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All comments must be postmarked, e-mailed or delivered to VDOT within 11 calendar days of today's meeting (Monday, October 4, 2010) in order to be included in the public hearing record.

Comments may be submitted via e-mail to meeting_comments@vdot.virginia.gov. Be sure to include "Telegraph Road Improvements" in the subject line.

VDOT representatives will review and evaluate any information received as a result of the public hearing.

At the end of the public hearing comment period, a summary of the public hearing comments will be posted at www.VirginiaDOT.org.

Project information shared here will be available for review after the public hearing at www.VirginiaDOT.org/projects and at VDOT's Northern Virginia District Office.

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Design Public Hearing

Telegraph Road (Route 611) Fairfax County

Thursday, September 23, 2010, 5 – 8 p.m.
Hayfield Secondary School
7630 Telegraph Rd., Alexandria, VA

Public Meeting

Welcome to the Virginia Department of Transportation's (VDOT) public hearing on proposed improvements to Telegraph Road. We look forward to your active participation.

This public hearing is being held to provide an opportunity for citizens 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 present to discuss the project and answer your questions.

A comment sheet is included in the handouts for this meeting, and your input is encouraged. All oral and written comments received on this project will be included in a transcript for review by VDOT personnel, citizens and other interested parties.

VDOT staff will address questions and concerns raised as a result of this meeting before the project is presented to VDOT's chief engineer for consideration.

Project Overview



Purpose – Relieve congestion, improve safety, and provide bicycle and pedestrian accommodations

From – South Van Dorn Street (Route 613)

To – South Kings Highway (Route 633)

Total length – 0.39 mile

Improvements – Add turn lanes, a raised median, on-road bike accommodations, a five-foot sidewalk, a 10-foot shared-use path and stormwater management facilities.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The improvements from South Van Dorn Street to South Kings Highway (0.39 mile) would include:

- One right-turn lane from northbound Telegraph Road to South Kings Highway
- One right-turn lane from southbound Telegraph Road to South Van Dorn Street
- Dual left-turn lanes from South Kings Highway to southbound Telegraph Road
- A raised median
- Striped bicycle lanes and/or wide curb lanes, depending on lane configuration
- A five-foot-wide sidewalk on the east
- A 10-foot-wide shared-use path on the west
- Replacement of the culvert carrying Dogue Creek under the road
- Reconstruction of the Huntley Meadows Park entrance and parking lot on South Kings Highway
- Stormwater management facilities

Utilities to be relocated include a water main, sewer lines, gas line and overhead utility lines.

Should funding become available in the future, the design includes plans for a southbound through lane as well as dual left-turn lanes from northbound Telegraph Road to South Van Dorn Street.



Project Graphic

Telegraph Road Typical Section



Estimated Project Cost

Total Cost:

\$10 million

Engineering of Roadway Plans:

\$ 1.5 million

Right of Way Acquisition, Relocation Assistance and Utility Relocation:

\$1 million

Construction:

\$7.5 million

This project will be designed and constructed by VDOT and funded by Fairfax County. Costs are subject to change as the project is in the early design stage.

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 or special assistance for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency, contact VDOT's Civil Rights Division at 703-383-2341 or TTY/TDD 711.

Right of Way

Displays at this meeting show the extent of right of way that may be needed as the project is currently proposed. As the design is further developed, additional easements and right of way may be required beyond what is shown in the preliminary plans. Property owners will be informed of the exact location of the easements during the right of way acquisition process and prior to construction.

Frontage along several residential properties will be acquired, and the total taking of one residence is anticipated. Additionally, some land will need to be acquired from the Fairfax County Park Authority.

Information about right of way purchase is discussed in VDOT's brochure, "Right of Way and Utilities: a Guide for Property Owners and Tenants." Copies of this brochure are available here from a VDOT right of way agent.

Anticipated Schedule

The following schedule is proposed:

- **Public hearing** – September 2010
- **Begin land acquisition** – Early 2011
- **Begin construction** – 2013

Environmental Review

Through on-site inspection, coordination, and correspondence with State and local resource agencies, VDOT's Northern Virginia District Environmental Section has determined that this project will not have significant impacts to streams or wetlands, threatened or endangered species, cultural resources, recreational resources, or air quality. Actions to mitigate impacts will be developed in accordance with state and federal requirements as the project design advances.

This is not a Federal-aid project, thus the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) is not applicable. An environmental document, such as an Environmental Assessment, is not required. However, an Environmental Overview documenting existing conditions and likely environmental impacts is available for review at this public meeting.