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At the conclusion of the analysis of alternatives it is evident that no alternative stands above the others as a superior solution to the safety and capacity issues in the study area. Each of the evaluated alternatives has advantages and disadvantages. Of the six evaluated alternatives, Alternative 1B (Truck Stop Acquisition) does not bring the same advantages as the other alternatives and rates as the least desirable option. Of the remaining alternatives, Alternatives 1, 1A and 4 are more effective in addressing the safety, capacity, and cost evaluation criteria. As the process continues input will be received from VDOT, FHWA, the PAC, and the public. Comments from each group will be incorporated into this report. The report will be finalized including a recommendation of a preferred alternative to be carried forward into the design phase of the project. The preferred alternative could be any one of the studied alternatives or a combination thereof.