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### Design Public Hearing

# U.S. Route 11 and Route 107 Intersection Improvements (Smyth County)

Tuesday, December 4, 2018, 4 – 6 p.m.

*Inclement Weather Date: December 11, 2018, 4 – 6 p.m.*

Chilhowie High School

1160 E. Lee Highway, Chilhowie, VA 24319

## Public Meeting

**The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) welcomes you to the design public hearing for proposed improvements at the intersection of U.S. Route 11 and Route 107 in the Town of Chilhowie. The plans also include improving the turning radius at the intersection, which will provide additional space for large trucks to turn.**

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 his or her comments and/or suggestions concerning the proposed project after reviewing the project information.

## 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.

## Project Overview



*Intersection of Routes 11 and 107 in Chilhowie.*

**Anticipated Cost** – approximately \$3 million

**Purpose** – Improve safety at intersection of Routes 11 and 107 in Chilhowie

**From** – 0.1 mile west of the Route 107 intersection

**To** – the Route 107 intersection

**Total length** – 0.1000 mile

**Anticipated Schedule** – begin right-of way acquisition spring 2020; advertise for construction bids late spring 2021.

# PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The primary purpose of the project is to lessen congestion and enhance safety by improving the Intersection of U.S. Route 11 and Route 107 in the Chilhowie area of Smyth County.

The project includes adding a left turn lane from Route 107 north and southbound onto Route 11 and radius improvements at the intersection that will provide additional space for large trucks to turn at the intersection. Also, there will be a left turn lane added onto northbound Route 107 into the Food City shopping center.

During construction, motorists should anticipate periodic delays and lane closures.

The project is funded through VDOT's SMART SCALE Program, created to prioritize transportation projects statewide. The project is valued at approximately \$3 million, including design, right of way and construction.

Once the public involvement and design phase are complete, right of way acquisition is anticipated to begin spring 2020. The project will be advertised for construction bids in late spring 2021.

## Environmental Review

Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), 23 CFR 771, and the 2017 Agreement between the Federal Highway Administration and VDOT, a Categorical Exclusion (CE) was prepared for this project and is available for review at tonight's meeting. In compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106 and 36 CFR Part 800, information concerning the potential effects of the proposed improvements on properties listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places is available for review at tonight's meeting. All subsequent environmental conditions and commitments resulting from regulatory approvals will be adhered to during project construction.

## Right of Way

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 is available at tonight's public hearing. 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.

## Get Involved

Comments can also be submitted in writing to [bristolinfo@vdot.virginia.gov](mailto:bristolinfo@vdot.virginia.gov). Information must be postmarked, e-mailed or delivered to

VDOT within 10 calendar days of today's meeting (December 14, 2018) in order to be included in the citizen information meeting record.

## Contact Information

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