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**DESIGN PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD ON PROPOSED PLANS FOR
HAMPTON ROADS EXPRESS LANES NEWPORT NEWS SEGMENT**
*Public invited to attend virtually and in-person to learn about plans for Express
Lanes*

NEWPORT NEWS – The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) will hold a design public hearing virtually Wednesday, Sept. 29, and in-person Thursday, Sept. 30, to share information and receive feedback on the proposed design plans to convert the existing high occupancy vehicle lane into an Express Lane, convert a general purpose lane into an Express Lane, and widen the existing lanes to add a buffer between the lanes. The project starts 1.20 miles west of Denbigh Boulevard in Newport News and ends at 0.139 miles east of LaSalle Avenue in Hampton for a project length of approximately 13.5 miles.

Virtual Design Public Hearing

Wednesday, Sept. 29, 5:30 p.m.

Registration Required at Link Below

<https://www.virginiadot.org/64expresslanesnewportnews>

In-Person Design Public Hearing

Thursday, Sept. 30, 4-7 p.m.

Y.H. Thomas Community Center

1300 Thomas Street, Hampton, VA 23669

The purpose of the meeting is to give citizens an opportunity to review the project exhibits on display, meet with VDOT representatives and provide input. The virtual meeting will include a presentation by VDOT project engineers with the opportunity for the public to ask questions verbally and via an online chat format. The in-person public hearing will be an open-house format meeting with no formal presentation. Media are invited to attend both sessions.

Express Lanes are designed to transport more motorists through the region while helping to alleviate congestion and allowing motorists travel options. This project also includes replacing the bridges on I-64 over LaSalle Avenue in both directions and rehabilitating the bridges over Armistead Avenue on I-64 in both directions. To learn more about the details of the project, visit

https://www.64expresslanes.org/under_design/newport_news.asp.

Comments from the public regarding the proposed project may be submitted during the live presentation, afterwards using an online form, or via email by Oct. 10, 2021 to Erin.Foley@VDOT.Virginia.gov. Please reference “I-64 Hampton Roads Express Lanes Newport News Segment 4A/4B Comment” in the subject line. Written comments may also be submitted by mail addressed to Erin Foley, P.E, Project Manager, Virginia Department of Transportation, 7511 Burbage Drive, Suffolk, VA 23435.

In case of technical issues or inclement weather, the virtual public hearing back-up date is Oct. 1 at 5:30 and the in-person back-up date is Oct. 7 from 4-7 p.m. at the same location.

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