Ten days after this public hearing, the public comment period will close on April 8, 2018.

A comment sheet is enclosed and can be submitted at tonight’s hearing or by mail to VDOT. Comments also may be submitted by email to brian.blevins@vdot.virginia.gov.

Information must be postmarked, e-mailed or delivered to VDOT within 10 calendar days of tonight’s hearing in order to be included in the hearing record.

VDOT representatives will review and evaluate any information received as a result of the hearing. This information, including the hearing summary, will be available for review at the VDOT office address listed in this brochure.

Project information shared here is available for review after the public hearing at VDOT’s Salem Residency Office located at 714 South Broad Street in Salem, Virginia 24153.

After all comments have been addressed, the information received as a result of this 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.

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The primary purpose of this project is to improve safety and traffic flow at the intersection of Route 311 and Route 419 in Roanoke County at Hanging Rock by replacing the signalized intersection with a roundabout.

Significant congestion occurs at this intersection during peak travel times. As of 2016, approximately 14,000 vehicles use this intersection each day.

Constructing a roundabout can enhance safety, improve traffic flow and cost less to build and maintain when compared to traditional intersections.

In addition to the roundabout, the project also includes the following improvements:
- Improving and resurfacing the nearby park and ride lot
- Adding paved shoulders for bicycle use
- Constructing pedestrians crosswalks to connect to the Hanging Rock Battlefield Trail

Temporary lane closures and traffic shifts may be necessary during construction. Access to all properties and businesses will be maintained during construction.

The design of this project is in compliance with the Stormwater Management Act, stormwater regulations and the annual stormwater management standards and specifications approved by the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation. Potential impacts to the flood plains will be evaluated and addressed on this project.

The construction of this project will conform to the nationwide best management practices, VDOT specifications and special provisions, and the Virginia Department of Soil and Water conservation regulations. Also, during construction, every reasonable effort will be made to protect the environment with respect to dust and erosion control.

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Available Funding: $1.9 million
- Preliminary Engineering: $316,000
- Right of Way and Utilities: $369,000
- Construction: $1.27 million

These costs are subject to change because development of the project is in its early design stages. The project will be funded using state funds.

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

As VDOT further develops and finalizes this project, additional easements for utility relocation may be required beyond the proposed right of way shown on the public hearing plans.

Construction will not require the displacement of any families, businesses or non-profit organizations.

Information about right of way purchase is discussed in VDOT’s brochure entitled “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.