

# BOWERS HILL INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENTS STUDY



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## STUDY UPDATE

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) continues to coordinate with federal, state and local agencies involved in the Bowers Hill Interchange Improvements Study to complete the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). The DEIS, which is anticipated to be released this year, will contain information related to potential impacts to air quality, historic resources, natural resources, transportation improvements, environmental justice, noise, traffic, health and safety, socioeconomics and land use, and hazardous materials along with indirect and cumulative effects.

Once the DEIS is available, the public will have the opportunity to review and participate in an in-person and virtual public hearing, as well as provide comments during a 45-day open comment period. Public hearing materials, including informative study boards, brochure, maps, comment form and presentation, will be available on the [study website](#) in advance of the in-person public hearing. The public will be notified via the study website, this email list, social media and newspaper when the materials are available and public hearing dates have been confirmed.

In coordination with federal, state and local agencies, VDOT will document and consider all comments received and, if necessary, conduct further analyses. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) will then issue a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) that will include responses to all substantive comments, and the study will conclude when FHWA issues the Record of Decision (ROD).



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For questions related to the public comment opportunities or for assistance in obtaining copies of the public outreach materials, contact VDOT Public Affairs at 757-956-3033 or [bowershill@vdot.virginia.gov](mailto:bowershill@vdot.virginia.gov).