Interstate 95 Safety Improvements at Route 3

City of Fredericksburg

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Project Team

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- Branch Civil, Inc.
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Agenda

- Project improvements
- What drivers can expect during construction
- How you can stay informed
- Audience questions

Fast Facts: Construction

- Construction begins June 26, 2017
- Approximately 18 months of construction
- Construction completion in January 2019
- Project total cost is $21 million
- Funded by federal Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) to reduce crashes, injuries and fatalities

What will the project do?

Modify the on- and off-ramps at interchange to reduce vehicle merging and weaving

I-95 Southbound to Route 3 Westbound

Existing condition:

- **Unsignalized weave movement to Carl D. Silver Parkway**
- **Single lane on I-95 southbound exit ramp**

After construction:

- **Exit ramp extended and widened to 2 lanes**
- **Separate free-flow lane directly leads to Carl D. Silver Parkway at Central Park, with no merging required**
- **Triple right turn lanes for Route 3 westbound traffic, controlled by a new traffic signal**

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Route 3 Eastbound to I-95 Northbound

Existing condition:

- **Short merge area on Route 3 eastbound and interstate for traffic entering, exiting at Exit 130**
- **Single lane on-ramp to I-95 northbound**

After construction:

- **Triple left turn lanes to I-95 northbound**
- **Existing loop ramp is removed**
- **I-95 northbound on-ramp extended and widened**

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NORTHBOUND

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Estimated Construction Schedule

Summer – Fall 2017

- Sign installation, placement of concrete barrier
- Utility relocation
- Clearing and grading
- Construction starts to build new ramps and lanes

Fall – Late 2017

- Brief detours for utility placement at Central Park entrance at Carl D. Silver Parkway
- New traffic signal activated on Route 3 westbound for new triple right turn lanes at I-95 southbound exit ramp

Estimated Construction Schedule

Spring – Summer 2018

- New separate free-flow lane opens leading directly to Carl D. Silver Parkway
- Construction on Route 3 eastbound for triple left turn lanes

Fall 2018 – January 2019

- New traffic signal activated at triple left turn lanes on Route 3 eastbound to I-95 northbound entrance ramp
- Existing I-95 northbound entrance loop ramp from Route 3 eastbound closes
- Potential noise barrier construction along I-95 northbound

How will construction affect my trip?

- More than 80,000 vehicles a day travel Route 3 near Interstate 95
- More than 145,000 vehicles a day on I-95
- Busy commercial area and travel hub
- Drivers can expect lanes to remain open at peak morning and afternoon travel times
- Most impactful work will be scheduled for overnight and off-peak hours

How will construction affect my trip?

Pardon our dust!

- Equipment
- Barrels, cones and workers
- Stay alert for new traffic patterns
- Temporary driving surface may be rough
- New pavement surface placed at end of project
- *511Virginia.org* has real-time work zone information

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