Get Involved

Thank you for taking the time to review the information presented here tonight. Your comments are important and are greatly appreciated. VDOT will carefully consider all comments received at this meeting and during the comment period.

Written comments must be postmarked or sent electronically no later than **October 1, 2021**. You may provide your comments by any of the following methods:

At This Meeting

Please leave your written comments in the designated box.

By Email

Fred.comments@VDOT.Virginia.gov

Please reference "Route 1/Fall Hill Avenue Improvements" in the subject line.

By Mail

You may submit your written comments to: Mr. Byrd Holloway, Project Manager Virginia Department of Transportation 87 Deacon Road Fredericksburg, VA 22405

Additional information can also be found on VDOT's website at

http://www.virginiadot.org/Route1andFallHillAvenue

The information received as a result of the meeting will be presented to VDOT's Project Development Engineer for consideration.

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

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Design Public Hearing US ROUTE 1 / FALL HILL AVENUE INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS

City of Fredericksburg

Tuesday, September 21, 2021, 5-7 p.m. Dorothy Hart Community Center 408 Canal Street Fredericksburg, VA 22401

Inclement Weather Date: Monday, September 28, 2021

Public Meeting

Welcome to the Virginia Department of Transportation's (VDOT) design public hearing on proposed improvements to the intersection of Route 1 and Fall Hill Avenue.

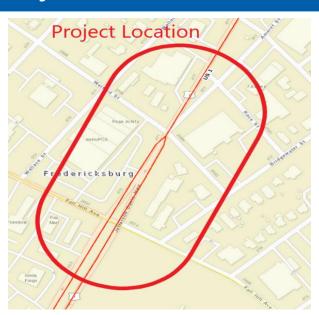
This Design Public Hearing is being held to provide an opportunity for citizens or organizations to provide VDOT comments and/or suggestions on the proposed project. VDOT strives to ensure that all members of the community have the opportunity to participate in public decisions on transportation projects and programs affecting them.

VDOT representatives are present to discuss the project and answer your questions.

A comment sheet is included in this meeting handout and your input is encouraged. All verbal and written comments received on this project will be included in a transcript for review by VDOT personnel, citizens and other interested parties.

VDOT staff will address questions and concerns raised as a result of this meeting before the project is presented to VDOT's Project Development Engineer for approval.

Project Overview



Cost - \$7,200,000

Purpose -

Improve the traffic flow at the intersection of US Route 1 and Fall Hill Avenue.

Improvements -

The project will add a southbound right turn lane and extend the northbound right turn lane on Route 1, provide three lanes on the Fall Hill Avenue western and eastern approaches, and convert Amaret Street to one way between Route 1 and Race Street.

State Project - 0001-111-316, C501 UPC 115117

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project area along U.S. Route 1 is a 4-lane facility with a posted speed limit of 35 mph.

The Fall Hill Avenue approaches at the intersection of U.S. Route 1 in the City of Fredericksburg contain shared through/right turn lanes and a left turn lane. The project will add another left turn lane to the eastbound approach and convert the through/right lane into a separate through lane and right turn lane on the westbound approach.

The project will also convert a portion of Amaret Street to a one-way condition and Race Street will no longer intersect with Route 1. These access management changes will improve safety.

Enhanced pedestrian accommodations will be provided to improve the safety of pedestrians traversing the intersection.

This project will be constructed in accordance with VDOT's current road and bridge standards and specifications to comply with federal and state regulations pertaining to public welfare and safety.

The construction will be performed in such a manner that traffic will be maintained with a minimum of inconvenience to the traveling public.

After the project is complete, the City of Fredericksburg will maintain the road.

Project Graphic



Estimated Project Cost

Total Project Cost: **\$7,200,000**Preliminary Engineering: \$800,000

Right of Way: \$2,900,000 Construction: \$3,500,000

Anticipated Schedule

The following schedule has been proposed:

Design Public Hearing – September 21, 2021

Comment Period – Comments due by October 1, 2021 **Acquire Right of Way** – March 2023 - November 2023

Advertise for Construction - Spring 2024

Environmental Review

VDOT's Fredericksburg District Environmental Office has performed environmental reviews and coordination to obtain information about environmental resources in the project vicinities; to provide natural and historic resource agencies an opportunity to review and comment on the projects during their 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) has been developed in accordance 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 the 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.

Representatives from VDOT's Environmental section are available to answer questions.

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 or special assistance for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency, contact VDOT's Civil Rights Division at 540-899-4288, TTY/TDD 711.

Right of Way

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

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 booklet 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.