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Comments can also be submitted in writing to Howard Tomlinson, Project Manager, 1601 Orange Road, Culpeper, VA 22701; or by email to Howard.Tomlinson@VDOT.Virginia.gov.

Information must be postmarked, emailed or delivered to VDOT within 12 calendar days of today's meeting (April 16, 2012) in order to be included in the public hearing record.

VDOT representatives will review and evaluate any information received as a result of the public hearing.

After all comments have been addressed, the information received as a result of the hearing will be presented to VDOT's Chief Engineer or designee for consideration. If approval of the major design features is received for this project, it will move forward to the final design phase. Public hearing participants will be notified of this decision by letter.

Project information shared here is available for review after the public hearing at VDOT's Culpeper District Office located at 1601 Orange Road, Culpeper, VA 22701.

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DESIGN PUBLIC HEARING

Route 6 (East River Road) Fluvanna County Rivanna River Bridge

Wednesday, April 4, 2012, 5-7 p.m.
Fluvanna Middle School
9172 James Madison Highway
Fork Union, VA 23055

Public Meeting

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) welcomes you to the design public hearing for the proposed replacement of the Route 6 (East River Road) bridge over the Rivanna River in Fluvanna County.

This public hearing is held to provide an opportunity for any person, acting on his/her own behalf or representing a group or governing agency, to give the department comments and/or suggestions concerning 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. 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.

Project Overview



The existing Route 6 bridge over the Rivanna River.

Anticipated Cost – \$11.92 million

Purpose – Replace the structurally deficient and functionally obsolete Rivanna River bridge

From – 0.259 mile west of Rivanna River

To – 0.244 mile east of Rivanna River

Total Length – 0.503 mile

Improvements – Replace the existing bridge and rebuild its approaches

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

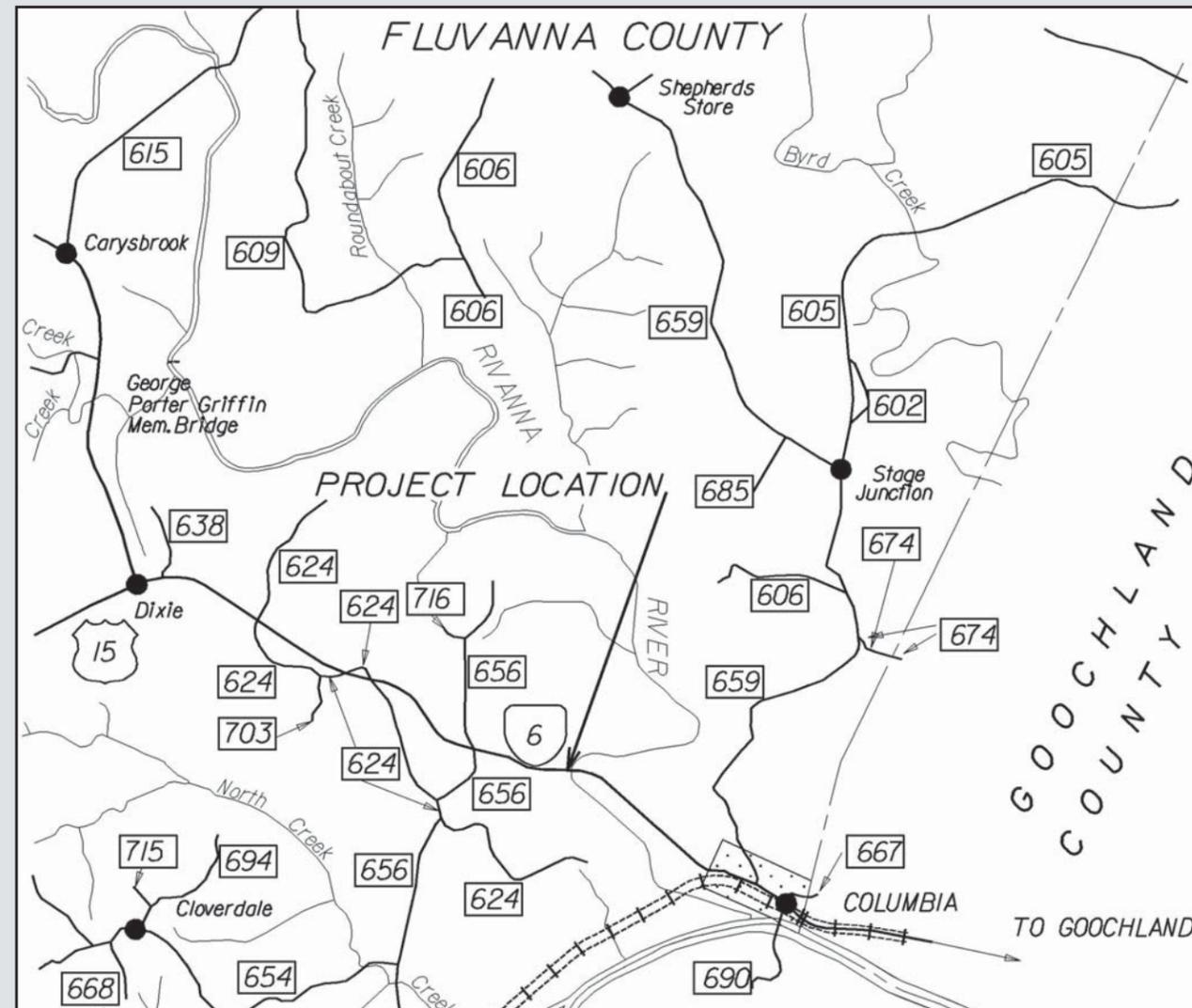
The primary purpose of this project is to replace the Route 6 bridge over the Rivanna River.

The current bridge, built in 1930, has a sufficiency rating of 32.1 on a scale of 0 (poor) to 100 (very good). The rating considers adequacy, whether the bridge is functionally obsolete and the level of service provided to the public.

VDOT proposes to replace the existing bridge with a concrete structure and new approaches on both ends. The new structure will carry all legal-weight loads and will be 38 feet wide.

The current traffic count reflects 1,844 vehicles per day at this location.

Location Map



Estimated Project Cost

Total Cost:

\$11.92 million

Engineering of Roadway and Bridge Plans:

\$1,500,000

Right of Way Acquisition, Relocation Assistance and Utility Relocation:

\$293,006

Construction:

\$10,125,777

Cost is subject to change as the design is finalized.

Environmental Review

To satisfy the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), VDOT's Culpeper District Environmental Section has initiated environmental reviews to obtain preliminary information about environmental resources in the project vicinity; to provide the natural and historic resource agencies an opportunity to review and comment on the project during the early stages of development; and to identify opportunities for avoidance, minimization and mitigation of potential environmental impacts.

In addition to NEPA, this project is subject to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (16 USC 370f; 36 CFR 800.2(c) (3)). Pursuant to this regulation the agency is coordinating its review of historic resource impacts with the Department of Historical Resources and other consulting parties.

This project has been coordinated through the State Environmental Review Process (SERP). Field surveys were conducted and state resource agencies contacted to obtain input regarding the potential impacts of the project to the environment. The SERP provides Virginia's environmental resource agencies an opportunity to comment on the highway improvements at the project initiation state. A Preliminary Environmental Inventory, which includes the information, views and interests received from the resource agencies has been prepared for this project and will be available for review at the public hearing on April 4.

All required environmental clearances and permits will be obtained prior to beginning construction. Strict compliance with all environmental conditions and commitments resulting from regulatory approvals, and implementation of VDOT's specifications and standard best management practices will protect the environment during construction.

Anticipated Schedule

The following schedule has been proposed:

Public hearing: **April 4, 2012**

Public comment period ends: **April 16, 2012**

Right of way acquisition and utility relocation: **Fall 2012**

Construction advertisement: **2013**

Construction completion: **2016**

Project schedule is subject to change.

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. For additional information or assistance contact VDOT's Culpeper District Office of Equal Opportunity, 1601 Orange Road, Culpeper, VA 22701; telephone 1-800-FOR-ROAD (376-7623), TDD/TTY 800-307-4630 or 711.

Right of Way

Replacement of the Route 6 bridge over the Rivanna River will not require the displacement of any families, businesses or non-profit organizations.

As the design is developed, VDOT will determine what right of way and easements will be needed to accommodate the construction. The right of way and easement information will be available at the public hearing on April 4. The property owners will be notified of the exact location of the right of way and easements needed during the right of way acquisition process and prior to construction.

Information about right of way purchase is discussed in VDOT's Right of Way and Utilities brochure, "A Guide for Property Owners and Tenants." Copies of this brochure are available at the public hearing and from any VDOT right of way agent.

After the public hearing, information regarding right of way may be obtained from the right of way contact listed on the back of this brochure.