Public Information Meeting

Route 29 Northbound
Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements
Fairfax County

Tuesday, March 5, 2019
6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Presentation starts at 7 p.m.

Fairhill Elementary School
3001 Chichester Lane
Fairfax, VA 22031

Welcome to the Virginia Department of Transportation’s (VDOT) public information meeting about plans to construct missing segments of the shared-use path along northbound Route 29 (Lee Highway) between Vaden Drive and Nutley Street (Route 243) to improve safety and accessibility for bicyclists and pedestrians. We look forward to your active participation.

This meeting is being held to provide an opportunity for residents and organizations to give VDOT comments and/or suggestions on the proposed project. VDOT strives to ensure that all members of the community have the opportunity to participate in public decisions on transportation projects and programs affecting them.

VDOT representatives are here to discuss the project and answer your questions. We’ve included a comment sheet with this brochure and encourage your input. All written comments received will be reviewed by the design team, summarized and made available on the VDOT project website.

Project at a Glance

Purpose: Aims to improve safety and accessibility by constructing missing segments of the shared-use path for bicyclists and pedestrians

Lengths and Limits: Vaden Drive to Nutley Street

Phase: In Design

Construction Begin Date: Summer 2021

Cost: $2.1 million

These costs are subject to change as the project is further developed. This project is being funded with the I-66 concession fee.
This project will construct missing segments of the shared-use path along northbound Route 29 between Vaden Drive and Nutley Street (Route 243) to improve safety and accessibility for bicyclists and pedestrians. The project will also extend the Route 29 culvert over the tributary of Accotink Creek just west of Nutley Street to accommodate the shared-use path.

The project is being funded by part of the concession fee provided under the Transform 66 Outside the Beltway Project Comprehensive Agreement.

Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and 23 CFR 771, a NEPA document in the form of a Programmatic Categorical Exclusion (PCE) will be prepared for this project under a Programmatic Agreement between VDOT and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). The PCE will include information about potential impacts to environmental resources within the project’s vicinity.

Preliminary right of way impacts presented on the displays are conceptual in nature and may change as the design is refined. 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 brochure, “Right of Way and Utilities: Guide for Property Owners and Tenants.”

Copies of this brochure are available here from VDOT personnel. After this meeting, information regarding right of way may be obtained from Brian Costello at brian.costello@vdot.virginia.gov and 703-259-2986.

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Comments must be postmarked, emailed or delivered to VDOT by March 15, 2019. Mail comments to Hong Ha, P.E. at the address below or email meetingcomments@vdot.virginia.gov. Please include “Route 29 Northbound Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements” in the subject line.

Project information shared here, including a summary of comments received during the comment period, will be available at www.virginiadot.org/projects and at VDOT’s Northern Virginia District Office.
All comments are subject to public disclosure.

Name (optional): __________________________

Address (optional): ________________________

Email (optional): __________________________

1. What are your concerns that you would like to see incorporated into this project?

2. Please provide us with any additional information or suggestions that will assist VDOT in completing this project.

3. How did you hear about this meeting?

   _____ Newspaper   _____ Social Media   _____ Website   _____ Other _________________________________
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Northern Virginia District
Ms. Hong Ha, P.E.
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Fairfax, VA 22030
PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

Route 29 Northbound Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements Between Vaden Drive and Nutley Street (Route 243) Project No. 0029-029-414, P101, R201, C501; UPC:113518

Tuesday, March 5, 2019
6:30 to 8:30 p.m. (Presentation at 7 pm)
Presentation Agenda

- **Introduction**
  - Andy Beacher, P.E., VDOT Preliminary Engineering, Project Sponsor
- **Project Overview**
  - Andy Beacher, P.E., VDOT Preliminary Engineering, Project Sponsor
- **Conceptual Design**
  - Lanksford Hankins Jr., P.E., VDOT CO District Design Manager
- **Project Schedule and Cost Summary**
  - Andy Beacher, P.E., VDOT Preliminary Engineering, Project Sponsor
- **Questions and Answers**
Project Location Map

• Route 29 northbound between Vaden Drive and Nutley Street (Route 243)
Purpose & Need

• Constructs missing segments of the shared-use path along northbound Route 29 between Vaden Drive and Nutley Street (Route 243).

• Improves safety and accessibility for bicyclists and pedestrians to Nutley Street south of I-66, the Gerry Connolly Cross County Trail, and other facilities.

• Improves access to the Vienna Metrorail station.

• Allows more commuters to make trips by walking, biking, and transit instead of cars.
Route 29 Northbound Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements

Existing Site Conditions
Route 29 Northbound Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements

Proposed Plan
Design Features

Typical Section

10' Shared Use Path along
Rte. 29 Lee Highway

14' Shared Use Path over
Hunters Branch Tributary of Accotink Creek
Design Features

Extend Box Culvert at Hunters Branch Tributary of Accotink Creek
Design Features

- Precautions shall be taken avoid or minimize impacts to Hunters Branch during construction.
Design Features

Avoid utility impacts along Route 29 Northbound
Design Features

Avoid utility impacts along the Fairfax County Park Authority, Fairfax County School Board, and Ox Group, LLC parcels
## Anticipated Project Schedule

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<td>September 2018</td>
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<td>March 5, 2019</td>
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<td>March 15, 2019</td>
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<td>Willingness Posting</td>
<td>Spring 2019</td>
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<td>Design Approval</td>
<td>Fall 2019</td>
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<td>Begin Right of Way Acquisition and Utility Relocation</td>
<td>Winter 2019/2020</td>
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<td>Begin Construction</td>
<td>Summer 2021</td>
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## Estimated Project Cost and Funding

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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
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* As of 3/5/2019. Estimates are subject to change with project development.

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<td>I-66 Concessionaire</td>
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Questions?

- Staff will be available to answer questions at the display boards following a brief question and answer period.
- Contact information:

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- Email comments to MeetingComments@vdot.virginia.gov:
  - Please include “Route 29 Northbound Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements” in subject line
  - Comment period ends: March 15, 2019
- Project information for this meeting is available at:
  - www.virginiadot.org/projects
  - VDOT’s Northern Virginia Office