ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

The proposed Interchange at Route 234 and Brentsville Road was a component of the Route 234 Bypass (now Prince William Parkway) project, evaluated in a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) prepared by VDOT and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) in 1994, in accordance with provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and 23 CFR 771. Environmental Studies completed in March 2021 determined that the location of the currently proposed improvements is essentially the same as was proposed and evaluated in the 1994 SEIS. As the project progresses, Prince William County, VDOT, and FHWA will assess if any new significant environmental impacts have been identified that were not evaluated in previous NEPA documentation. Environmental reevaluations will be prepared prior to authorizing the acquisition of right-of-way and authorizing construction for the interchange (23 CFR 771.129) to ensure the project design plans are consistent with the 1994 SEIS and the 2021 Environmental Studies document. All required environmental permits will be obtained in coordination with local, state, and federal agencies prior to construction.

PROJECT SCHEDULE

Public Information Meeting: May 18, 2020 (complete)
Design-Build Contract Award: February 8, 2021 (complete)
Design Public Hearing: December 8, 2021
Begin Early Grading: Winter 2021
Begin Right of Way Acquisition: Summer 2022
Project Completion: Spring 2024

GET INVOLVED

Give your written or verbal comments at the hearing or submit them by December 18, 2021, to Ms. Mary Ankers, P.E., Project Manager, Prince William County Department of Transportation, at the address below. You may also email your comments to Mankers@PWCgov.org. Please reference “Interchange at Route 234 and Brentsville Road Project PH Comments” in the subject heading.

Ms. Mary Ankers, P.E.
Prince William County Department of Transportation
5 County Complex Court, Suite 290
Prince William, VA 22192
Email at: Mankers@PWCgov.org

The public comment period closes December 18, 2021.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

PURPOSE: Improve traffic operations, traffic flow, and safety by constructing a grade-separated interchange at the intersection of Route 234 (Prince William Parkway/Dumfries Road) and Brentsville Road. Additionally, the Project realigns a section of Brentsville Road and constructs a bridge crossing to grade separate the intersection of Prince William Parkway and Route 234 Business to eliminate the existing traffic signal. The new bridge and Interchange will provide free-flow movements across the Prince William Parkway to eliminate delays and congestion resulted from the existing traffic signals.

LOCATION: From 2000’ west of Prince William Parkway and Dumfries Rd (Route 234 Bus.) to Coles Dr. (approx. 3500’ east of Prince William Parkway and Brentsville Rd).

PROJECT BUDGET: $54.9 Million (fully funded by NVTA)
MEETING PURPOSE

The purpose of this Design Public Hearing is to acquaint you with the design process and the features of this planned project. These meetings are beneficial to the public and the Prince William County Department of Transportation alike. They permit PWCDOT’s engineers to report the facts developed in their studies and to obtain the public’s comments which assist in determining the design of the proposed project. Representatives from Prince William County and their design-build team are present to discuss your concerns and answer your questions. This hearing provides the opportunity for any person (acting on their behalf or representing a group or governing body) to offer comments or submit written material concerning the proposed project. The comments you make as a result of this meeting will be considered as we further develop the design plans. We welcome your comments and suggestions, whether written or verbal.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project will include the construction of bridge structures to grade separate the intersection of Prince William Parkway and Brentsville Road and the intersection of Prince William Parkway and Dumfries Road (Route 234 business). The project will convert the intersection of Prince William Parkway at Bradley Cemetery Way to a continuous green-T intersection and will include the realigning of Brentsville Road to provide a through roadway to Dumfries Road. The new bridge structures will provide free flow movements and will significantly reduce delays.

Pedestrian facilities are provided throughout the project in the form of a 10' Shared Use Path (SUP) and 5' sidewalk. Connections will be made to the existing (SUPs) along Dumfries Rd. (Rte. 234 Bypass) at Coles Drive and along Prince William Parkway (Rte. 294). A sidewalk will be constructed along Dumfries Rd. (Rte. 234 Business) to connect to the existing sidewalk at Godwin Drive.

The project requires Limited Access Control Changes along Route 234 Bypass and Brentsville Road in the project area, which will require Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) approval.

The project is being administered by PWCDOT using the Design-Build delivery method and is being developed in accordance with applicable Prince William County and Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) standards, guidelines, and requirements.

ESTIMATED PROJECT BUDGET

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This multimodal project is fully funded with Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) regional revenues, totaling $54.9M.

CIVIL RIGHTS

Prince William County 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 in regard to your civil rights on this project or special assistance for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency, contact the project manager listed on the back of this brochure.

RIGHT OF WAY

Most of the project area is within existing right of way owned by the State, with partial right of way acquisition and easements being required to complete the construction of the project. These acquisitions have not yet started and are scheduled for Spring of 2022. Additional easements may be required beyond the proposed right of way shown on the public hearing plans. The property owners will be informed of the exact location of these easements during the right of way acquisition process and prior to construction. 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 brochure are available from the County Chief of Property Acquisition and Right of Way.

After this meeting, information regarding right of way may be obtained from the PWCDOT Chief of Property Acquisition and Right of Way, contact listed below:

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