

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The purpose of this project is to complete the current partial interchange at I-581's Exit 3C. This will be accomplished by the following:

- Modifying the existing partial clover interchange into a Diverging Diamond type interchange
- Including access to and from Valley View Boulevard from both directions of I-581
- Constructing new auxiliary lanes along I-581 between Valley View Boulevard and Hershberger Road
- Constructing a new pedestrian bridge for the Lick Run Greenway over I-581

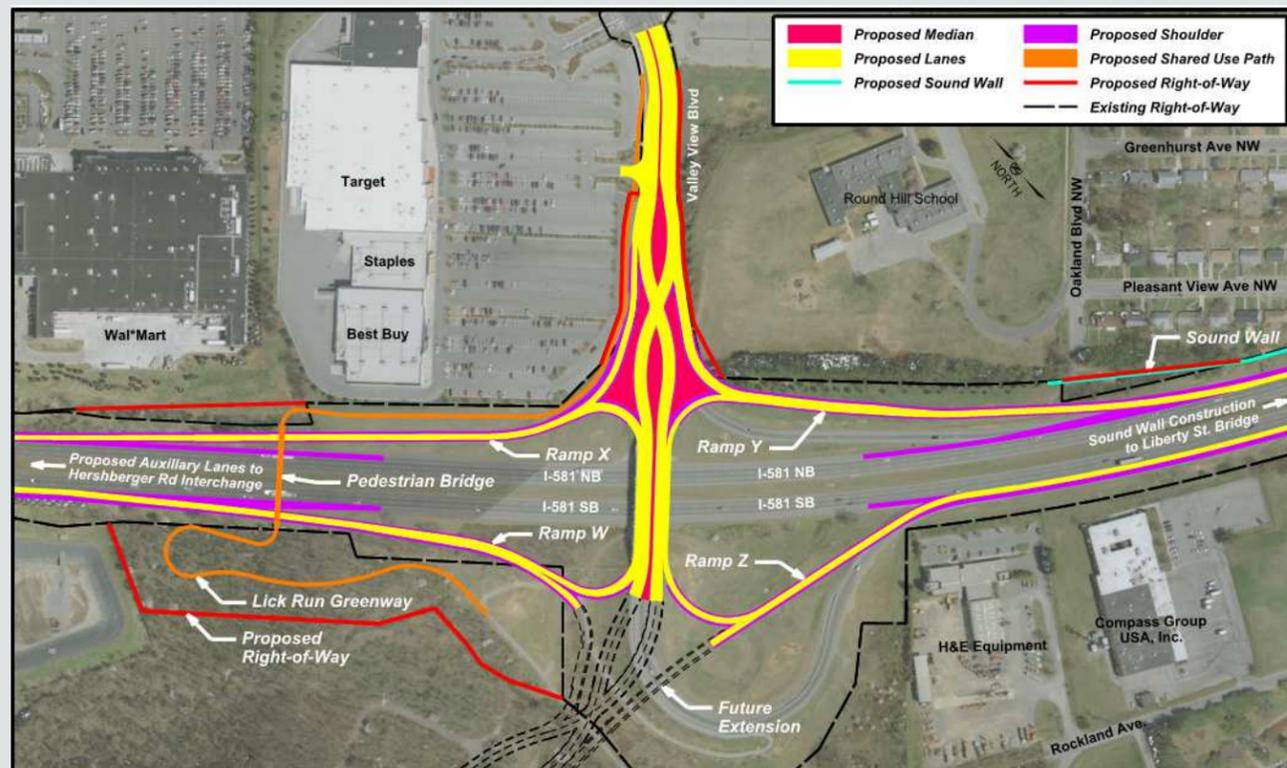
These proposed improvements will require the widening of Valley View Boulevard from the western end to the entrance of the Valley View Crossing shopping center. The project will widen the existing Valley View Boulevard bridge over I-581 to four lanes with turn lanes onto the I-581 on-ramps. Retaining walls will also be constructed for the bridge structures and the ramps.

The existing signal at Valley View Boulevard and Valley View Crossing shopping center will be modified. The project will require only one additional signal. Revised lighting, signage and pavement markings will be installed to match the new traffic patterns.

Due to construction on the west side of I-581, a segment of the existing Lick Run Greenway will be relocated onto a separate pedestrian bridge crossing over I-581. During construction, lane closures and traffic shifts are expected. Vehicular, bicycle and pedestrian access to properties and businesses will be maintained at all times.

The work will also include extending and relocating impacted drainage structures, developing storm water management facilities and relocating affected utilities within the project limits. Sound barrier walls will be constructed along I-581 from the southern Valley View Boulevard ramps to the Liberty Road bridge over I-581.

Project Graphic



Estimated Project Cost

Total Cost:

\$57.3 M

Design - Build Contract Amount:

\$38.5 M

Right of Way Acquisition and Utility Relocation:

\$5.0 M

VDOT Preliminary Engineering, Right of Way and Contract Administration:

\$13.8 M

Environmental Review

Environmental review and coordination have been performed 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 effects.

A National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Categorical Exclusion and Reevaluation have been developed in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration. The NEPA documents include 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 Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) intends to make a *de minimis* finding with respect to the project's section 4(f) involvement with the Lick Run Greenway. Before a final determination is made, we ask for your comments regarding the effects of the project on the activities, features and attributes of the greenway.

Environmental review and approval processes will continue throughout project development; and all required environmental clearances 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 documents 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.

Anticipated Schedule

Begin Right of Way Acquisition – Spring 2014

Begin Construction – Spring 2014

Project Completion – September 2016

Civil Rights

VDOT ensures nondiscrimination and equal employment in all programs and activities in accordance with Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. If you need more information in regards to your civil rights on this project or special assistance for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency, contact the project manager listed on the back of this brochure.

Right of Way

Displays at this meeting show the extent of right of way that may be needed as the project is currently proposed. As the design is further developed, additional easements and right of way may be required beyond what is shown in the plans. Property owners will be informed of the exact location of the easements during the right of way acquisition process and prior to construction.

As currently proposed, no tenants/residents will be displaced as a result of the project. No businesses or non-profit organizations will be displaced.

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.

Get Involved

The public comment period will close 10 days after this citizen information meeting (Dec. 20, 2013). VDOT representatives will review and evaluate any information received as a result of the citizen information meeting.

Project information shared here is available for review after the citizen information meeting at VDOT's Salem District Office located at 731 Harrison Ave., Salem, VA 24153. Please call the project manager list below to ensure the availability of appropriate personnel to answer your questions.

Comments also can be submitted in writing to saleminfo@vdot.virginia.gov. Information must be postmarked, e-mailed or delivered to VDOT within 10 calendar days of today's meeting (December 20, 2013) in order to be included in the meeting record. Please reference "Valley View Boulevard Comments" in the subject heading.

Contact Information

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Citizen Information Meeting I-581/Valley View Boulevard Interchange Improvements City of Roanoke

Tuesday, December 10, 2013, 5-7 p.m.
William Fleming High School – Cafeteria
3649 Ferncliff Avenue, NW
Roanoke, VA 24017

Public Meeting

Welcome to the Virginia Department of Transportation's (VDOT) citizen information meeting on proposed improvements to the Interstate 581/Valley View interchange in Roanoke.

This citizen information meeting 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 oral and written comments received on this project will be included in a transcript for review by VDOT personnel, citizens and other interested parties.

Project Overview



I-581/Valley View Boulevard Interchange.

Cost – \$57.3 M

Purpose – To complete the partial interchange constructed in 1999.

From – 0.3 mile south of Route 101 (Hershberger Road)

To – 1.56 miles south of Route 101 (Hershberger Road)

Total length – 1.26 miles

Improvements – Addition of ramps serving I-581 north of the interchange and auxiliary lanes along I-581 to the Hershberger Road interchange; widening of Valley View Boulevard; construction of new sound barrier walls from Court Street to the Liberty Street bridge.