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TRANSFORM 66

OUTSIDE THE BELTWAY



We're transforming I-66 to provide safer, more reliable travel options for more people across Northern Virginia.

CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS IN 2019 AND WHAT'S AHEAD IN 2020





Construction activity spread across the Transform 66 Outside the Beltway Project corridor in 2019, with significant parts of the project beginning to take shape. New bridge spans went up at the Route 28 and Route 234 Business interchanges. Ramps, bridge piers, and abutments were built for the reconstructed Route 123 interchange. The first part of the University Boulevard Park and Ride lot opened, offering expanded commuter bus service. Along the outside shoulders from I-495 to Gainesville, there was clearing, demolition, utility relocation, and other work needed for widening I-66.

In 2020, the first new bridges and ramps of the project will open for drivers along Route 28 and at the Route 28/I-66 interchange. The remaining traffic signals on Route 28 between Westfields Boulevard and Route 29 will be removed, improving traffic flow along Route 28. New and modified bridges over I-66 will open, including at Vaden Drive, Waples Mill Road, and Compton Road. New retaining walls and noise walls will be completed in many locations along the project corridor. Detailed coordination efforts are ramping up in preparation for WMATA's planned Orange Line shutdown in 2020.

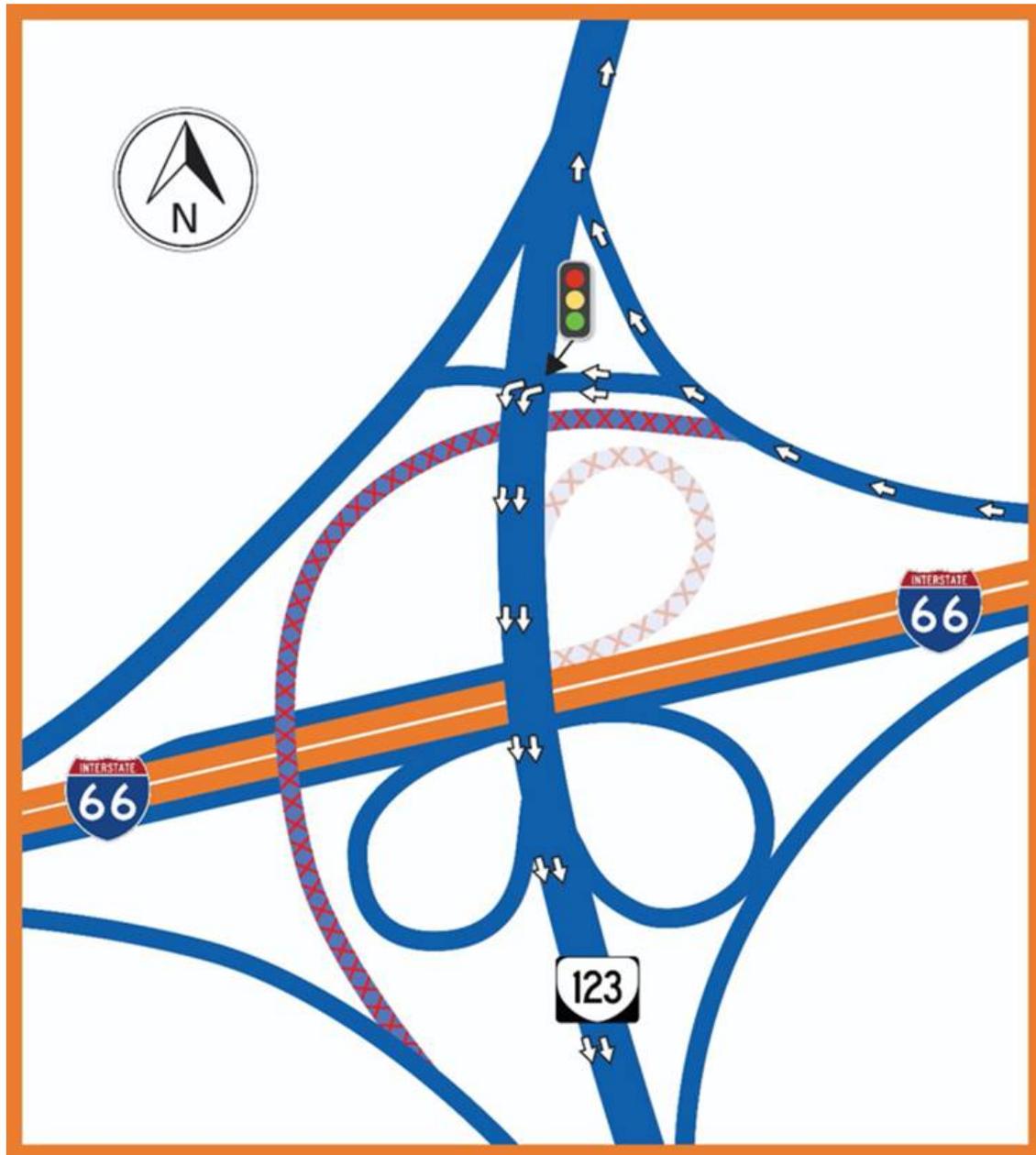
ONE WAY TRAFFIC ON WAPLES MILL ROAD OVER I-66 DURING BRIDGE WORK

The Waples Mill Road bridge over I-66 is being rebuilt to accommodate a wider I-66. Demolition and construction will occur over multiple phases. The first phase began on Jan. 25, with Waples Mill Road over I-66 reduced to a single lane. Alternating traffic on the bridge is being controlled by a temporary traffic signal for the next six months while work occurs. The sidewalk on the

east side of the bridge will remain open.

Demolition of the outermost portion of the west side of the current Waples Mill Road bridge began on Jan. 28. Overnight demolition activities will last approximately two weeks.

TRAFFIC PATTERN CHANGES AT ROUTE 123 INTERCHANGE; DEMOLITION OF FLYOVER RAMP UNDERWAY



Traffic patterns continue to change as the Route 123 Interchange is rebuilt with Express Lanes access. On Jan. 28, traffic exiting I-66 West to Route 123 North shifted to a new ramp toward Oakton that is part of the final interchange design. Traffic exiting to Route 123 South toward the City of Fairfax was shifted to the temporary ramp and traffic signal, where two left-turn lanes allow access to Route 123 South.

This change allowed demolition of the flyover ramp from I-66 West to Route 123 South to begin, which will make room for construction of new ramps. Demolition will occur during daytime hours, when possible. Demolition of the ramp portion over I-66 will occur during overnight hours when traffic lanes can be closed for the safety of the traveling public, and will last until mid-February. [Learn more about activity at the Route 123 Interchange](#)

Additional Construction Progress In The Last Month:

- Construction of new bridges at Route 28, Route 50, Route 123, Vaden Drive, Gallows Road, and I-495
- Partial demolition of the I-66 bridges over Route 29 in Centreville completed and new temporary traffic pattern put in place to make room for construction of the new bridges
- Retaining wall work throughout the corridor
- Construction of the Balls Ford Park and Ride Lot in Manassas
- Small charge blasting east and west of the Route 28 Interchange and east of the 234 Business Interchange
- Noise wall removal and replacement
- Water line relocation at Cedar Lane, Jermantown Road, Stringfellow Road, Northbourne Drive, and Gallows Road
- Construction of new utility duct bank along eastbound I-66



As construction progresses on I-66 Outside the Beltway, traffic patterns will periodically change. Slow down and pay close attention to roadway signs and lane markings as you and other drivers adjust to new traffic patterns.

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