

Get Involved

The public comment period will close twelve (12) days after this public hearing on **December 28, 2015**. VDOT will review and evaluate any information received as a result of this hearing. Comments can also be submitted in writing to Brandon.Harrison@VDOT.Virginia.gov or mailed to the address provided on the comment form. Information must be postmarked, emailed or delivered to VDOT within 12 calendar days of today's hearing (**December 16, 2015**) in order to be included in the public hearing meeting record.

This information, including the hearing summary, will be available for review at the VDOT Hampton Roads District Office located at 1700 North Main Street, Suffolk, VA 23434, 757-925-2500, 1-800-367-7623, TTY/TDD 711, or at the VDOT Williamsburg Residency Office, 4451 Ironbound Road, Williamsburg, VA 23188, 757-253-5138. Please call ahead to ensure the availability of appropriate personnel

to answer your questions.

After all comments have been addressed, and after receiving endorsement from the James City County Board of Supervisors, the information received as a result of the hearing will be presented to VDOT's Chief Engineer or designee for consideration. If approval of the major design features is received for this project, it will move forward to the final design phase. Public hearing participants will be notified of this decision by letter.

Questions concerning the right-of-way relocation or acquisition process should be directed to Mr. Randy Friedland, Regional Right-of-Way Manager, at the contact information given in the table below. All other questions or comments should be directed to Mr. Brandon Harrison, at the contact information given below.

Please visit the VDOT website for additional project information:

http://www.virginiadot.org/projects/hamptonroads/centerville_road_intersection.asp

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Design Public Hearing

Centerville Road at News Road Intersection Improvements James City County

Wednesday, December 16, 2015, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Matoaka Elementary School
4001 Brick Bat Road
Williamsburg, Virginia 23188

Public Meeting

Welcome to the Virginia Department of Transportation's (VDOT) design public hearing on the proposed intersection improvements for Centerville Road and News Road in James City County. The project will run from 0.059 mile north to 0.042 mile south of the Centerville Road and News Road intersection, for a project length of 0.101 mile.

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.

At this public hearing you will have the opportunity to review the project exhibits on display and to ask questions of the project team. VDOT representatives are present to discuss the project and answer your questions. A court reporter is available to record your verbal comments.

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.

Written questions or comments should be placed in the comment box or mailed to the address provided on the comment form.

Project Overview



Centerville Road and News Road Intersection

Estimated Cost – \$2.4 million

Purpose – To improve capacity and safety by replacing the existing intersection configuration with a roundabout at Centerville Road and News Road

From – 0.059 mile north of the intersection

To – 0.042 mile south of the intersection

Total length – 0.101 mile

Improvements – Construction of a roundabout to replace the existing intersection configuration

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project is located at the intersection of Centerville Road and News Road in James City County. Centerville Road (Route 614) is an urban minor arterial roadway with a current average daily traffic (ADT) of 6,768 vehicles. The ADT is projected to be 8,400 vehicles per day in design year 2039. News Road (Route 613) is an urban collector roadway with a current ADT of 4,034 vehicles, and the projected ADT is 5,000 vehicles per day. The posted speed limit is 45 mph for both roadways.

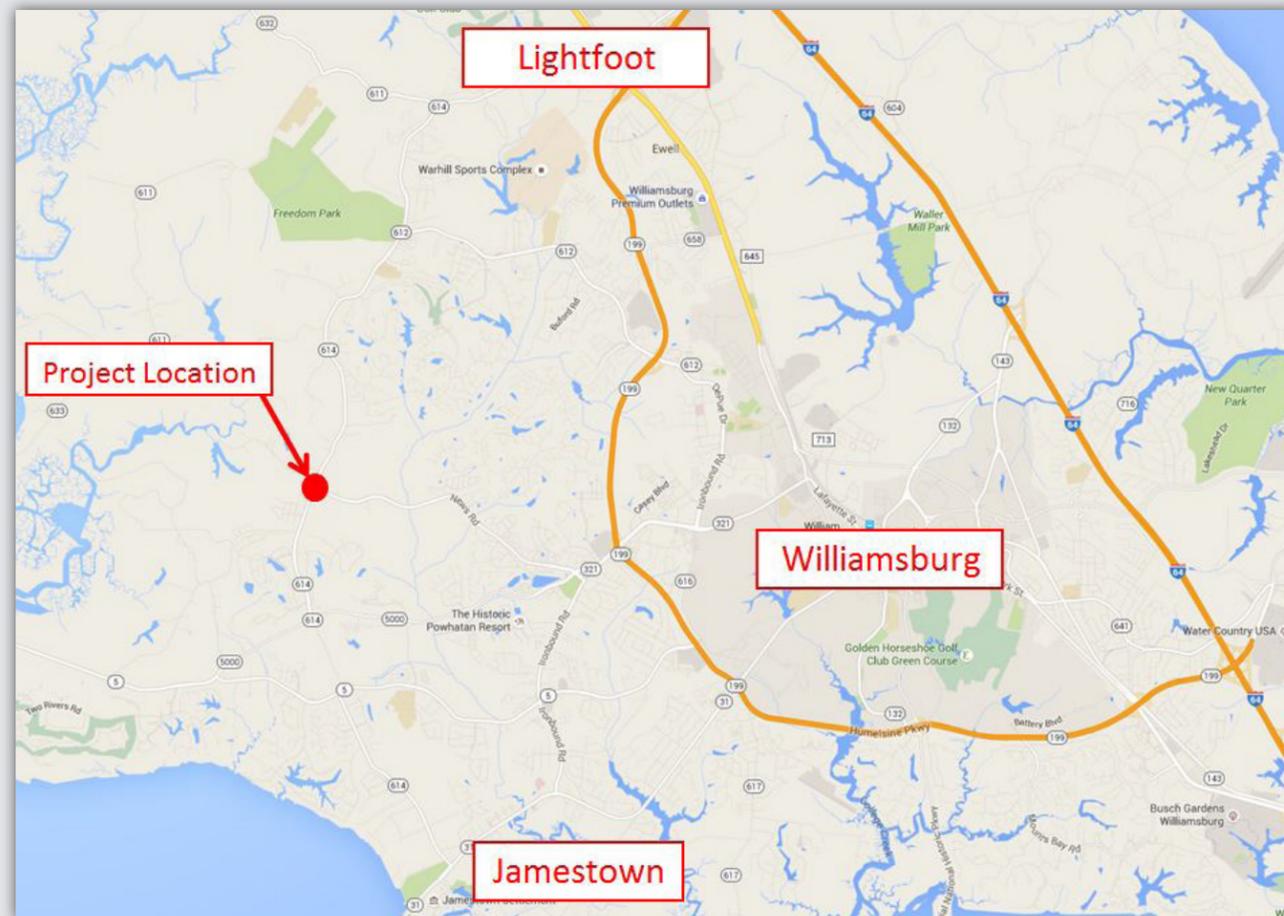
The purpose of the project is to improve safety and create improved operational conditions by replacing the existing intersection configuration with a roundabout. Roundabouts are circular intersections with specific

design and traffic control features. These include yield control of all entering traffic, channelized approaches, and geometric curvature to ensure that travel speeds are typically less than 30 mph.

Slower speeds and fewer conflict points make roundabouts one of the safest types of intersection designs. The roundabout can accommodate higher traffic volumes with reduced delays compared to traditional intersections at capacity.

Additional benefits include reductions in traffic crashes, air pollution, fuel consumption, right-of-way, maintenance costs, and total project costs.

Project Map



Estimated Project Cost

Total Cost:

\$2.38 million (approximate)

Preliminary Engineering of Roadway: \$291,400

Right of Way Acquisition, Relocation Assistance and Utility Relocation: \$615,900

Construction: \$1.47 million

This project is in the early design stages and cost is subject to change. The project will be financed using federal funds.

Environmental Review

A National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) document has been prepared and approved for this project. This document is available for public review here tonight. Through on-site inspections, and coordination with federal, state and local agencies, VDOT (with concurrence from the Federal Highway Administration) has determined that the proposed work will not have any significant environmental impacts.

All applicable permits required for impacts to existing wetlands will be acquired prior to project construction. All impacts will be mitigated as required by the permitting.

During construction, all reasonable efforts will be made to protect the environment with respect to dust, silt and erosion. Construction of this project will conform to nationwide best management practices, VDOT's Road and Bridge Specification and the guidelines of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO), as well as regulations set forth by the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation regarding erosion and sedimentation and storm water management.

On behalf of the Federal Highway Administration and in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) has taken into account the effects of this undertaking on historic properties and has consulted with the Virginia State Historic Preservation Officer (VA SHPO), the director of the Virginia Department of Historic Resources. In order to identify historic properties that are within the project's area of potential effect, VDOT conducted architectural and archaeological surveys of the project area. For a resource to be considered a historic property, it must be eligible for the National Register. Therefore, since no historic properties are located within the project's area of potential effect, the project will not have an effect on historic properties.

Anticipated Schedule

The following schedule has been proposed:

Public Hearing – December 16, 2015

Begin Right-of-Way Activities – June 2016

Award Contract & Start Construction – June 2017

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.

If you need more information or special assistance for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency, contact VDOT's Civil Rights Division at 757-925-2519, TTY/TDD 711.

Right of Way

The construction of this project will not require the displacement of any families, businesses or nonprofit organizations.

As we further develop and finalize the development of this project, additional easements for utility relocation may be required beyond the proposed right-of-way acquisition process and 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 contact listed on this brochure.