

Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Runway

Wallops Island

Cost: \$4.34 Million

Current Status: Construction began April 2016. Completion estimated March 2017.

About the Project: Construction of this 3,000-foot-long, 75-foot-wide runway for drone testing is being managed by VDOT for the Virginia Commercial Space Flight Authority.



Accomack County/Northampton County

Route 609 Reconstruction

Town of Onley

Cost: \$4.6 Million

Current Status: Construction began July 2015. Completion estimated Summer 2017.

About the Project: The project will begin at East Main Street (Route 789) and end on Route 13 Business in Accomack County, and for approximately 2.87 miles on Pennsylvania Avenue (Route 609) in the town of Onley. The plans are to widen the existing roadway in Onley to include two 11-foot travel lanes with curbs and gutters and 3-foot accommodations for bicyclists and pedestrians. The roadway in the county will be widened to a 22-foot roadway with two 11-foot travel lanes and 6-foot shoulders, of which 4 feet will be paved for bicyclists and pedestrians.



Route 709 Reconstruction

Town of Onley

Cost: \$6.3 Million

Current Status: Construction began October 2015. Completion estimated Summer 2017.

About the Project: The project will begin at Route 13 (Lankford Highway) and end at Route 679 (Fleming Road) for approximately 3.99 miles in Accomack County. The roadway will be widened by adding two 11-foot travel lanes with 6-foot graded shoulders. Two feet of the graded shoulder will be paved for bicycles.



Accomack County/Northampton County

Route 642 Reconstruction

Cape Charles

Cost: \$4 Million

Current Status: Construction began August 2016. Completion estimated December 2017.

About the Project: This project will provide safety improvements and enhance access to the Cape Charles Harbor. The roadway will consist of two 12-foot lanes and 8-foot shoulders, 4 feet of which will be paved for bicycles and pedestrians.



Route 13 Safety Study

Accomack County/Northampton County

Cost: \$250,000 - \$300,000

Current Status: Study completed June 2016.

About the Project: The study evaluated crash rates and offered mitigation strategies that VDOT and the jurisdictions can implement to make U.S. Route 13 a safer and more efficient transportation facility for the traveling public over the next 20 years. The study focused on U.S. Route 13 from the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel to the Maryland State Line, and Route 175 from U.S. Route 13 to the town of Chincoteague. So far, the findings have contributed to five project applications for funding under Smart Scale. Three of the projects have been recommended for funding, including two in Accomack County and one in Northampton County.

