

## 6. HIGHWAY MATTERS

### A. ROUTE 460 CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS UPDATE

Mr. Phil Rinehart will provide you with an update on the U.S. Route 460 Corridor Improvements Project. It's my understanding that this will be an oral briefing and will not include a visual presentation. Accordingly, I've attached a number of slides from their Town Hall meeting in July to re-familiarize you with the process moving forward.

As you know, contract and permit work was temporarily suspended while VDOT develops a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) for review by the Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). They are reevaluating the anticipated impacts for five (5) different build alternatives plus a no-build alternative.

Their field work is now complete and VDOT is finalizing the draft SEIS for submittal to the federal agencies. Once the draft report is approved, public hearings will be held this fall to review and receive comments on the Draft SEIS. VDOT will then prepare a Final SEIS, which will address the public comments and include any additional information. **The final SEIS will include a preferred alternative.** It is anticipated the Federal Highway Administration and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will issue their decisions on a preferred alternative by early 2015.

### B. CTB PUBLIC HEARING – SEPTEMBER 25

Attached herewith please find notice from our District Administrator, Jim Utterback, of an upcoming briefing and public hearing on Thursday, September 25 in Chesapeake regarding revisions to the SYIP that was approved by the CTB back in June. The proposed revisions are necessary to reflect revised revenue estimates and incorporate the new statewide prioritization process. I've included the spreadsheet below illustrating Southampton County projects that are currently in the plan. At this writing, it is unclear whether the proposed revisions will impact any of our local projects – I'm trying to confirm that now.

UPC	Description	Route	District	Road System	Jurisdiction	Estimate	Previous	FY15	FY16-20	Balance
						(Values in Thousands of Dollars)				
97817	1831 SOUTHAMPTON INSURRECTION TOUR		Hampton Roads	Enhancement	Southampton County	\$800	\$525	\$275	\$0	\$0
81457	RTE 35 - BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	35	Hampton Roads	Primary	Southampton County	\$13,082	\$10,774	\$1,197	\$1,111	\$0
101493	ROUTE 35 OVER TARRARA CREEK (VA STR 1017)	35	Hampton Roads	Primary	Southampton County	\$2,000	\$400	\$0	\$1,600	\$0
17728	RTE 58 - CONSTRUCT INTERCHANGE	58	Hampton Roads	Primary	Southampton County	\$31,460	\$12,311	\$5,000	\$14,150	\$0
104059	FRANKLIN RESIDENCY 2014 LATEX SCHEDULE PRIMARY PARTICIPATING	LMSA	Hampton Roads	Primary	Southampton County	\$1,178	\$0	\$0	\$1,178	\$0
104074	SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY 2014 PLANT MIX SCHEDULE, PRIMARY PART.	PM5D	Hampton Roads	Primary	Southampton County	\$2,912	\$0	\$874	\$2,038	\$0
104965	BRIDGE (FED ID 17757) RTE 308 OVER THREE CREEK	308	Hampton Roads	Secondary	Southampton County	\$4,048	\$0	\$411	\$3,295	\$342
93078	RTE 635 OVER N&W RAILROAD VA STR. 6042	635	Hampton Roads	Secondary	Southampton County	\$2,351	\$135	\$91	\$1,359	\$766
93079	RTE 659 OVER FLAT SWAMP VA STR. 6069	659	Hampton Roads	Secondary	Southampton County	\$1,240	\$302	\$188	\$750	\$0
101495	ROUTE 671 OVER NOTTOWAY RIVER AND NOTTOWAY RIVER ( TWO STRUC	671	Hampton Roads	Secondary	Southampton County	\$11,763	\$800	\$100	\$3,434	\$7,429

C. MONTHLY CONCERNS

Please come prepared to share any highway concerns that exist within your respective districts.



## **U.S. Route 460 Corridor Improvements Project**

**Town Hall  
July 2014**

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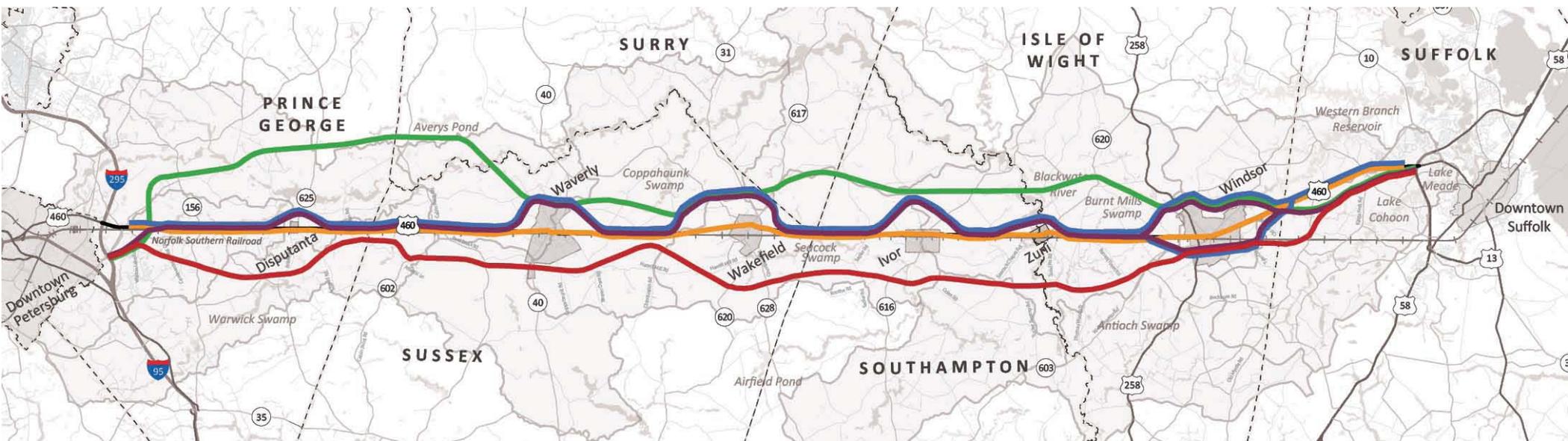
### What are the next steps?

- ❖ **Public hearings will be held in the fall to review and receive comments on the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS).**
- ❖ **VDOT will then prepare the Final SEIS, which will include how the agency addresses public comments and any new information. The final document will include a preferred alternative.**
- ❖ **It is anticipated the Federal Highway Administration and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will issue their decisions on a preferred alternative by early 2015.**

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## What alternatives are being studied?

The Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) will include five alternatives along with a No Build option.



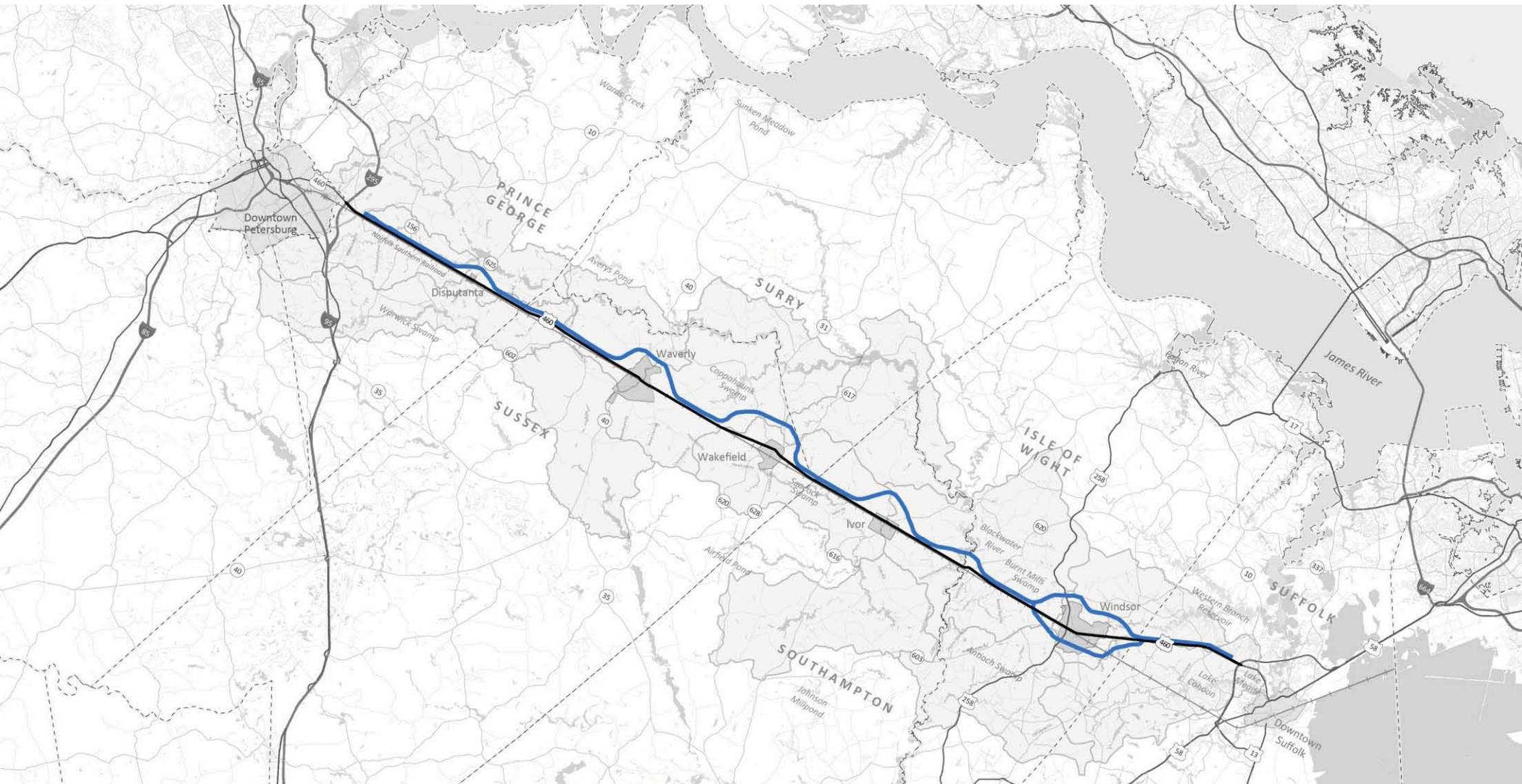
# Alternative 1

- ❖ A four-lane divided road that could be tolled
- ❖ Runs south of the existing U.S. Route 460



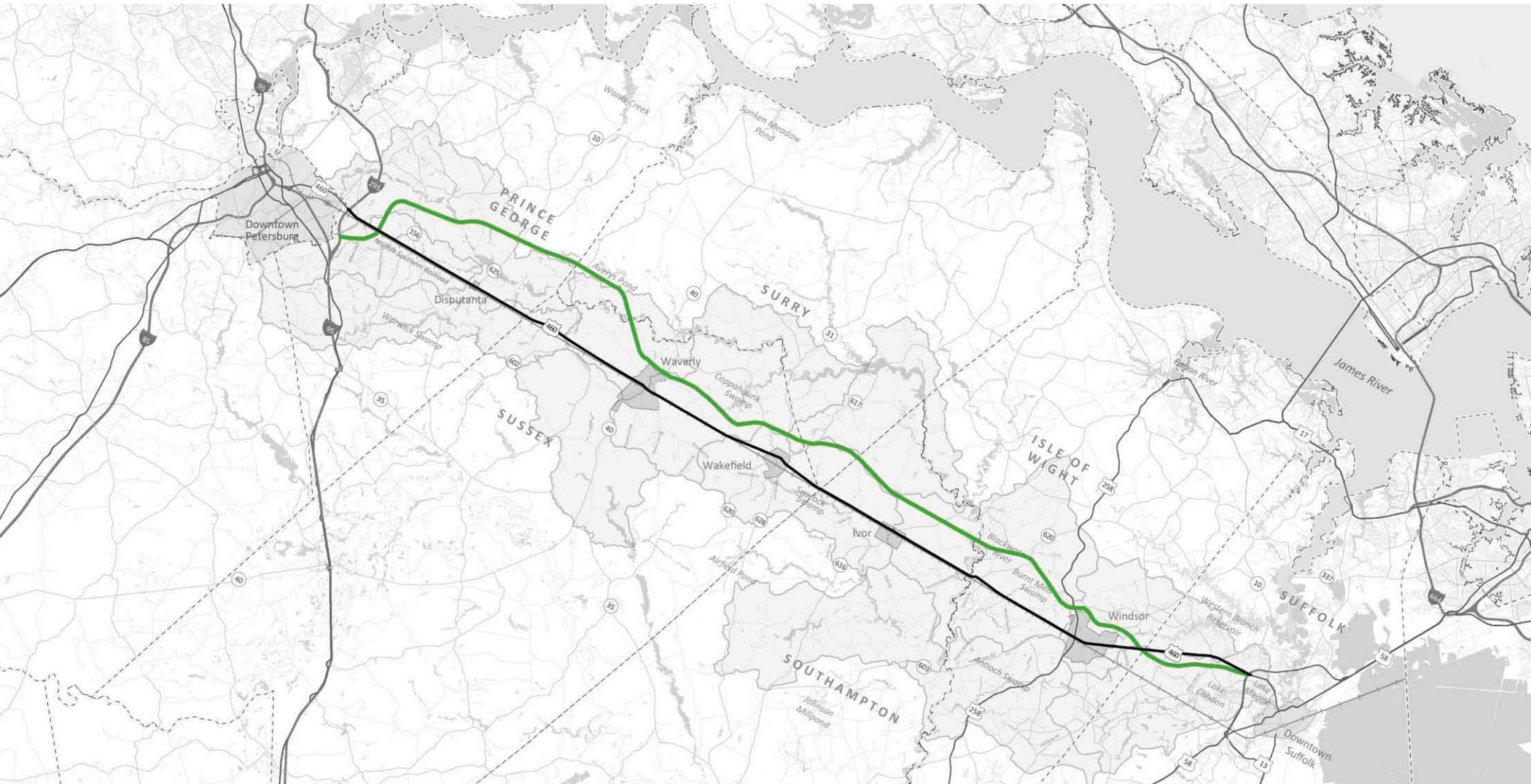
## Alternative 2

- ❖ A four-lane divided road that runs along the existing U.S. Route 460, with six bypasses around the existing towns
- ❖ Bypasses could be tolled or not tolled



## Alternative 3

- ❖ A four-lane divided road that could be tolled
- ❖ Runs north of the existing U.S. Route 460



## Alternative 4

- ❖ A four-lane road along the existing U.S. Route 460
- ❖ Improvements to meet standards for medians, shoulders and intersections



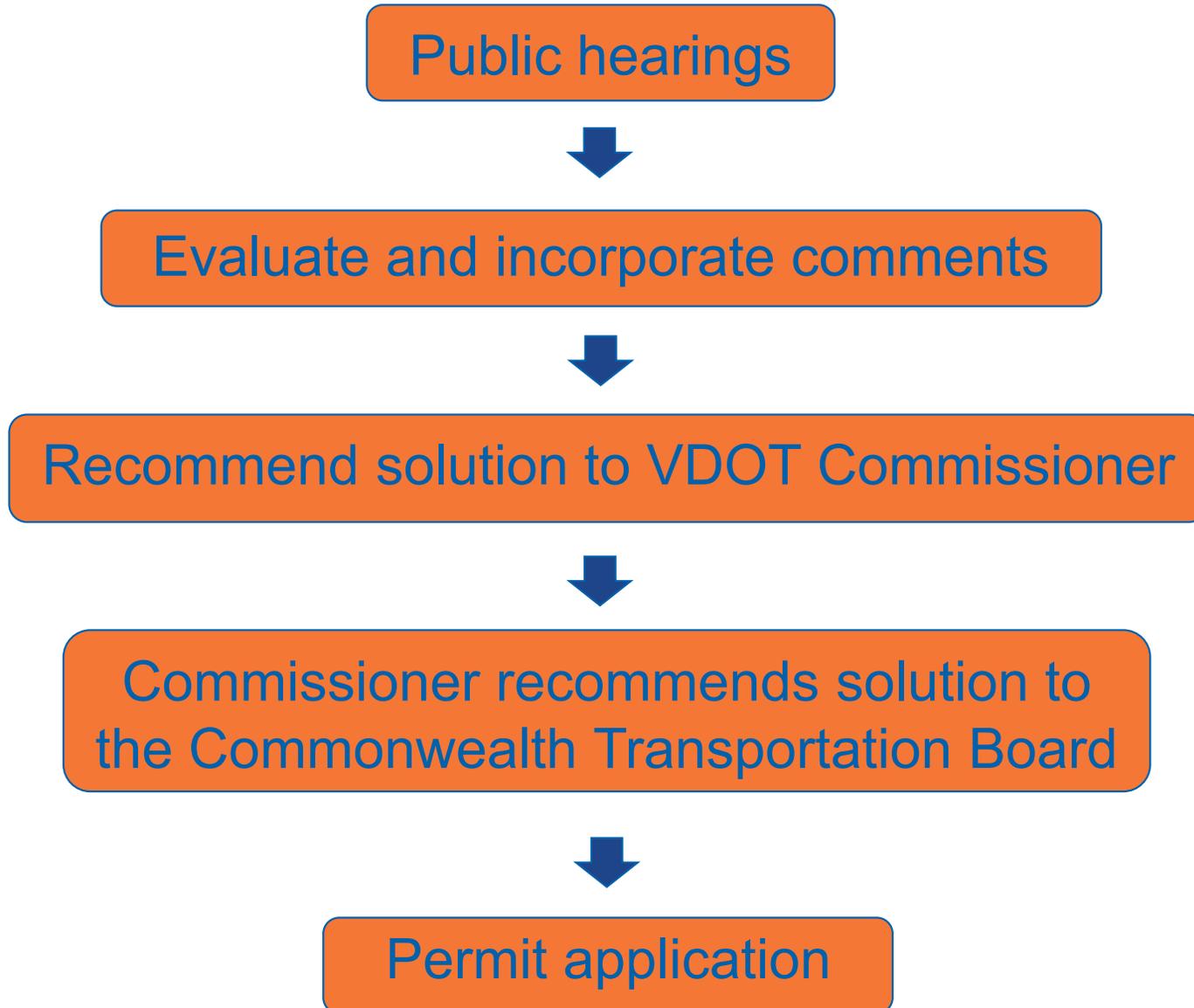
## Alternative 5

- ❖ An eight-lane road along the existing corridor
- ❖ Expressway in the center with bypasses at the towns
- ❖ Local access roadway to the outside



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## What's the Decision Process?





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# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
HAMPTON ROADS DISTRICT  
1700 NORTH MAIN STREET  
SUFFOLK, VIRGINIA 23434

Charles A. Kilpatrick, P.E.  
Commissioner

September 5, 2014

Mr. Michael W. Johnson  
Southampton County Administrator  
P. O. Box 400  
Courtland, Virginia 23837

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) will conduct a joint public hearing and meeting in the Hampton Roads area on September 25, 2014 to give citizens the opportunity to review and provide comments on the working draft of the Revised Fiscal Year 2015-2020 Six-Year Improvement Program (FY15-20 SYIP). The FY15-20 SYIP adopted by the CTB in June 2014 is being revised to reflect revised revenue estimates and anticipated implementation of the statewide prioritization process. The Revised FY15-20 SYIP will be presented to the CTB for adoption in November 2014. Comments will also be accepted for the FY16-21 SYIP and statewide prioritization.

I invite you to attend a special public officials' briefing from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM before the public meeting. This will be an opportunity for you to learn more about initiatives of Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT), Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT), as well as the working draft of the Revised FY15-20 SYIP. VDOT and DRPT representatives will be on hand to provide information and answer your questions. I would truly appreciate your attendance at this session. This meeting will be held at The Regional Building, 723 Woodlake Drive in Chesapeake.

An open house and opportunity for general discussion will start at 5:30 PM on Thursday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at The Regional Building, 723 Woodlake Drive in Chesapeake. Starting at 6:30 PM, Secretary of Transportation, Aubrey Layne, our CTB member, John Malbon, and I will moderate a public hearing to provide our citizens and stakeholders the opportunity for public comment. Written comments may be submitted during this session, or they may be mailed or E-mailed afterwards. Meeting materials will be available on the web at <http://www.virginiadot.org/2014fallmeetings> starting September 23<sup>rd</sup>. The Fall Transportation Meeting Schedule for all nine meetings is enclosed.

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Representatives from VDOT, DRPT, and the Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment (OIP) will attend the open house and provide information on current initiatives. Also, the Transportation Planning Organization has been invited to participate with displays highlighting their regional long-range transportation planning efforts as well as their regional transportation improvement program.

I encourage you to come and speak with agency representatives. If you cannot attend the meeting, you may send your comments to Program Management Director at 1401 E. Broad Street, Richmond, VA 23219 or e-mail them to [Six-YearProgram@vdot.virginia.gov](mailto:Six-YearProgram@vdot.virginia.gov). Comments on rail and public transportation initiatives may be sent to DRPT Public Information Officer at 600 East Main Street, Suite 2102, Richmond, VA 23219 or e-mailed to [drptpr@drpt.virginia.gov](mailto:drptpr@drpt.virginia.gov). Comments will be received until October 30, 2014. If you have any questions prior to the meeting, please contact Dawn Odom at (757) 925-1581.

Sincerely,



James S. Utterback  
District Administrator