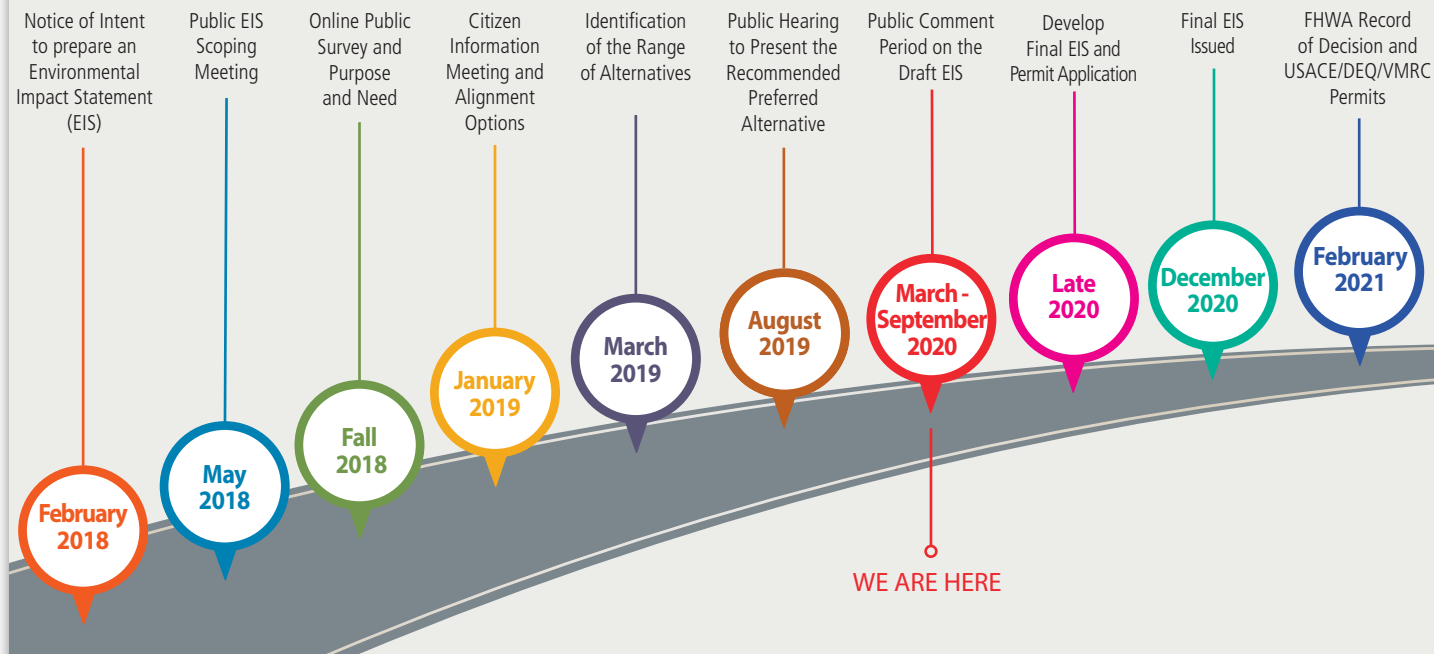


## Study Schedule



## Comments

Please visit the study website at: [www.virginiadot.org/martinsvilleconnector](http://www.virginiadot.org/martinsvilleconnector) to view the meeting materials, submit comments online or sign up for future updates.

Comments can be submitted online at the study website or text ROUTE220 to 77948 have the survey sent to your phone. You can also email comments to: [Martinsville220@vdot.virginia.gov](mailto:Martinsville220@vdot.virginia.gov) Please reference "Martinsville Southern Connector Study PH Comments" in the subject line.

Note that all comments made will become part of the record and inform the study. Substantive comments made at this hearing will be responded to in the Final EIS.

Or submit comments in writing to VDOT before September 11, 2020 by mail:  
Angel Aymond, Project Manager  
VDOT Environmental Division  
1401 East Broad Street  
Richmond, Virginia 23219

## Civil Rights

Representatives from VDOT are present to discuss the study 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 projects and programs that may affect them. VDOT ensures nondiscrimination in all programs and activities in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. If you need more information of special assistance for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency, contact VDOT's Civil Rights Office at 757-956-3000 (TTY/TDD users call 711).

## Right of Way

Information about right-of-way purchase is discussed in VDOT's brochure, "A Guide for Property Owners and Tenants." The document is available at: [virginiadot.org/business/resources/Right\\_of\\_way/A\\_Guide\\_for\\_Property\\_Owners\\_and\\_Tenants.pdf](http://virginiadot.org/business/resources/Right_of_way/A_Guide_for_Property_Owners_and_Tenants.pdf)

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## Public Hearing on Draft Environmental Impact Statement

### Martinsville Southern Connector Study Route 220 Environmental Impact Statement

September 1, 2020 • 3 p.m. - 7 p.m.  
Jack Dalton Park  
130 Jack Dalton Road  
Collinsville, VA 24078

## Welcome

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT), in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is holding this public hearing to present the Martinsville Southern Connector Study - Route 220 Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The study is being conducted to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). This public hearing will be an open-house format and

will provide an opportunity for the public to discuss the study with VDOT representatives. The hearing will include a video presentation that will run throughout the evening. Comment forms are available at this meeting and your input is encouraged. For more information, visit the study website at [www.Virginiadot.org/MartinsvilleConnector](http://www.Virginiadot.org/MartinsvilleConnector).

## Study Overview

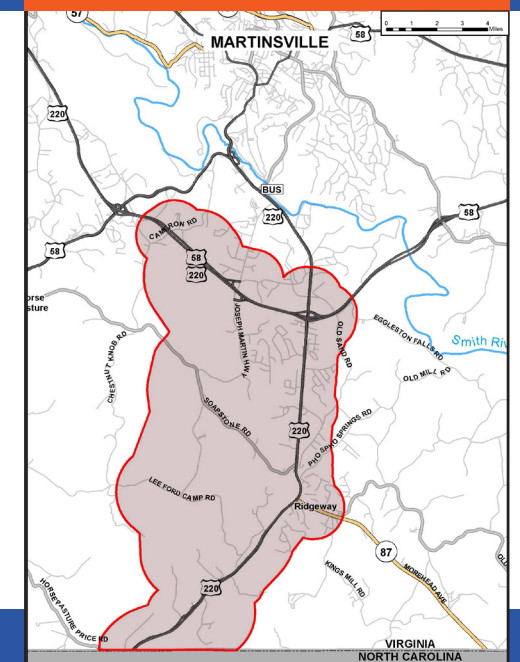
The Martinsville Southern Connector Study evaluates improvements to U.S. Route 220 from the North Carolina state line to the U.S. Route 58 bypass near Martinsville.

The Purpose and Need sets goals for the study and serves as the primary criteria in the development of alternatives. The purpose of the study is to enhance mobility for both local and regional traffic traveling along U.S. Route 220 within the study area. The needs identified for the study are:

- Accommodate regional traffic
- Accommodate local traffic
- Address geometric deficiencies and inconsistencies

This study is designated under Executive Order 13807, commonly referred to as the One Federal Decision (OFD), which sets timelines and requirements to obtain a NEPA decision and federal permits. VDOT will advance permit applications for the Preferred Alternative to meet OFD requirements.

## STUDY AREA

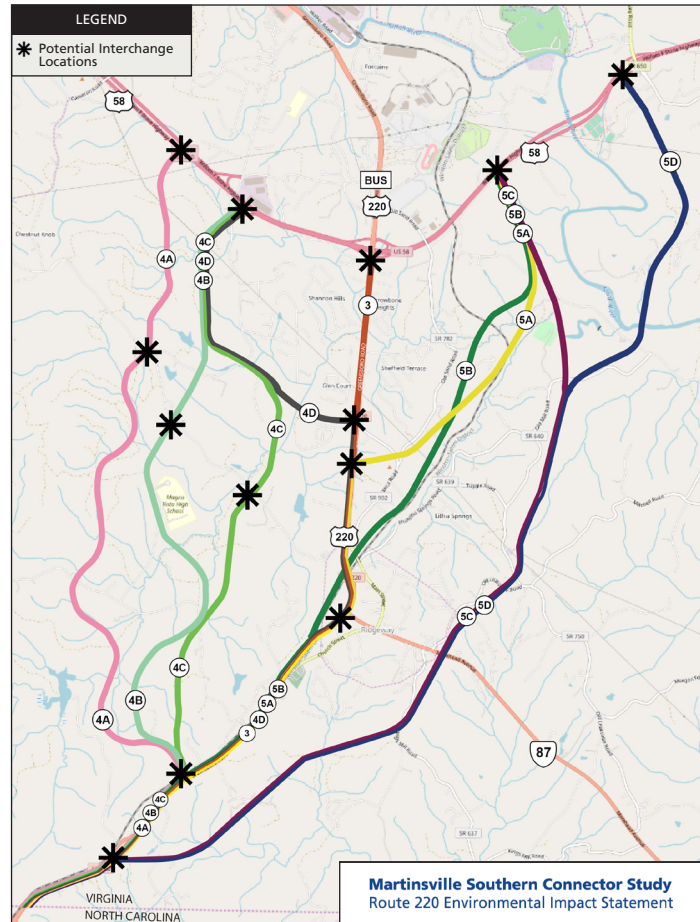


## Impacts Summary By Alternative

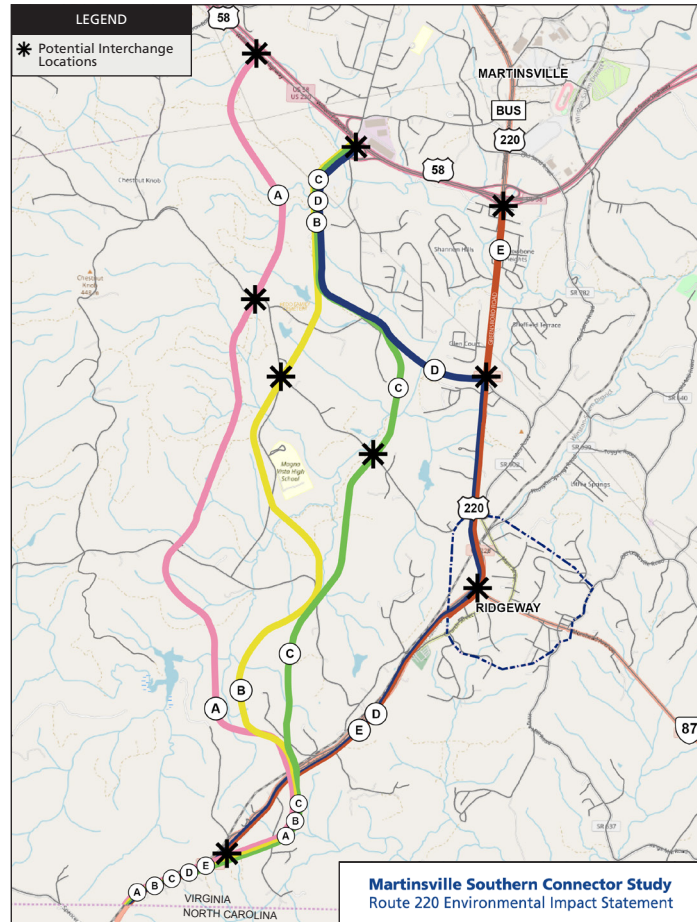
RESOURCE	Preferred Alternative		
	A	B	C
Potential Residential Relocations	17	26	25
Potential Commercial Relocations	0	0	0
Estimated Stream Impacts (linear feet)	28,998	20,548	21,882
Estimated Wetland Impacts (acres)	7.8	5.9	3.7
Preliminary Planning Level Cost Estimate	\$757 million	\$746 million	\$616 million

Impacts are based on illustrative planning level design and may be refined as part of the Final EIS or if/when funding is available and the project advances to more detailed design.

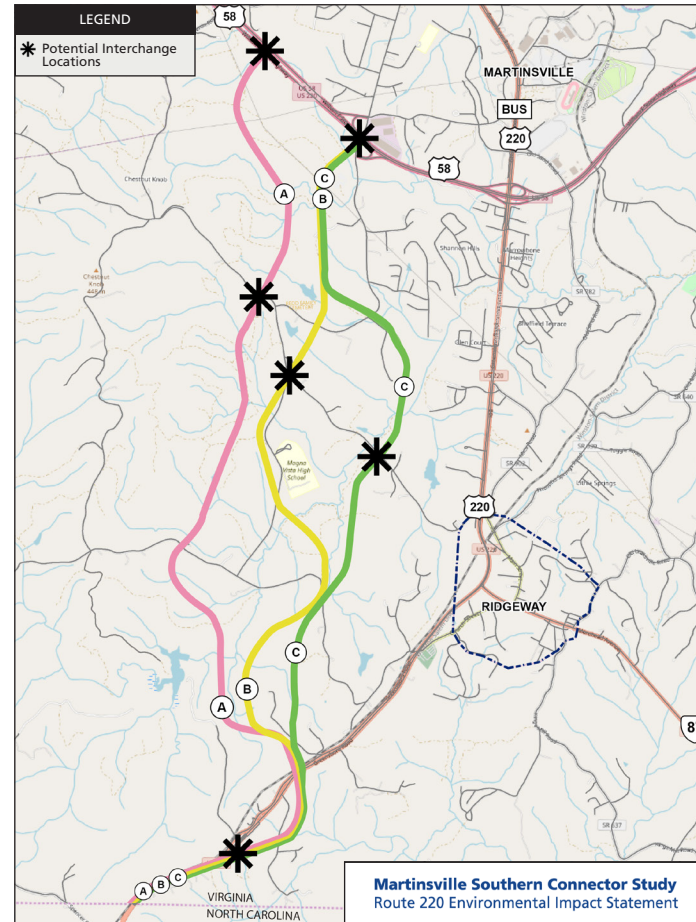
# Refinement of Alternatives Evaluated and Identification of the Preferred Alternative



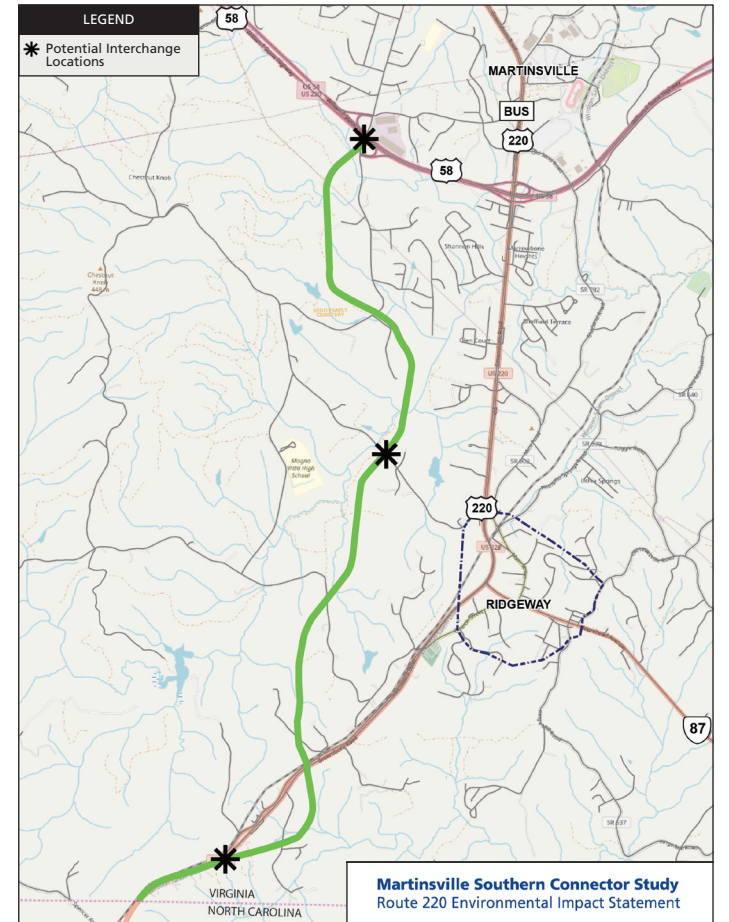
**ALIGNMENT OPTIONS INITIALLY CONSIDERED**  
JANUARY 2019



**ALTERNATIVES CARRIED FORWARD FOR EVALUATION**  
MARCH 2019



**ALTERNATIVES RETAINED**  
JUNE 2019



**ALTERNATIVE C IDENTIFIED AS THE PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE**  
JANUARY 2020

## Preferred Alternative

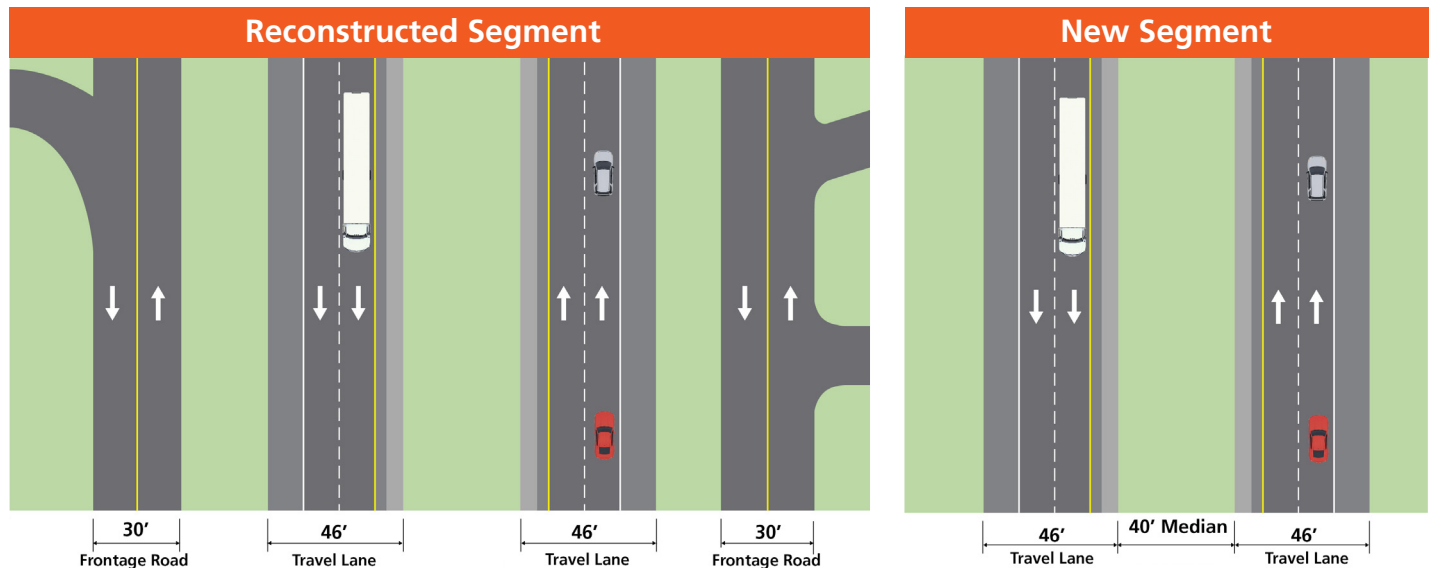
The Draft EIS documents analysis of potential social, economic and natural environmental impacts that could result from the alternatives evaluated. Alternative C best balances costs and impacts while meeting the Purpose and Need established for the study.

VDOT recommended Alternative C as the Preferred Alternative and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Environmental Protection Agency concurred. The Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) approved Alternative C as the Preferred Alternative in January 2020. Per CTB direction, VDOT will evaluate whether the preferred alternative can be refined to reduce property impacts while not increasing impacts to other resources.

Following the Final EIS, VDOT will request a Record of Decision from FHWA, as well as permits from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Virginia Department of Environmental Quality and Virginia Marine Resources Commission.



## Typical Sections



These dimensions may change if/when funding is identified for the project to advance to detailed design and construction.