

## Get Involved

### Thank You!

Thank you for taking the time to review the materials presented at this public meeting. Your comments are valuable and greatly appreciated. VDOT will carefully consider all comments received at this meeting and during the comment period.

Written comments must be postmarked or sent electronically **no later than December 26, 2011** and may be submitted in three ways:

### At this Meeting:

Put written comments in the designated box or make a verbal comment to the Verbatim Recorder.

### By Mail:

Submit written comments to:

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### By E-mail:

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Please reference "I-95 Access Study" in the subject line.

Additional information can also be found on the project website, which will be updated periodically during the course of the study:

[http://www.virginiadot.org/projects/fredericksburg/interstate\\_95\\_access\\_study.asp](http://www.virginiadot.org/projects/fredericksburg/interstate_95_access_study.asp)

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### Citizen Information Meeting

## I-95 Access Study Environmental Assessment

Spotsylvania and Stafford Counties and  
City of Fredericksburg

Thursday, December 15, 2011, 5 - 7 p.m.  
 Salem Church Library, Room A  
 2607 Salem Church Road  
 Fredericksburg, VA 22407

## Welcome

**Welcome to the Virginia Department of Transportation's (VDOT) citizen information meeting on the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the I-95 Access Study.**

This citizen information meeting is being held to provide an opportunity for citizens and organizations to give VDOT comments and/or suggestions on the proposed project. VDOT strives to ensure that all members of the community have the opportunity to participate in public decisions on transportation projects and programs affecting them.

VDOT representatives are present to discuss the project and answer your questions.

A comment sheet is included in the handouts for this meeting, and your input is encouraged. All oral and written comments received on this study will be included in a summary report for consideration by VDOT personnel, citizens, and other interested parties and will be made available upon request.

## Project Overview



VDOT, in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), is undertaking environmental studies for transportation improvements in the George Washington Region to improve traffic conditions on I-95 between and within the Route 3 and U.S. Route 17 interchanges; facilitate movement between I-95 and the key commercial areas in Fredericksburg; and accommodate weekday peak period commuter traffic flows between I-95 and the residential communities in Spotsylvania and Stafford Counties.

**Purpose** – The anticipated purpose of the project is to improve traffic conditions on I-95 between and within the Route 3 and U.S. Route 17 interchanges and increase access between I-95 and key residential and commercial areas in Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania and Stafford Counties.

**Need** – The current roadway capacity and the existing and forecast travel demand are among the factors to be included in defining and documenting the transportation needs to be addressed by the project.

State Project: 0095-111-259, P101, Federal Project: IM-5111(235), UPC 101595

## Improvement Alternatives

During this stage, the study team will examine alternatives that were developed in the I-95 Access Study, which included the following:

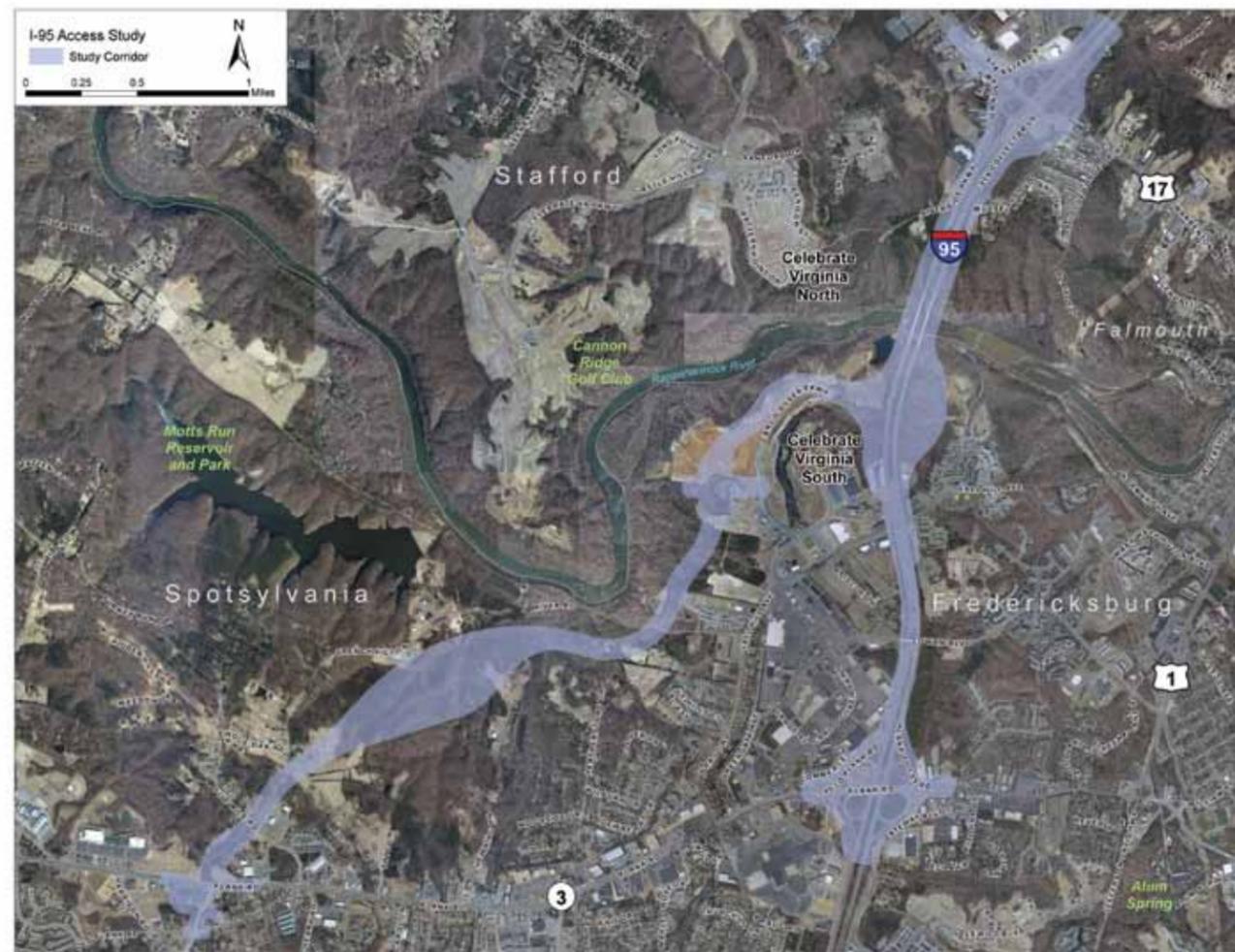
- No-Build Alternative
- Transportation System Management (TSM)/ Transportation Demand Management (TDM)
- Local Street Network Improvements
- Improvements to Existing I-95 Interchanges at Route 3 and Route 17
- Build Alternatives, including Tolling Options

The study corridor highlighted below reflects the general alignment of the preferred alternative identified in the I-95 Access Study completed in 2010. The study corridor represents improvements on I-95 between and within the Route 3 and U.S. Route 17 interchanges and a new

four to six-lane limited access connector road that would extend approximately four miles and include the following new interchanges:

1. On I-95 between the rest area and the Rappahannock River;
2. On the new connector road near the Carl D. Silver Parkway and Central Park/Celebrate Virginia commercial developments; and
3. At Route 3 in the vicinity of Gordon Road.

Improvements are proposed at the I-95/U.S. Route 17 and I-95/Route 3 interchanges, including new auxiliary/collector-distributor (CD) roads on I-95 linking the two existing interchanges and the proposed new interchange. The proposed CD roads would require two new bridges, one in each direction, over the Rappahannock River parallel to the existing structures.



## Location Study Process

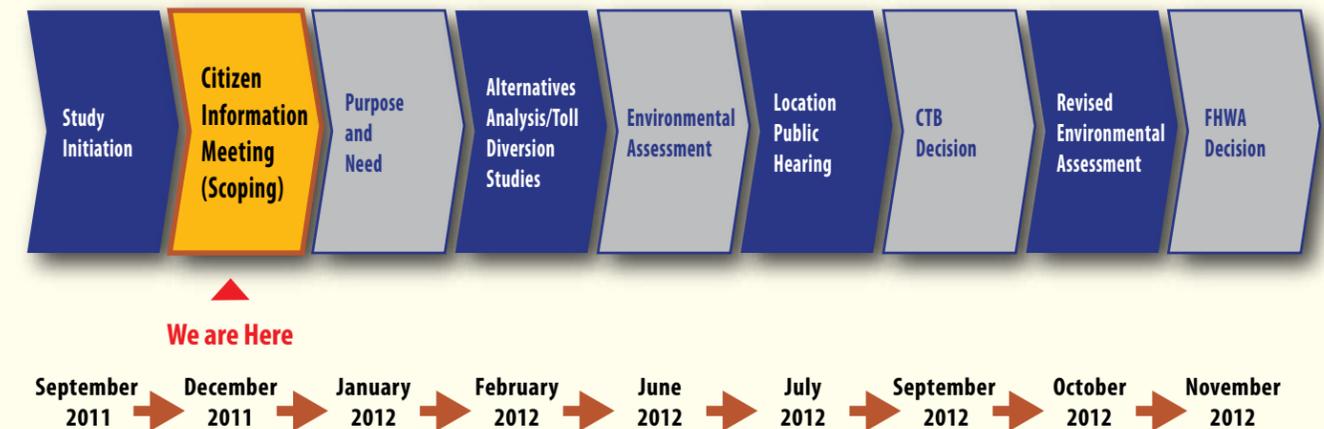
The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires consideration of potential environmental consequences of transportation improvements, documentation of the analyses, and making the information available to the public for comment before a decision is made.

Tonight's meeting is a critical element in the study's initial scoping process whereby public input is gathered to help identify viable courses of action for meeting the identified travel needs and recognize the area's environmental context. During this stage, we welcome your initial input on these important study elements:

- **Purpose and Need:** Transportation problem(s) to be solved
- **Alternatives:** Ideas for solving transportation problem(s)
- **Environment:** Important natural, cultural, and human environmental considerations



## Schedule



## Civil Rights

Representatives from VDOT are present to discuss the project and answer your questions. It is the responsibility of VDOT to ensure that all members of the community are afforded the opportunity to participate in public decisions on transportation systems and projects affecting them. VDOT ensures nondiscrimination in all programs and activities in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

## Right of Way

Displays at this meeting and in this brochure describe transportation alternatives that will be examined in the I-95 Access Study Environmental Assessment. Please be assured that these studies do not mean that your property will definitely be impacted by the proposed project. In the event that the transportation improvement will affect your property, a VDOT representative will personally contact you.

Information about right of way purchase is discussed in VDOT's brochure, "Right of Way and Utilities: a Guide for Property Owners and Tenants." Copies of this brochure are available here from a VDOT right of way agent.