

I-495 Southside Express Lanes Study City of Alexandria and Fairfax County, VA Prince George's County, MD

Location Public Hearing To Present Recommended Preferred Alternative

Time: 6 – 8 p.m.

Format: In-person with an open house at 6 p.m., presentation at 6:30 p.m., followed by a formal public comment session

Monday, June 2, 2025

Thomas A. Edison High School (Cafeteria) 5801 Franconia Rd., Alexandria, VA 22310

Wednesday, June 4, 2025

Oxon Hill High School (Auditorium) 6701 Leyte Dr., Oxon Hill, MD 20745

Monday, June 9, 2025

West Potomac High School (Cafeteria) 6500 Quander Rd., Alexandria, VA 22307

Wednesday, June 11, 2025

Nannie J. Lee Memorial Recreation Center 1108 Jefferson St., Alexandria, VA 22314

Virtual Public Information Room available starting on May 19, 2025, at www.vdot.virginia.gov/495southside

Learn about and provide comments on VDOT's recommended preferred alternative for the I-495 Southside Express Lanes Study. This study is evaluating the potential extension of the express lanes system on the southern section of the Capital Beltway (I-495) by 11 miles from the Springfield Interchange (I-95/I-395/I-495) in Fairfax County, Virginia, across the Woodrow Wilson Memorial Bridge, to the MD 210 Interchange in Prince George's County, Maryland. The study includes an Environmental Assessment, which VDOT is conducting in coordination with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and other federal, state, and local agencies in Virginia and Maryland, and in compliance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and 23 CFR Part 771.

VDOT will offer four in-person public hearings to share information about the recommended preferred alternative to address identified transportation needs within the study area. These needs include providing additional travel choices, reducing congestion and improving travel reliability, improving safety, extending and providing continuity of the express lanes system on I-495, and providing consistency with local and regional plans.

All four hearings will be held in-person from 6 - 8 p.m., and will begin with an open house at 6 p.m., a presentation at 6:30 p.m., and a formal public comment session following the presentation.

A virtual public information room containing the hearing presentation, display boards, and opportunities to submit formal comments will be available starting on May 19 on the study webpage at: www.vdot.virginia.gov/495southside.

Review information beginning May 19 on the study webpage, at the in-person public hearings, or during business hours at the VDOT Northern Virginia District Office, 4975 Alliance Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030. Please call ahead at 703-691-6044 or TTY/TDD 711 to ensure appropriate personnel are available to answer your questions. Information about potential property impacts, VDOT right of way policies and procedures, and remaining study schedule will be available at the public hearings.

Give your written or oral comments at the in-person hearings or submit them **by June 26, 2025**, via the online comment form at www.vdot.virginia.gov/495southside, by email to 495southsideexpresslanes@vdot.virginia.gov, or by mail to Michelle Shropshire, P.E., VDOT Northern Virginia Megaprojects Director, 4975 Alliance Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030.

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