

## Get Involved

The public comment period will close 10 days after this public hearing on August 13, 2016. VDOT representatives will review and evaluate any information received as a result of the public hearing.

Subject to the availability of funding and acquisition of right of way, construction on the project could begin in 2019.

Project information shared here is available for review after the public hearing at VDOT's Salem District Office located at 731 Harrison Ave.,

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Comments can also be submitted in writing to saleminfo@vdot.virginia.gov. Information must be postmarked, e-mailed or delivered to VDOT within 10 calendar days of today's hearing in order to be included in the public hearing record.

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Design Public Hearing

## Route 122 (Moneta Road) Bridge Replacement Bedford County

Wednesday, August 3, 2016, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.  
Inclement weather date: Wednesday, August 10, 2016, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.  
Moneta/Smith Mountain Lake Library  
13641 Moneta Road  
Moneta, VA 24121

## Public Hearing

**Welcome to the VDOT's public hearing on the replacement of the Route 122 (Moneta Road) Bridge over Goose Creek and the proposed realignment of the bridge approaches.**

This public hearing is being held to provide an opportunity for citizens or 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 reviewed by VDOT personnel and will be available for review by citizens and other interested parties.

VDOT staff will evaluate questions and concerns raised as a result of this meeting before advancing the project to advertisement.

## Project Overview



Route 122 bridge over Goose Creek

**Cost:** \$13.4 million

**Purpose** – To replace the aging bridge over Goose Creek on Route 122

**From:** 0.01 mile south of Route 801 (Stony Fork Road)

**To:** 1.72 miles south of Route 24

**Total Length:** 0.4 mile

**Improvements** –The existing bridge will be replaced slightly to the east of its current location, using phased construction. In addition, some safety improvements are planned on the bridge approaches.

## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Route 122 bridge over Goose Creek is located approximately three miles northeast of Moneta. The purpose of the project is to replace the existing bridge which is a steel beam bridge with tall column piers built in 1938. The bridge has reached the end of its lifespan and needs to be replaced.

As part of the bridge replacement project, there will be modifications to the curve located northeast of the bridge and to the Route 801 (Stony Fork Road) intersection.

Curve modifications include the addition of wider paved shoulders, two feet of space between the northbound and southbound lanes, edge line rumble strips and raised centerline pavement markers.

Safety enhancements at the Route 801 intersection include shifting Route 801 12 to 15 feet away from the nearby bridge, improving the turning radius from Route 801 onto Route 122 and creating better sight distance by widening pavement and slope excavation.

During construction, two lanes of traffic will be maintained throughout the duration of the project. Motorists should expect some delays associated with the work. Construction is expected to occur over a period of approximately 24 months.

Approximately 5,200 vehicles use the bridge each day which is expected to increase to 8,700 by the year 2040.

The design of this project is in compliance with the Stormwater Management Act, stormwater regulations and the annual stormwater management standards and specifications approved by the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation.

The construction of this project will conform to the nationwide best management practices, VDOT specifications and special provisions. Access to all properties will be maintained during construction.

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

### Project Graphic



Route 122 Bridge over Goose Creek Location Map

## Estimated Project Cost

Total Estimated Cost:  
**\$13.4 million**

Engineering of Roadway Plans:  
\$1.5 million

Right of Way:  
\$657,700

Construction:  
\$11.3 million

*This cost is subject to change because development of the project is in the early design stages. The project will be financed using state and federal funds.*

## 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 in regards to your civil rights on this project or special assistance for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency, contact the project manager listed on the back of this brochure.

## 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.

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 has been proposed:**

**Public Hearing and Comment period** – August 2016

**Authorize Right of Way Acquisition** – estimated January 2017

**Advertisement** – estimated October 2018

## Environmental Review

VDOT's Salem 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 NEPA document in the form of a categorical exclusion 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 to answer questions.