

## STUDY OVERVIEW

The project limits of the Fredericksburg Extension Study were included as part of the 2011 I-95 High Occupancy Toll (HOT) Lanes Environmental Assessment (EA). This study will assess the extension of the I-95 Express Lanes from Exit 133 (US 17 N) to Exit 143 (VA 610), along with access improvements at Exit 148 (Russell Road).

## History of the Fredericksburg Extension Study:

<b>1997 – 2002</b>	Multiple studies evaluated improvement options within the I-95 and I-395 corridors.
<b>2007 – 2009</b>	Studies and reports evaluated the potential effects of Express Lane expansion in the I-95 and I-395 corridors.
<b>2011</b>	A Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) was issued for the I-95 HOT Lanes Project EA. The EA was prepared by VDOT and FHWA, and evaluated environmental impacts of expanding HOT lanes in the I-95 corridor. Following the FONSI, the project was divided into construction sections for implementation.
<b>2014</b>	Construction of Express Lanes for the northern section (south of Dumfries Road to near Garrisonville Road) was completed.
<b>2015</b>	VDOT proposed extending the I-95 Express Lanes approximately 2 miles south beyond Exit 143 at Garrisonville as part of the I-95 Southern Extension. This study addressed issues with merging the I-95 southbound Express Lanes into the I-95 General Purpose Lanes. This work is now underway, with completion anticipated in 2018.  VDOT also proposed the I-395 Express Lanes to be extended for 8 miles north from Turkeycock Run to Arlington. This work is expected to begin in 2017, with the new extended lanes opening in 2019.
<b>2016</b>	The United States Department of Transportation awarded Virginia a FASTLANE grant to advance the Atlantic Gateway projects. The Fredericksburg Extension Study is part of the Atlantic Gateway.

## What is the Fredericksburg Extension Study?

- Update findings from the 2011 EA
- Review potential improvements
- Update environmental analysis