addressing two goals:

- To maintain transit and High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) ridership
- To make use of the HOT lane features to attract new transit and HOV riders

Existing Transit/TDM in the Corridor

- 500 vanpools
- 90+ buses per hour in the north segment
- 21 Park and Ride Lots
- 19 slug locations
- 12 buses per hour in the south segment
- 10 Metrorail trains per hour
- 5 rideshare/outreach programs
- 2 VRE trains per hour
- 2 telework centers

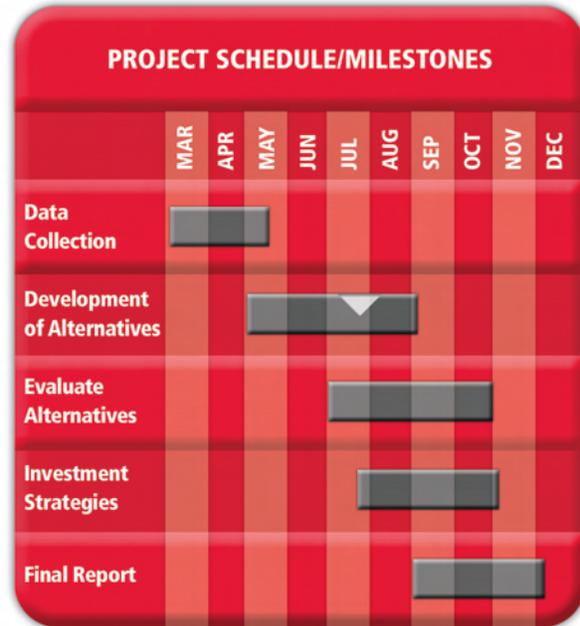
The Study Corridor (See corridor map on next page)

For the purpose of the I-95/I-395 HOV/Bus/HOT Lanes Project, the corridor is defined as 56-miles of I-95/I-395 stretching from Arlington to Massaponax. The Transit/TDM Study will focus on this portion of I-95/I-395 and will also look at serving markets beyond the corridor including, but not limited to, the District of Columbia and Tysons Corner.

Study Activities

The study includes the following principal activities:

- Development and evaluation of three-tiered transit/TDM alternatives with differing service levels and levels of investment based on projected HOT lane revenue contributions, fares and other potential funding
- Development of cost/revenue projections for each transit/TDM alternative
- Forecast travel in the corridor
- On-line survey of habits and attitudes of corridor travelers



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Potential Transit/TDM Improvements

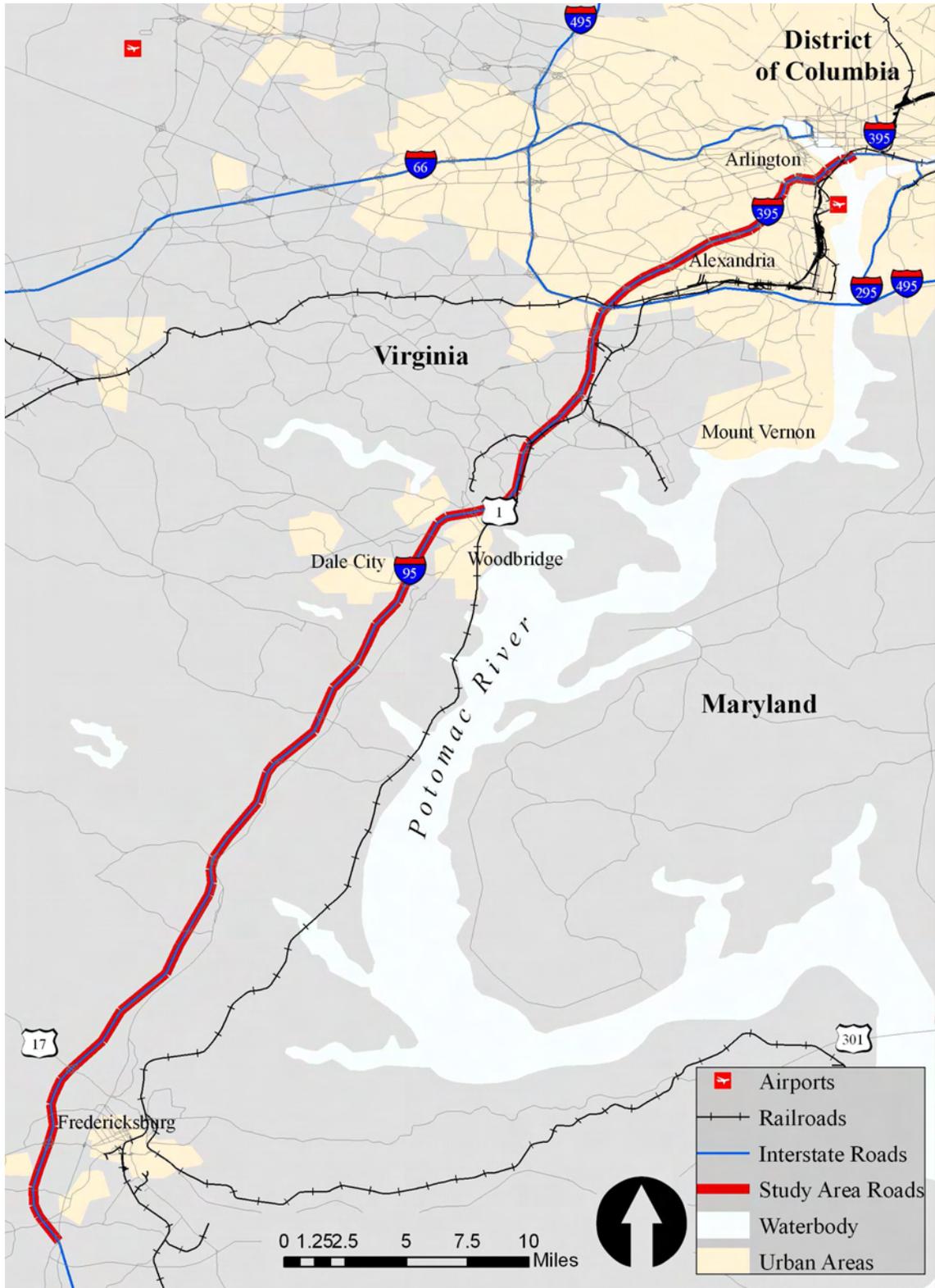
- TDM initiatives to increase carpooling, vanpooling and slugging
- Modifications to existing routes to serve new markets
- New local feeder bus
- Neighborhood circulators/shuttle buses
- Fixed guideway/rail
 - Metrorail to Potomac Mills
 - Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)
 - Enhanced VRE/Amtrak
- Other capital improvements
 - Improvements to transit stations
 - New/improved Park and Ride lots
- In-line transit stations at major activity centers

For More Information

Visit www.drpt.virginia.gov/projects/transittdmstudy.aspx
 Contact Tanya Husick, Project Manager, at (703) 934-4636.
 Submit your questions to Tanya.Husick@drpt.virginia.gov.

We would like to hear your opinion about transit and transportation demand management alternatives in the I-95/I-395 corridor. Please take time to complete the Transit/Transportation Demand Management Study comment sheet.

I-95/395 Transit/Transportation Demand Management Study Corridor



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Are you aware of any natural, historical or social impacts the proposed I-95/395 HOV/Bus/HOT lanes project will have in the I-95 corridor? (Please circle YES or NO. If your answer is YES, please provide further details on the lines below.) **YES or NO**

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Please provide us with your comments on the project concept and preliminary design elements.

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Please indicate whether your comments are regarding the northern section, southern section or both sections of the proposed project.

- Northern
- Southern
- Both

We appreciate your feedback and want to address your questions and concerns. If you have written a question above and would like to receive a response, please provide us with your contact information:

Name:

Address:

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E-mail Address:

I would like to receive future information about:

- 14th Street Bridge Corridor EIS (FHWA)
- BRAC
- Crystal City
- Fairfax County Parkway
- I-95 Fourth Lane
- I-95/395 HOT Lanes Project
- I-495 HOT Lanes Project
- Regional Transportation Demand Management Study
- Springfield Interchange
- Woodrow Wilson Bridge

To provide additional comments or obtain answers to your questions, please write them below or send them to: hotlanes@vdot.virginia.gov; Public Affairs, VDOT, 1401 E. Broad St., Richmond, VA 23219; drptpr@drpt.virginia.gov or Public Information Office, DRPT, 1313 E. Main St., Suite 300, Richmond, VA 23218, through Friday, August 10, 2007.

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Thank you for your feedback.



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