

## Federal Highway Administration

### Notice of Virtual Open House Public Meeting for Replacement of the Ft. Eustis Blvd Bridge Over the Lee Hall Reservoir Project No. VA FLAP NPNWS 105(1)

The Bridge that carries Ft. Eustis Boulevard (Route 105) over the Lee Hall Reservoir in the City of Newport News will be undergoing construction beginning in May 2020. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), in cooperation with the City of Newport News, invites you to attend a Virtual Open House Public Meeting. Representatives from FHWA and the City of Newport News will be available during this meeting to describe the project, including how traffic will be managed, expected travel delays, lane closures, etc. and answer any questions you have about the construction before it begins.

The entire bridge including the deck, piers and abutments will be replaced by a new structure designed to meet current standards. The project will be completed in phases to minimize impacts to the travelling public and commuters into and out of Joint Base Langley-Eustis. Traffic will be maintained in both directions during all phases of construction, with no less than one lane open in each direction. Some construction activities may require occasional, short term closures, but these will not occur during any peak travel times. The FHWA, City, and Joint Base Langley-Eustis are collaborating to implement traffic management strategies to mitigate the impacts due to construction. During peak morning and afternoon rush hour, travelers on Ft. Eustis Boulevard should expect delays and are encouraged to seek alternate routes, or avoid travel during peak times. Additional traffic information and project updates will be posted and updated on the project website. The duration of the project is expected to be 30 months with completion by Winter 2022.

Ft Eustis Boulevard provides a connection between Jefferson Ave, Interstate 64 and Warwick Boulevard as well as access to the main gate at Joint Base Langley-Eustis. The existing bridge over the Lee Hall reservoir was originally constructed in 1960 and was widened in 1985 to the current lane configuration. The last major rehabilitation of the bridge occurred in 1993. This project is being funded through the Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP), plus federal, state and local sources. The Eastern Federal Lands Highway Division (EFLHD) completed the design and will be administering the contract.

#### Key Messages to Communicate

- Ft. Eustis Boulevard will be under construction between the I-64 and Warwick Blvd interchanges.
- Drivers should avoid Route 105, Ft Eustis Blvd, between the I-64 interchange and the Warwick Blvd interchange during the following peak travel times:
  - 7:00 – 9:00 AM in the Westbound direction
  - 4:00 – 6:00 PM in the Eastbound direction
- Alternate routes are available between Jefferson Blvd and Warrick Blvd via I-64 Exit 247 to the North and Exit 255 to the South.
- Drivers can get up to date traffic pattern and alternate route information by visiting the project website.

**The meeting will be an interactive webcast. The project team will give a short presentation followed by an open Q&A using Adobe Connect. If using a Chrome browser, Adobe Flash player is required.**

Thursday, April 2, 2020 – Live Via Web – 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

<https://connectdot.connectsolutions.com/fteustisbridge/>

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**Project Website:** <https://flh.fhwa.dot.gov/projects/va/vaflapnpnws105/>