

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project involves the construction of a roundabout at the Route 15 and Old Route 360 intersection in Charlotte County. The concept includes removing the northbound and southbound legs of Old US 360 and aligning two twelve-foot lanes along the current median.

This project will improve safety at the intersection. Route 15 had an Average Daily Traffic (ADT) volume of 4,586 vehicles in 2018. In the project Design Year (2044), the estimated ADT is 5,779.

During construction, flaggers will assist motorists and maintain traffic. No detours are anticipated and access to adjacent properties will be maintained at all times.

The design of this project is in compliance with the Stormwater Management Act, stormwater management standards and specifications approved by the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation. The construction of this project will conform to the nationwide best management practices, VDOT specifications, special provisions, and Virginia Department of Environmental Quality Regulations. Also, during construction every reasonable effort will be made to protect the environment with respect to dust and erosion.

Project Graphic



Estimated Project Cost

Total Cost:
\$5, 217,268

Preliminary Engineering:
\$757, 546

Right of Way:
\$255, 074

Construction:
\$4,204, 648

The project will be financed using federal and state funds.

Environmental Review

VDOT's Lynchburg 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 NEPA document in the form of a Programmatic Categorical Exclusion (PCE) 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.

Also, 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 provided in the project's environmental documentation.

The project will continue to be coordinated with appropriate federal, state, and local agencies as part of various environmental review processes; and 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 on the project website. Representatives from VDOT's Environmental Section are available to discuss this information and to answer questions.

Anticipated Schedule

The following schedule has been proposed:

Design hearing comment period – ends November 22

Adopt design – January 6, 2021

Authorize Right of Way – May 18, 2021

Advertise for Construction – July 22, 2022

Construction complete – October 25, 2024

Civil Rights

VDOT ensures nondiscrimination and equal employment in all programs and activities in accordance with Title VI and 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 in this brochure.

Right of Way

The construction of the Route 15 roundabout at Old Route 360 will require the displacement of no businesses, no families, and no non-profit organizations.

As we further develop the design of 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 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.

After this meeting, information regarding right of way may be obtained from the right of way contact listed on the back of this brochure.

Get Involved

Ten days after this public hearing, on November 22, 2020, the public comment period will close. VDOT will review and evaluate any information received as a result of this virtual design hearing. This information, including the hearing summary, will be available for review at the VDOT office address listed below.

After all comments have been addressed, 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.

Comments can be submitted online or in writing to anthony.revelle@vdot.virginia.gov. Please include "Route 15 Virtual Design Public Hearing Comments" in the subject line. Information must be postmarked, emailed or delivered to VDOT within 10 calendar days of today's meeting, on November 22, 2020, in order to be included in the virtual design public hearing record.

All comments submitted will become a part of the meeting transcript and will be made available to the public.

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Virtual Design Public Hearing

Route 15, Farmville Hwy Charlotte County

Thursday, November 12, 2020 4-6 pm
Back-up date: Thursday, Nov. 19

<http://www.virginiadot.org/route15charlotteco/>

Public Meeting

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) welcomes you to the Virtual Design Public Hearing for the Route 15, Farmville Highway project. The project limits are from 0.039 miles south of Route 15 Business to 0.123 miles north of Route 15 Business, an approximate length of 0.162 miles.

This virtual design public hearing is being held to provide an opportunity for any person, acting on his/her own behalf or representing a group or governing agency, to give the department 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 VDOT representatives are present to discuss the project and answer your questions.

A comment sheet is included in the meeting materials 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



Anticipated Cost – Approximately \$5.27 million

Purpose – to construct a roundabout at Route 15 and Old Route 360 to improve safety at the intersection

From – 0.039 miles south of Route 15 Business

To – 0.123 miles north of Route 15 Business

Total length – 0.162 miles

State Project Number: 6015-019-859, P101; UPC 110767
Federal Project Number: STP-0193(041)