



I-95/Route 630 (Courthouse Road) Reconstruction and Widening Stafford County, Virginia

Thank you for attending tonight's "Pardon Our Dust" meeting to discuss upcoming construction activities to widen Route 630 (Courthouse Road), and relocate and reconfigure Exit 140/Courthouse Road at Interstate 95 as a diverging diamond interchange. This project will also relocate the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Park & Ride lot on Courthouse Road.



Project Fast Facts

Design-Build Team:

Contractor:

Shirley Contracting Company, LLC

Designer:

Dewberry Consultants, LLC

Contract amount: \$99.9 million

Total project cost: \$149.4 million (interchange)
\$35.9 million (widening)

Construction start: Summer 2017

Project completion:

Courthouse Road widening: December 2019

I-95 diverging diamond interchange: July 2020

VDOT commuter Park & Ride lot: July 2020

Find real-time information on work zones, lane closures and traffic incidents on 511Virginia. Visit 511virginia.org, call 511 from any phone in Virginia, or download the free mobile 511Virginia app for iPhone or Android devices.

Radio, newspaper announcements and additional "Pardon Our Dust" meetings will be scheduled prior to major traffic pattern changes.

What will be done during this project?

Courthouse Road widening

- Construction begins in summer 2017
- Courthouse Road will be widened from two lanes to a median-divided four lane road, with left and right turn lanes at intersections
- Road will be widened from just west of Ramoth Church Road to Cedar Lane
- New traffic signal will be installed at entrance to Colonial Forge High School and Liberty Knolls subdivision entrance before beginning of 2017- 2018 school year.
- When the project is complete, Ramoth Church Road and Winding Creek Road will intersect at a new traffic signal
- On the north side of Courthouse Road, a 10 foot paved shared use trail will parallel the westbound lanes
- Sidewalk will be built on the south side of Courthouse Road, along the eastbound lanes, from Ramoth Church Road to just east of the Liberty Knolls intersection

Exit 140 Diverging Diamond Interchange

- Construction on new interchange bridges and ramps begins in fall 2017
- Drivers will continue to use existing I-95 interchange at Exit 140 until the new interchange opens in July 2020



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Exit 140 Diverging Diamond Interchange (continued)

- New interchange will be built approximately 700 feet south of the current interchange
- Courthouse Road from Cedar Lane to the east will be realigned with new interchange
- Courthouse Road will intersect with Route 1 at Hospital Center Boulevard
- New interchange is a diverging diamond interchange (DDI), which will accommodate anticipated growth in the Courthouse Road area
- New Courthouse Road east of Cedar Lane will be a median-divided four lane road, with additional lanes through the diverging diamond interchange
- Wyche Road and Austin Ridge Drive will be realigned to intersect with new Courthouse Road alignment as part of the interchange improvements

VDOT Commuter Park & Ride Lot

- Existing Courthouse Road Park & Ride lot with 545 parking spaces will remain open to users until summer 2018, when it will close
- Two new Park & Ride lots with a total of around 1,100 parking spaces will be built east of I-95 as part of this project
- During construction, a temporary lot with 545 parking spaces will open in summer 2018 east of I-95 to provide continuous Park & Ride access at Exit 140
- In July 2020, the finished lots will open with dedicated pickup/dropoff areas for buses, carpools and slugging

Why is this project needed? Recent development and continued future growth of the Courthouse Road corridor and adjacent communities requires additional capacity to reduce delays and improve quality of life for residents and visitors of the area. Expansion of the existing alignment of Courthouse Road was not possible without significant impacts to existing businesses, so a new alignment was selected that minimized environmental, right-of-way, and business impacts as much as possible. The new interchange will address existing capacity issues, eliminate substandard vertical clearance for the existing I-95 bridges over Courthouse Road, and accommodate future expansion of both the I-95 and Courthouse Road corridors.

What can drivers and residents expect during the project? Beginning in summer of 2017, construction will start to widen Courthouse Road and install a new traffic signal at Colonial Forge High School. Construction will mostly occur between 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. One lane of Courthouse Road will remain open in each direction during peak hours, however, flagging operations will be necessary during midday and overnight hours in order to minimize impacts to the public during peak travel periods.

Beginning in fall 2017, work will begin on the new interchange bridges over I-95. Work on the interchange will have minimal impacts to the public since it will be completed on a new alignment. Erection of bridge beams will require temporary traffic stops on I-95. Additional public outreach efforts and notifications will be initiated before this work takes place. Interchange construction will continue until the end of the project in July 2020. Park & Ride lot improvements will occur simultaneously with the interchange improvements.

How can I stay updated during construction? Email VDOT Communications Manager Kelly Hannon at Kelly.Hannon@VDOT.Virginia.Gov to sign up to receive periodic emails and project e-newsletters, and visit the project webpage at www.virginiadot.org/projects/fredericksburg.