

## Get Involved

The public comment period will close ten (10) days after this public hearing, on October 14, 2023. VDOT will review and evaluate any information received as a result of the public hearing.

Project information shared here is available for review after the public hearing at VDOT's Hampton Roads District Office located at 7511 Burbage Drive, Suffolk, VA 23435, or at VDOT's project website at:

<https://www.VirginiaDOT.org/ATlwestern>

Comments can also be submitted in writing to [Frank.Fabian@VDOT.Virginia.gov](mailto:Frank.Fabian@VDOT.Virginia.gov) or mailed to the address provided on the comment form.

Information must be postmarked, emailed or delivered to VDOT within ten calendar days of today's meeting (held on October 4, 2023) in order to be included in the public hearing information meeting record.

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Design Public Hearing

## Air Terminal Interchange Western Intersection

City of Norfolk

Wednesday, October 4, 2023, 4 - 7 p.m.  
Sewells Point Elementary School  
7928 Hampton Boulevard  
Norfolk, VA 23505

## Public Meeting

Welcome to the Virginia Department of Transportation's (VDOT) design public hearing on proposed improvements associated with the Air Terminal Interchange Western Intersection in Norfolk.

This public hearing is being held to provide an opportunity for citizens or organizations to give 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 the handouts for this meeting, and your input is encouraged. A court reporter is available to record your oral comments. All oral and written comments received on this project will be included in a transcript for review by VDOT personnel, citizens and other interested parties.

Written questions or comments should be placed in the comment box or mailed to the address provided on the comment form.

## PROJECT OVERVIEW



Westbound Intermodal Connector approaching Public Connector Road

### WESTERN INTERSECTION

**Cost** – \$24.5 million

**Purpose** – Improve naval access and provide traffic relief to Terminal Boulevard, Hampton Boulevard and surrounding roadways

**From** – Seabee Road

**To** – I-564 Intermodal Connector

**Total length** – 0.33 miles

**Improvements** – Design and construct new intersection on the western end of the I-564 Intermodal Connector to allow bi-directional access for vehicles from Seabee Road, including construction of four directional connection points to carry vehicles entering and exiting the Intermodal Connector.

## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The purpose of this project is to support Naval Station Norfolk's mobilization capability and provide for the efficient movement of personnel and materials for national defense along the Interstate 564 (I-564) Intermodal Connector in Norfolk.

The western intersection project will improve naval base access and provide traffic relief to Hampton Boulevard, Terminal Boulevard and surrounding roadways by directing eastbound vehicles and heavy truck traffic away from local surface streets.

Located on the western side of the I-564 Intermodal Connector, the western intersection project will include adjustments to the existing exit ramp (known as the Public Connector Road) to Seabee Road, Naval Station Gate 5 and Hampton Boulevard.

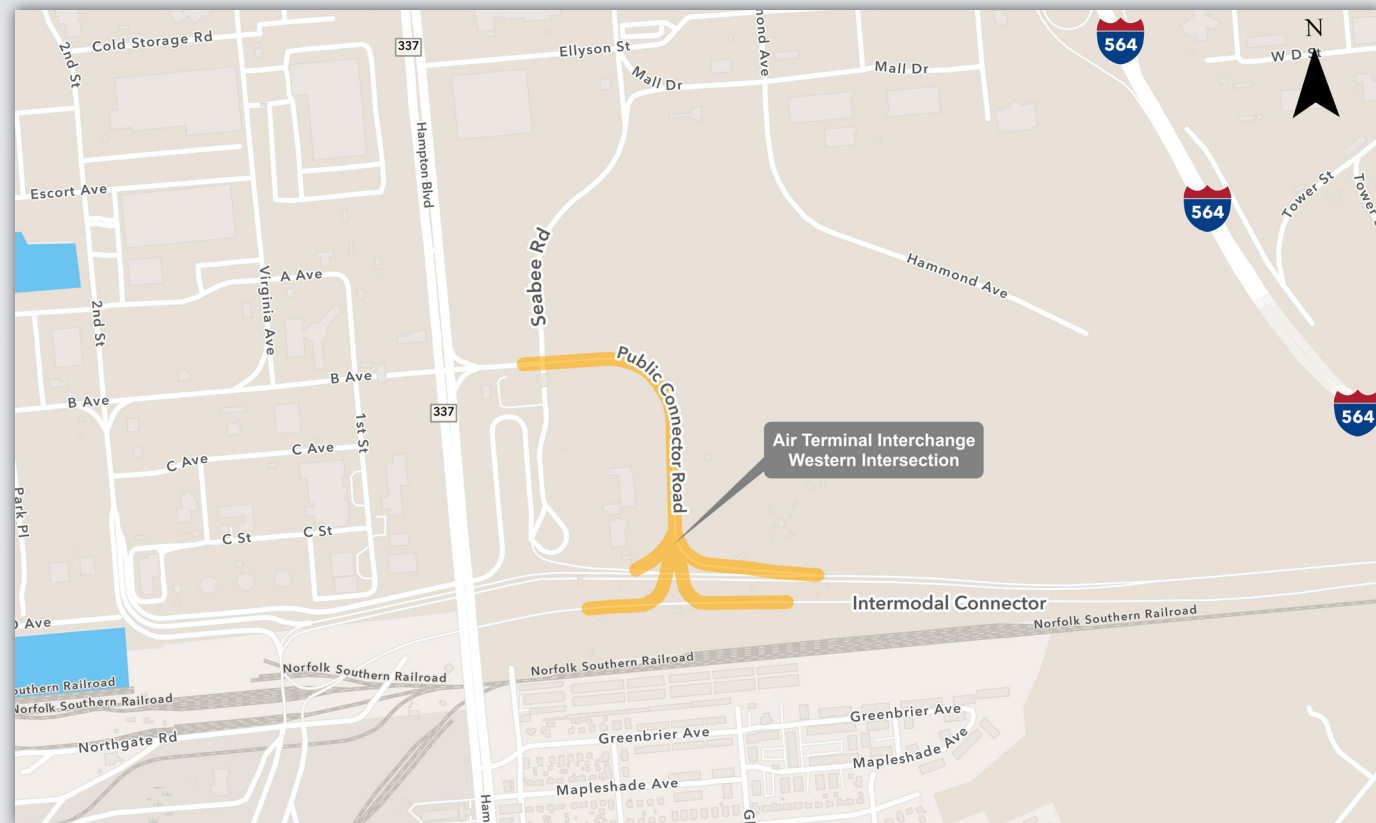
The western intersection project includes:

- Expansion of existing ramp between I-564 Intermodal Connector and Seabee Road to provide bi-directional traffic and support access to Navy pass office, the commercial vehicle inspection station and Navy base entrance gates.

- Construction of four directional connection points to carry vehicles entering and exiting the Intermodal Connector.
- Construction of signalized intersection to manage entering and exiting traffic to the Intermodal Connector eastbound traffic.
- Signal modifications at the intersection of the ramp from the Intermodal Connector and Seabee Road.
- Drainage improvements and stormwater management facilities meeting Bird/wildlife Aircraft Strike Hazard (BASH) requirements
- Signage and pavement marking
- Utility relocations
- Temporary lane closures and traffic shifts on the Intermodal Connector and its ramps may be necessary during construction.

The design of this project is in compliance with the Stormwater Management Act, all Bird Air Strike Hazard regulations, stormwater regulations and VDOT's standards and specifications approved by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality. Potential impacts to the flood plains will be evaluated and addressed on this project. The construction of this project will comply with water quality and quantity standards as outlined in the construction general permit.

## Project Graphic



## Estimated Project Cost

**Total Cost:**  
**\$24.5 million**

Preliminary Engineering of Roadway Plans:  
\$3.3 million

Right of Way Acquisition, Utility Relocation:  
\$0.7 million

Construction:  
\$20.5 million

*This cost is subject to change because the project is in early design stages. The project will be financed using state and federal funds.*

## Environmental Review

In cooperation with Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), VDOT is evaluating the environmental impacts of the Air Terminal Interchange Western Intersection project in Norfolk in the form of an Environmental Assessment (EA) document. The EA was prepared by the Department of Defense (DoD), Department of the Navy (Navy) for the Intermodal Connector (IMC) and the Air Terminal Interchange (ATI). The Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Eastern Federal Lands Highway Division (EFLHD) served as a cooperating agency in the preparation of the EA.

The document includes information from various technical studies including those related to wetlands, threatened and endangered species, air quality and noise impacts. In compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106 and 36 Part 800, information concerning 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 appropriate federal, state and local agencies as part of the environmental review and approval processes required throughout project development and construction. All required environmental clearance and permits will be obtained prior to construction. Strict compliance with all environmental conditions and commitment resulting from regulatory approvals, and implementation of VDOT's specifications and standard best management practices will protect the environment during construction.

The NEPA document and the results of other environmental studies are available at today's meeting. Representatives from VDOT's Environmental Section are available to discuss this information and to answer questions.

## Anticipated Schedule

The following schedule has been proposed:

Design Public Hearing: October 2023

Advertise for Construction Bids: Summer 2026

Start Construction: Winter 2027

Complete Construction: Winter 2029

## Civil Rights

Representatives from VDOT are present to discuss the project and answer your questions. It is the responsibility of VDOT to ensure that all members of the community are afforded the opportunity to participate in public decisions on transportation systems and projects affecting them.

VDOT ensures nondiscrimination in all programs and activities in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. If you need more information in regards to your civil rights on this project or special assistance for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency, contact the District Civil Rights Office listed on the back of the brochure.

## Right of Way

The construction of the Air Terminal Interchange Western Intersection project will require acquisition of easements for roadway and drainage facilities. Right of Way acquisition and utility relocation will be performed in accordance with the Federal Uniform Relocation and Real Property Acquisition Act and VDOT standards.

Displays at this meeting show the extent of easements that may be needed as the project moves forward. As the final design is developed, additional easements may be required beyond what is shown on the plans. Property owners will be informed of the exact location of the easements during the right of way acquisition process prior to construction.

Information about right of way purchase is discussed in VDOT's brochure, "Right of Way and Utilities: a Guide for Property Owners and Tenants." Copies of this brochure are available here 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.