Elizabeth River Tunnels/MLK Expressway

Portsmouth/Norfolk

Cost: $2.1 Billion


About the Project: Both lanes of the new Midtown Tunnel are open to westbound traffic. The second lane opened in August 2016. Both lanes of the old Midtown Tunnel are now open to eastbound traffic during the morning rush hour. The Martin Luther King (MLK) Extension, which connects I-264 to U.S. 58 and provides a seamless route between the Downtown and Midtown tunnels, opened to traffic in November 2016. Rehabilitation of the existing Downtown Tunnel is complete, and rehabilitation of the original Midtown Tunnel is scheduled to be completed by 2018.
Route 460 Improvements

UPDATE: The Route 460 Project will not move forward. The project was not recommended for funding under the Commonwealth’s new Smart Scale program.

Suffolk/Isle of Wight County

Cost: $375-425 Million

Current Status: The Route 460 Project is not advancing.

About the Project: With a USACE permit granted, the state requested the project be scored under the new Smart Scale program to determine whether the project should be built. The project improves 460 from Suffolk to just west of Zuni and includes a new four-lane divided highway from a new U.S. 460/58 Interchange in Suffolk to west of Windsor. From west of Windsor to west of Zuni, the existing U.S. 460 would be upgraded to a four-lane divided highway and a new bridge would be built across the Blackwater River to eliminate long-standing flooding problems.