

Northern Virginia Transportation Authority The Authority for Transportation in Northern Virginia

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THE NORTHERN VIRGINIA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARING ON JUNE 9, 2016 ON ITS DRAFT FY2017 PROGRAM

Northern Virginia Transportation Authority Considers 24 Regional Transportation Projects Presented For Consideration; Public Comment Period Kicks Off Today

NORTHERN VIRGINIA – On June 9, 2016 the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) will hold a Public Hearing on its <u>Draft FY2017 Program</u> (see attached project list).

Public Hearing Information

The Public Hearing will be held at the Authority's offices located at <u>3040 Williams Drive in Fairfax, Virginia</u> <u>22031.</u>

An Open House will be held at 6:00pm with regional transportation planners on hand to answer questions one-on-one. Detailed maps and project descriptions will be available for review. At 7:00pm, NVTA Chairman Martin E. Nohe, will give a presentation outlining the Authority's planning, prioritizing and funding selection process. Public testimony will begin immediately following the presentation.

- Interested individuals may pre-register to speak at: theauthority@thenovaauthority.org. Speaker sign-up will also be available on site. Speakers will be allowed 3 minutes each.
- Free garage parking is available at NVTA. For those taking transit, <u>free shuttle service</u> will be provided by the Fairfax Connector from the Dunn Loring-Merrifield Metro Station beginning at 5:40pm and will run for 30 minutes after the last speaker at the Public Hearing.
- For members of the public who are unable to attend, the <u>NVTA's Draft FY2017 Program</u> <u>presentation</u> is available on the Authority's web site.

Public Comment Information

The public comment period will be open from May 13, 2016 through 5:00pm June 17, 2016. In addition to the Public Hearing, the NVTA will accept public comments by:

- email: <u>FY2017Program@TheNoVaAuthority.org</u>
- mail: 3040 Williams Drive, Suite 200, Fairfax, VA 22031
- phone: 703-642-4652.

Local Town Hall Meetings

In an effort to ensure region wide participation, Town Hall Meetings on the Draft FY2017 Program will be also be hosted by several NVTA member jurisdictions. The following local Town Hall meetings are currently scheduled:

- <u>City of Alexandria</u> Wednesday, May 18, 7pm Alexandria City Hall, Council Work Room (Second Floor), <u>301 King Street</u>, Alexandria, VA 22314
 <u>Arlington County</u> Thursday, June 2, 6pm Arlington County Board Room, 3rd floor, <u>2100 Clarendon Blvd.</u>, Arlington, VA 22201
 <u>Fairfax County</u> Thursday, May 26, 6:30-8:30pm
- Thursday, May 26, 6:30-8:30pm
 Lake Anne Elementary School, Cafeteria, <u>11510 North Shore Drive</u>, Reston, VA 20190
 Wednesday, June 1, 6:30-8:30pm
 South County Government, 2nd floor, <u>5380 Richmond Hwy</u>, Alexandria, VA 22309
 Wednesday, June 15, 6-8:30pm
 Fairfax Government Center, Rooms 9/10, <u>12000 Government Center Parkway</u>, Fairfax, VA 22030
 Prince William County
 Wednesday, May 25, 6-8pm

Old Manassas Court House, 9248 Lee Ave., Manassas, VA 20110

Additional meetings may be added. For a complete list of Town Hall Meetings, go to <u>www.TheNoVaAuthority.org</u>.

The NVTA is the premiere planning, prioritizing and funding transportation organization in Northern Virginia. The Authority is responsible for the region's long range transportation plan and works regionally to fund projects based on congestion reduction relative to cost. To date, the Authority has funded 68 projects for a total of \$535 million. It has also distributed \$233 million, as of March 2016, to member jurisdictions for local transportation projects of their choice, within the parameters set by HB 2313. The Authority is currently developing its FY2017 Program, with adoption anticipated in July 2016, and is in the process of updating the region's long range transportation plan, TransAction. The update to TransAction is a two year process and adoption of the new plan is anticipated in fall 2017.

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The NVTA was created by the General Assembly on July 1, 2002, to offer a common voice for Northern Virginia on transportation issues confronting the region. The Authority is made up of nine jurisdictions including: the counties of Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun and Prince William; as well as the cities of Alexandria, Fairfax, Falls Church, Manassas and Manassas Park. The Authority is responsible for updating Northern Virginia's long-range transportation plan, TransAction, and since 2014 manages approximately \$340 million annually in public funds for transportation projects designed to provide congestion relief throughout Northern Virginia. For more information visit www.thenovaauthority.org.