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Comments may be submitted orally or in writing at the public hearing; by mail to Brian Arnold, Project Manager, 1601 Orange Road, Culpeper, VA 22701; or by email to Brian.Arnold@VDOT.Virginia.gov.

Comments must be postmarked, emailed or delivered to VDOT by March 21, 2020 in order to be included in the public hearing record.

After the public comment period closes, VDOT will review and evaluate any information received as a result of this hearing. This information, including the hearing summary, will be available for review at the VDOT Culpeper District office.

More information on this project can be found at www.virginiadot.org/projects/culpeper/route601bridge.

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Project Overview

Anticipated Cost – $3.3 million
Purpose – To replace the structurally deficient bridge over the Route 29/250 Bypass
Location – Approximately 250 feet east of Faulconer Drive
Improvements – Replace the bridge deck and beams, and modify the substructure to increase the vertical clearance for the 29/250 Bypass.
This project will replace the existing Route 601 (Old Ivy Road) bridge over the Route 29/250 Bypass in Albemarle County.

The existing bridge was built in 1961 and is considered structurally deficient.

VDOT proposes replacing the bridge deck and beams and modifying the substructure. The new bridge will be raised slightly to provide more vertical clearance on the Route 29/250 Bypass.

During construction, the bridge will be restricted to eastbound Route 601 traffic only. Westbound Route 601 traffic will be detoured. Eastbound Route 601 drivers should expect traffic shifts during construction.

The project is expected to be advertised for construction bids in October 2023 with construction beginning in early 2024. The Route 601 bridge carries approximately 8,000 vehicles per day.

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. 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.

Access to all properties will be maintained during construction.

Estimated Project Cost

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Cost is subject to change as the design is developed.

Environmental Review

VDOT’s Culpeper District Environmental office has performed environmental reviews and coordination to obtain information about environmental resources in the project vicinity, to provide natural and historic resource agencies an opportunity to review and comment on the project during its development; and to identify opportunities for avoidance, minimization and mitigation of potential environmental impacts.

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) is applicable to this project and required documentation has been developed in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration and in accordance with federal guidelines.

All required environmental clearances and permits will be obtained prior to commencement of construction. Strict compliance with all environmental conditions and commitments resulting from regulatory approvals and implementation of VDOT’s specifications and standard best management practices will protect the environment during construction.

Representatives are available to discuss this information and to answer questions.

Anticipated Schedule

The following schedule has been proposed:

- Public hearing: March 11, 2020
- Public comment period ends: March 21, 2020
- Right of way acquisition and utility relocation: Winter 2022
- Construction advertisement: Winter 2023
- Construction completion: Winter 2024

Project schedule is subject to change.

Civil Rights

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 with regard 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.

Right of Way

The replacement of the Route 601 bridge over the Route 29/250 Bypass will not require the displacement of any families, businesses or non-profit organizations.

As the project is developed further, additional right of way for utility relocation or construction may be required beyond the proposed limits shown on the public hearing plans. The property owners will be informed of the exact location of the easements during the right of way acquisition process and prior to construction.

Information about right of way purchase is discussed in VDOT’s Right of Way and Utilities brochure, “A Guide for Property Owners and Tenants.” Copies of this brochure are available on the VDOT website and from any VDOT Right of Way agent.

After the public hearing, information regarding right of way may be obtained from the Right of Way contact listed on the back of this brochure.