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## **ROUTE 646 SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT TO BEGIN** *Construction starting as early as March 14*

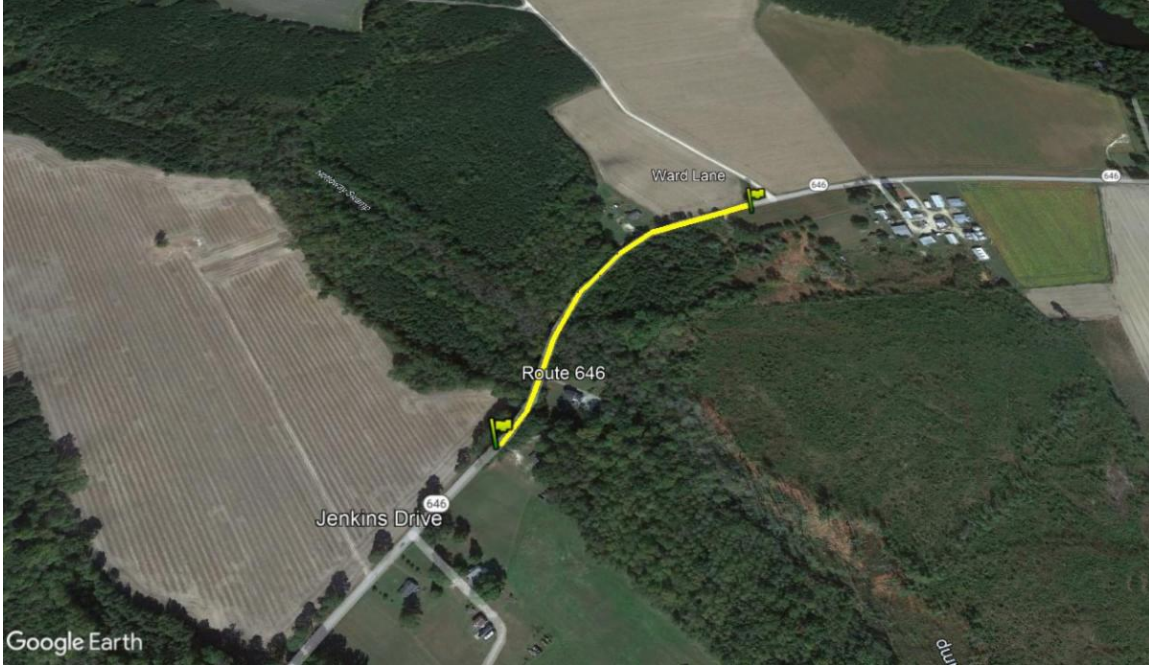
**SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY**– A Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) project to improve safety on a section of Route 646 (Governor Darden Road) between Jenkins Drive and Ward Lane in Southampton County is scheduled to begin construction as early as March 14.

Gray and Sons Construction Inc., headquartered in Southampton County, was awarded the \$667,657 construction contract to widen the shoulders on a section of Route 646 located approximately 3.5 miles east of the Courtland town line, between Jenkins Drive and Ward Lane. In addition to shoulder widening, improvements also include the regrading of side slopes and the installation of guardrail and traffic warning signs.

Throughout the duration of the project, motorists can expect mostly daytime single-lane closures on Route 646 in this area with flagging operations in place. Access will be maintained to all existing property entrances within this corridor.

Motorists will be advised of additional closures and detour information that may occur during the project. Construction is estimated to be complete in summer 2022. All construction work is dependent upon weather conditions.

Motorists are encouraged to visit [www.511virginia.org](http://www.511virginia.org), call 511, or download Virginia's free [511 mobile app](#), for current traffic and travel information. To learn about other VDOT Hampton Roads' projects, visit:  
<https://www.virginiadot.org/projects/hampton%20roads/default.asp>.



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