



WHAT'S NEW

Final EIS to be Issued in December

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) are developing the Final Environmental Impact Statement (Final EIS), which is scheduled to be issued by December 31, 2020. Following the issuance of the Final EIS, there will be a 30-day public review period.

The Virginia Marine Resource Commission, US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) are currently evaluating the [Joint Permit Application](#) (JPA). The public notice periods for the USACE and the DEQ have ended and a decision on water quality permits is anticipated in early 2021.



WHAT'S NEXT

FHWA Record of Decision Anticipated in January

As the final step in the Environmental Impact Statement process, FHWA is anticipated to publish the Record of Decision (ROD) in the Federal Register by January 31, 2021. The ROD is a document that states the federal decision, defines alternatives considered including the preferred alternative, and addresses mitigation plans.

Currently, the water permitting agencies are evaluating the JPA and are expected to issue permit decisions by February 15, 2021. As we approach the end of the study process, VDOT will share email updates when the Final EIS is available and when the Record of Decision and permits are issued.

Upcoming Study Milestones



FHWA Issues
Record of Decision



Water
Quality Permits
Obtained

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