

Get Involved

Twelve days after this design public hearing (January 21, 2014) the public comment period will close. VDOT will review and evaluate any information received as a result of this hearing.

This information, including the meeting summary, will be available for review at 87 Deacon Road, Fredericksburg, VA 22405.

The information received as a result of the meeting will be presented to VDOT's chief engineer for consideration.

If approval of the major design features is received from VDOT's project development engineer for this project, the project will move forward to the final design phase.

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Design Public Hearing

Route 620 (Harrison Road) Route 639 (Leavells Road) Spotsylvania County

Thursday, January 9, 2014, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Inclement Weather Date: January 16, 2014, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Salem Church Library
2607 Salem Church Road
Spotsylvania, VA 22407

Public Meeting

Welcome to the Virginia Department of Transportation's (VDOT) design public hearing on the proposed signal modification at the intersection of Route 620 (Harrison Road) and Route 639 (Leavells Road) and the median closure on Route 639 (Leavells Road) at (Route 1474 (Griffith Way) in Spotsylvania County.

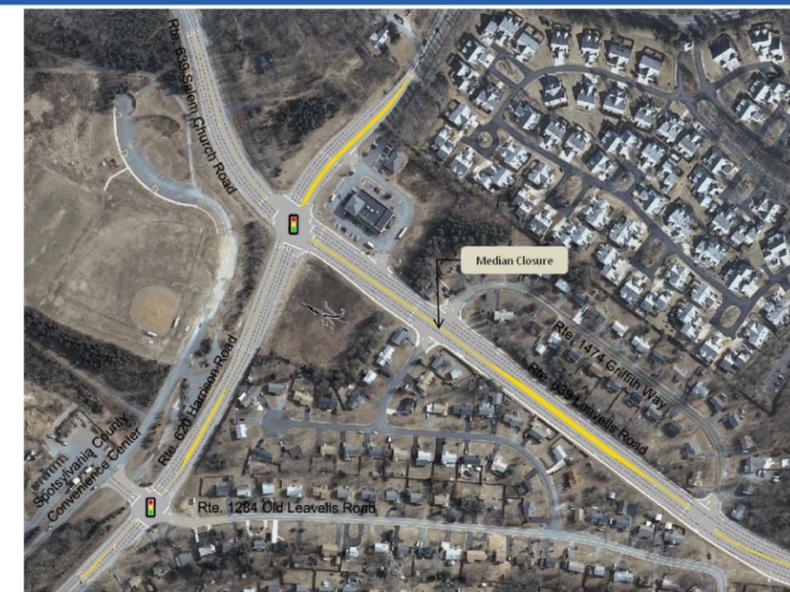
This design public hearing is being held to provide an opportunity for citizens or organizations to give VDOT comments and/or suggestions on the proposed project. VDOT strives to ensure that all members of the community have the opportunity to participate in public decisions on transportation projects 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 verbal and written comments received on this project will be included in a transcript for review by VDOT personnel, citizens and other interested parties.

VDOT staff will address questions and concerns raised as a result of this meeting before the project is presented to VDOT's project development engineer for approval.

Project Overview



Cost – \$325,000

Purpose – To increase intersection capacity and reduce traffic congestion.

Improvements – Signal modification and median closure.

State Project – 0620-088-S44, P101 UPC 104687

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The primary purpose of this project is to increase the capacity of the intersection of Route 620 (Harrison Road) and Route 639 (Leavells Road).

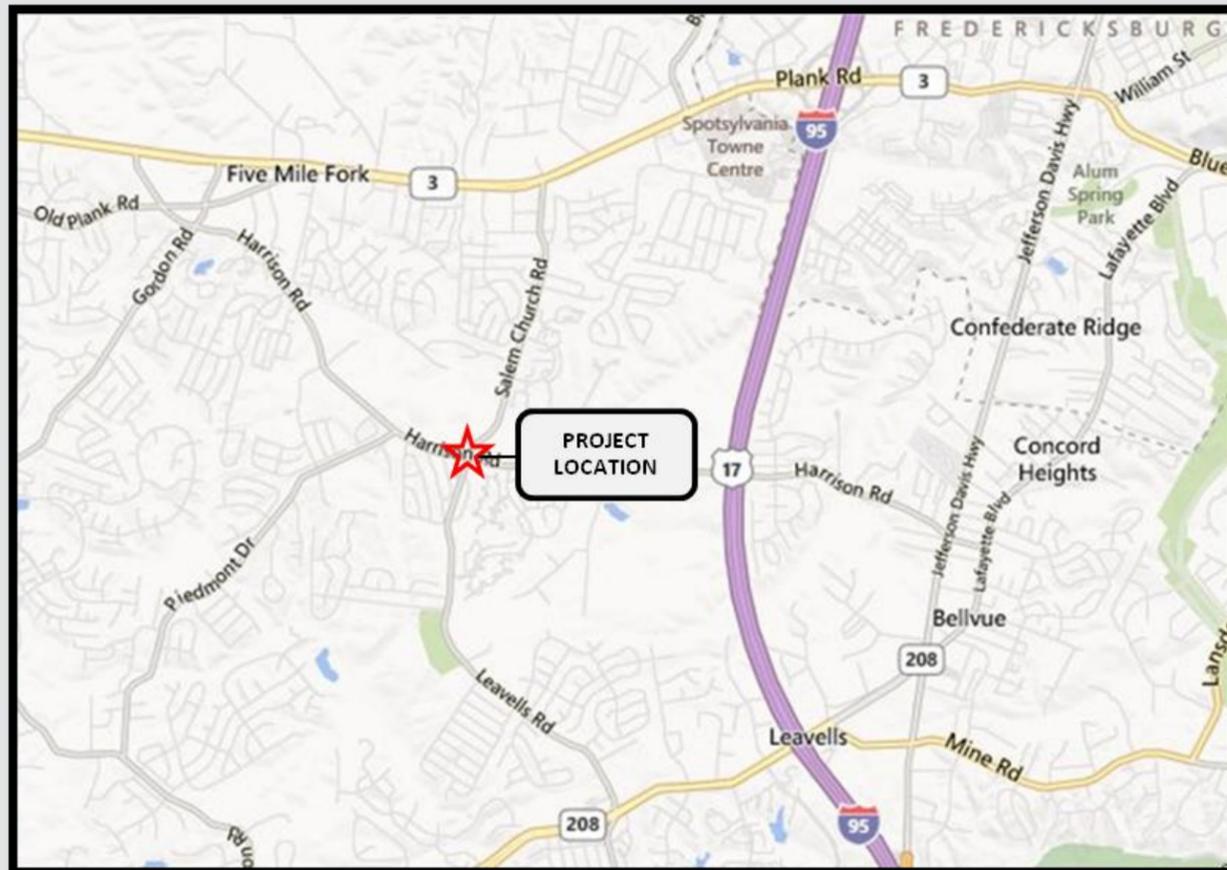
The project includes extending the existing left turn lane by closing the median break at Griffith Way. Closing the crossover, will increase the capacity of the left turn lane and provide optimum traffic flow at the intersection. In addition, the existing traffic signal will be modified to support the intersection improvements.

This project will be constructed in accordance with the current road and bridge specifications to comply with federal and state regulations pertaining to public welfare and safety.

The construction will be performed in such a manner that traffic will be maintained with a minimum of inconvenience to the traveling public.

After the project is complete, VDOT will maintain the road system.

Project Graphic



Estimated Project Cost

Total Cost:

\$325,000.00

Engineering of Roadway Plans:

\$75,000.00

Right of Way Acquisition, Relocation Assistance and Utility Relocation:

N/A

Construction:

\$250,000.00

Civil Rights

VDOT ensures nondiscrimination and equal employment in all programs and activities in accordance Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. If you need more information or special assistance for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency, contact VDOT's Civil Rights Division at 540-899-4288, TTY/TDD 711.

Right of Way

The construction of this project will require no displacement of families, businesses or non-profit organizations.

As we further develop and finalize this project, additional easements for utility relocation may be required beyond the proposed right of way shown on the public hearing plans. The property owners will be informed of the exact location of the easements during the right of way acquisition process and prior to construction.

Information about right of way acquisition is discussed in VDOT's brochure entitled Right of Way and Utilities: a Guide for Property Owners and Tenants. Copies of this booklet are available from a VDOT right of way agent. After this meeting, information regarding right of way may be obtained from the right of way contact listed on the back of this brochure.

Anticipated Schedule

The following schedule has been proposed:

Design Public Hearing and

Comment Period – January 9, 2014 through January 21, 2014

In the event of inclement weather: January 16 through January 27, 2014 (Inclement Weather)

Construction – Summer 2014

Environmental Review

VDOT's Fredericksburg District Environmental Office has performed environmental reviews and coordination to obtain information about environmental resources in the project vicinity; to provide natural and historic resource agencies an opportunity to review and comment on the project during its development; and to identify opportunities for avoidance, minimization and mitigation of potential environmental impacts.

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) is applicable to this project and a Programmatic Categorical Exclusion has been developed in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration and in accordance with federal guidelines. The NEPA document includes information from various technical reviews including those related to natural resources, water quality, threatened and endangered species, air quality, noise, etc. In compliance with the national Historic Preservation Act, Section 106 and 36 CFR Part 800, information concerning the potential effects of the proposed project on properties listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places is also provided in the environmental documentation.

The project will continue to be coordinated with the appropriate federal, state, and local agencies as part of environmental review and approval processes required throughout project development and construction. All required environmental clearances and permits will be obtained prior to commencement of construction. Strict compliance with all environmental conditions and commitments resulting from regulatory approvals, and implementation of VDOT's specifications and standard best management practices will protect the environment during construction.

The NEPA document and the results of other environmental studies are available at today's meeting. Representatives from VDOT's Environmental section are available to discuss this information and to answer questions.