WHAT'S NEW?

This month, the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) will host a Citizen Comment Opportunity to present the preliminary concepts for improvements for the Bowers Hill Interchange Improvements Study. VDOT is seeking input from citizens and organizations on the preliminary alternative concepts to be carried forward and will share next steps for the Study.

Materials, including a brochure, boards, and frequently asked questions, are currently available online for review. The Citizen Comment Opportunity presentation will be available online March 15, 2021. Comments can be submitted online or postmarked by March 25, 2021. To view the Citizen Comment Opportunity materials, please visit the study website at bowershillinterchange.com.

WHAT'S NEXT?

Following the Citizen Comment Opportunity, VDOT and local, state, and federal partnering agencies will come to an agreement on the range of concepts to be carried forward in the Study, which will be included in the FHWA’s notice of intent (NOI) that formally initiates the NEPA study. The NOI is anticipated to be posted in the Federal Register in May 2021 and will be posted on the study website as well.

VDOT, in conjunction with agency partners, will then refine these alternatives, assess their potential impacts on the surrounding resources, and identify the recommended preferred alternative to inform development of the Study.

It is assumed this study will be an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), which documents analysis of possible social, economic and natural environmental impacts that could result from potential improvements. As part of the study process, VDOT also plans to request federal authorizations for the future project.

PLEASE PROVIDE COMMENTS

Comment Period Closes Mar. 25, 2021

Take the online survey to provide comments on the preliminary concepts presented at: bowershillinterchange.com

Email comments to: bowershill@vdot.virginia.gov

Mail written comments to: Bowers Hill Interchange Improvements Study 11827 Canon Blvd, Suite 402 Newport News, VA 23606 (Must be postmarked by Mar. 25, 2021)

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