Express Lanes: How They Work

- Carpools (HOV-3+), buses and motorcycles travel toll-free
- Drivers traveling alone or with one passenger have an option to pay a toll for a faster trip, even during rush hours
- Dynamic tolls adjust based on real-time traffic, to keep drivers moving – tolls maintain highway speeds and ensure that federally required performance standards are met
- Current toll prices are displayed on signs before entry points
- E-ZPass is required for all drivers – E-ZPass is accepted at all times
- HOV-3 travels free with E-ZPass Flex
- Regular lanes remain free of charge at all times
- E-ZPass is required for all drivers

TOLL PRICES
- Real-time data is collected
- Information is analyzed and a toll is calculated and displayed on the pricing sign
- The pricing ensuring free-flowing travel speeds
- There are federal requirements to maintain minimum travel speeds and there is no maximum toll rate
- Dynamic tolls help to ensure requirements are met
- Tolls during off-peak hours cover operating and maintenance costs
- Dynamic tolls adjust as traffic increases, toll price increase to manage demand, toll price adjust as often as every 15 minutes
- On-road technology collects data to price specific trips

STAY INFORMED
- Get the latest project information and sign up to receive regular updates by visiting http://www.virginiadot.org/395Express or email your questions and comments to: 395expresslanes@VDOT.Virginia.gov
- Request a briefing for your homeowners’ association, neighborhood, community group, or service organization by emailing 395expresslanes@VDOT.Virginia.gov

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Next Steps

September 2016: Public Hearing
December 2016: Design Build Contract Award
December 2016: Final Environmental Document
December 2016: Final Transit / TDM Study

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Project Overview and Location

Purpose and Need: Develop a transportation solution that improves roadway conditions throughout the corridor by:
- Reducing congestion
- Providing additional travel choices
- Improving travel predictability
- Improving roadway safety

Project Limits:
From: I-395 from north of Edsall Road
To: Eads Street near the Pentagon
Total Length: 8 miles
Project Description

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), has initiated a study for the Interstate 395 (I-395) Express Lanes Northern Extension Project to extend the I-95 Express Lanes in the City of Alexandria, and Arlington and Fairfax Counties, Virginia. Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), as amended, and in accordance with FHWA regulations, an Environmental Assessment (EA) is being prepared to analyze and document the potential social, economic, and environmental effects associated with the proposed transportation improvements.

Development Framework Agreement

- The Comprehensive Agreement executed in 2012 with 95 Express, LLC (95 Express) contemplated the potential future development of the extension of the I-95 Express Lanes along the I-395 corridor.
- In November 2015, VDOT and 95 Express signed a Development Framework Agreement outlining the initial roles and responsibilities for the I-395 Express Lanes Project.
- Agreement Terms:
  - Improvements to be built largely within VDOT’s existing right of way
  - VDOT and 95 Express will work together to finalize the scope, finance plan and agreement
  - 95 Express will provide a long-term transit investment through annual transit payments for the Agreement Term (2087)

VDOT Responsibilities

- Planning/Environmental Approvals
  - Inclusion in MWCOG Transportation Planning Board’s Constrained Long Range Plan (CLRP)
  - Public Outreach
  - Environmental Assessment and supporting technical studies
  - Preliminary Noise Wall Work
  - Interchange Modification Report (IMR)
- Federal, State and Local Agency Coordination
- Transit/TDM Study (conducted by

95 Express Responsibilities

- Preliminary Engineering and Design
- Cost Estimating
- Finance Plan
- Design-Build Procurement
- Community Outreach
- Construction and Operation of the I-395 Express Lanes

Anticipated Schedule

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Express Lanes Access

Civil Rights

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Right of Way

Information about right of way acquisition is discussed in VDOT’s brochure, “Right of Way and Utilities: A Guide for Property Owners and Tenants.” Copies of this brochure are available this evening from a right of way representative or at www.vdot.virginia.gov/business/resources/Right_of_Way/A_Guide_for_Property_Owners_and_Tenants.pdf

Environmental Review

VDOT is preparing an Environmental Assessment (EA) to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). To inform the EA, VDOT is conducting necessary environmental analysis and coordinating with appropriate regulatory agencies to obtain information about environmental resources in the vicinity of the project.