



# County of Henrico

Department of Public Works  
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Public Hearing

## Richmond-Henrico Turnpike Project

Welcome to the County of Henrico location and design public hearing on the proposed improvements to the Richmond-Henrico Turnpike project. The purpose of this meeting is to review project plans and documentation and to give comments on the proposed project. The County wants all members of the community to have the opportunity to participate in public involvement on projects affecting them. The County representatives are present to discuss the project and answer your questions. Comments can either be submitted using the form or a survey on the County's website at:

<https://henrico.us/projects/richmond-henrico-turnpike-improvements/>

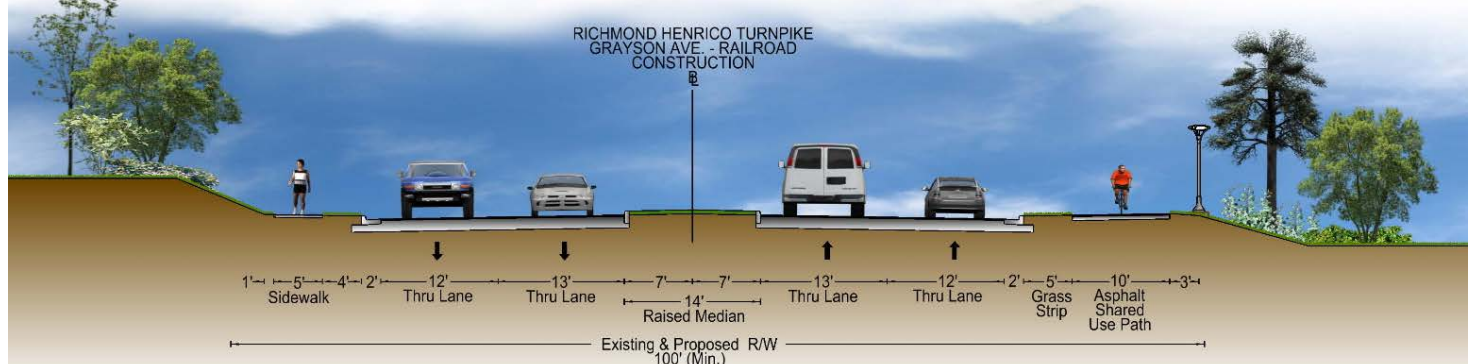
### Project Description

This project consists of 1.94 miles of improvements from E. Laburnum Avenue to just south of the CSX railroad crossing. The proposed roadway will consist of four lanes, two in each direction with a center turning lane providing left turn access or a raised 14-foot median throughout the corridor. New curb and gutter, enclosed drainage systems, and stormwater management facilities will be provided. In addition, a shared use path, providing access to pedestrians and bicyclists, will be constructed on the east side and a sidewalk on the west side of the new roadway throughout the project. The project is being designed as a minor arterial roadway with a posted speed of 35-mph (35-mph design speed) from E. Laburnum Avenue to Azalea Avenue. A posted speed of 45-mph (50-mph design speed) will then occur from Azalea Avenue to the CSX railroad crossing.

The first segment of the project will begin at E. Laburnum Avenue following the existing roadway and end at Hummingbird Road. A new stream crossing will be constructed at Horse Swamp Creek. Right-of-way will be needed along the corridor due to roadway widening and stormwater management facilities required with areas of permanent easement required on both sides of the roadway.

The second segment of the project continues from Hummingbird Road to approximately the CSX railroad crossing. This segment of the project will closely follow the existing roadway alignment. Signal improvements at Azalea Avenue are proposed with this segment as well as entrance improvements to the shopping center. Through this portion of the project, new right-of-way will be acquired to allow construction of the proposed improvements.

Improvements to the intersections of Pinalto Drive, Oronoco Avenue, Greenbrier Avenue, Fayette Avenue, Grayson Avenue, Pulaski Avenue, Meriwether Avenue, Lark Drive, Hummingbird Road, and Azalea Avenue are included in the project as well as private and commercial entrance improvements. This project is being partially funded through VDOT's Smart Scale program, which is comprised of a combination of state and federal funds, and partially funded with Henrico County funds.



Wednesday,  
October 21, 2020

5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Fairfield Library

(Fairfield Meeting Room)

1401 N. Laburnum Avenue  
Henrico, VA 23223

### Project Overview

**Location:** From E. Laburnum Avenue to 0.7 miles north of Azalea Avenue (Near CSX railroad crossing)

**Length:** 1.94 Miles

**Purpose:** To improve safety and access along Richmond-Henrico Turnpike for motorists, while accommodating the needs of pedestrians and cyclists.

**Anticipated Cost:**  
**Total:** \$37,000,000

**Anticipated Schedule:**  
**Right-of-Way Acquisition:** March 2021  
**Utility Relocation:** October 2022  
**Advertise for Construction:** November 2022  
**Begin Construction:** April 2023  
**Project Completion:** April 2025

# Environmental Review

The County has hired consultants to review the social, economic, and environmental impacts, including road noise of the project on the local community, and surrounding area. The project will continue to be coordinated with the appropriate federal, state, and local agencies.

In compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106 and 36CFR 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 provided in the environmental documentation, which resulted in a categorical exclusion, or simply that no historical properties are impacted with the project. These documents are available at today's meeting. County representatives are available to discuss this information and answer any questions.

During construction, all reasonable efforts will be made to protect the environment with respect to dust control, siltation, and erosion. Construction will conform to the County's specifications and special provisions and the Virginia Department of Soil and Water Conservation regulations.

## Civil Rights

Representatives from the County are present to discuss the project and answer your questions. It is the responsibility of the County to ensure that all members of the community are afforded the opportunity to provide comments and participate in public decisions on projects affecting them. The County ensures nondiscrimination in all programs and activities in accordance with Title VI, Civil Rights Act of 1964.

## Right-of-Way

Displays at this meeting show the extent of right of way and easements that may be needed as the project is currently proposed. Property owners will be informed of the exact location of the easements and right-of-way during the right of way acquisition process and prior to construction.

If you have questions or concerns regarding the proposed easement or right-of-way, please contact Michael Aust at the contact information listed below.

## Get Involved

The public comment period will close on November 5, 2020, following the public hearing. County representatives will review, evaluate and respond to comments received. Project information shared here is available for review after the citizen information meeting at the County of Henrico Department of Public Works located at 4305 East Parham Road, Henrico, Virginia 23228. Comments can be submitted to Michael Aust at the contact information below or a survey on the County's website at:

<https://henrico.us/projects/richmond-henrico-turnpike-improvements/>

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