SUFFOLK – The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) invites citizens to participate in the Bowers Hill Interchange Improvements Study by watching an online video presentation and taking a survey posted at BowersHillInterchange.org. This is the first virtual scoping meeting for the department.

VDOT, in coordination with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), has begun the process to evaluate potential improvements at the Bowers Hill Interchange in Chesapeake where I-64, I-264, I-664, Route 58, Route 13 and Jolliff Road (Route 191) meet. An environmental review began in February, and the study is expected to finish in early 2020.

As part of VDOT’s new Virtual Scoping Process, citizens are invited to visit BowersHillInterchange.com, watch an informational video explaining the purpose of the Bowers Hill Interchange Improvements Study, the Virtual Scoping Process and the type of input that will help VDOT refine its recommendations. VDOT’s new process is designed to make meeting materials more readily available to stakeholders and encourage public participation.

About 150,000 vehicles pass through the Bowers Hill Interchange daily on average. The Bowers Hill Interchange Improvements Study will identify potential short-term and long-term operational improvements. Improving operational efficiency at the interchange is also expected to improve safety for motorists. The limits of the study will be determined and refined through the scoping process.

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