Get Involved

Project information shared here is available for review after the public hearing at the location listed below:

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Comments can be submitted in writing to:
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Please include “PH Route 259 Linville Creek Bridge Comment” in the subject line.

Ten days after this public hearing, on June 23, 2019, the public comment period will close.

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 office address listed below.

After all comments have been addressed the information received as a result of the hearing will be presented to VDOT’s Chief Engineer or designee for consideration.

If approval of the major design features is received for this project, it will move forward to the final design phase.

Public hearing participants will be notified of this decision by letter.

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Welcome to the Virginia Department of Transportation’s (VDOT) design public hearing for replacing the Linville Creek Bridge on Lee Street (Route 259) in the town of Broadway in Rockingham County. The project is a 0.14-mile long project and extends from Holly Hill Street to Main Street (Route 42).

This meeting is being held to provide an opportunity for any person, acting or not as his/her own behalf or representing a group or governing agency, to give the department 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.

Project Overview

Cost - $7.5 million
Purpose - This project replaces an existing substandard bridge.
From - Intersection with Holly Hill Street
To - Intersection with Route 42 (Main Street)
Total length - 0.14-mile long
Improvements - Construct new bridge in the same footprint as the existing structure.

Bridge over Linville Creek

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The project replaces the Linville Creek Bridge on Lee Street (Route 259) in the Town of Broadway. This 0.14-mile long project extends from Holly Hill Street to Main Street (Route 42). The existing bridge was built in 1951 and has reached the end of its service life. The bridge is approximately 192-feet long and has two 12-foot travel lanes and a four-foot wide sidewalk on the southern side of the structure.

The new bridge will have two paved travel lanes on both approaches with curb and gutter that will tie back into the existing roadway. The new deck will be 30-feet wide, from curb-to-curb. The new bridge will be built along the same footprint as the existing structure.

During construction a temporary bridge will be built just north of the current structure. Traffic will use the temporary bridge while the current structure is replaced with the new bridge. Traffic flow during construction will be designed to have minimal impacts to the local school, business and commercial interests in the area.

In 2016 Route 259 had an average daily traffic count of 9,300 vehicles per day. By the design year of 2045 the estimated average daily traffic volume is 13,300 vehicles per day.

The design of this project is in compliance with the Stormwater Management Act, stormwater regulations and the Department of Environmental Quality Stormwater Management Act. 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. Also, during construction, every reasonable effort will be made to protect the environment with respect to dust and erosion control. Access to all properties will be maintained during construction.

Potential Impacts to the flood plains will be evaluated and addressed on this project.

### Estimated Project Cost

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This cost is subject to change.

### Anticipated Schedule

- **Consideration for Design Approval** – Spring 2020
- **Begin Acquisition of Right of Way** – Fall 2020
- **Construction** – Fall 2021

### 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 special assistance for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency, contact the project manager at the phone numbers listed on the back of this brochure.

### Environmental Review

VDOT’s Staunton 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 a Programmatic Categorical Exclusion (PCE) NEPA document has been developed in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration and in accordance with federal guidelines. The NEPA document includes information from various technical reviews including those related to natural resources, water quality, threatened and endangered species, air quality, noise, etc. In compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106 and 36 CFR Part 800, information concerning the potential effects of the proposed project on properties listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places is also provided in the environmental documentation.

The project will continue to be coordinated with the appropriate federal, state, and local agencies as part of environmental review and approval processes required throughout project development and construction. 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.

The NEPA document and the results of other environmental studies are available at today’s meeting. Representatives from VDOT’s Environmental Section are available to discuss this information and answer questions.

### Right of Way

The construction of the project will not require the displacement of any families, businesses or non-profit organizations.

As we further develop and finalize the development of this project, additional easements for utility relocation may be required beyond the proposed right of way 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 acquisition is discussed in VDOT’s brochure entitled, Right of Way and Utilities: a Guide for Property Owners and Tenants. Copies of this brochure are available from a VDOT right of way agent.

After this meeting, information regarding right of way may be obtained from the right of way contact listed on the back of this brochure.