CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS IN APRIL

Warmer temperatures and more daylight helped crews make visible progress in several areas of the Transform 66 construction corridor including:

- Bridge foundations and piers at I-495, Route 28, and Route 234 Business interchanges, as well as Bull Run Drive overpass
- Tree clearing and grading, which is nearly complete, at the future park and ride lot off Balls Ford Road near Manassas
- Retaining wall construction along I-66 in the Jermantown Road area
- Continued shifting of travel lanes toward the center of the roadway into a temporary traffic pattern to allow construction on the shoulders
- First long-term detours and closures around Route 123 and Route 28

Heavier construction work in May will continue to focus on the areas around Route 28 and Route 123. Between clearing, lane shifts, utility relocations, and retaining wall work, nearly every section of the 22.5-mile project corridor will see construction activity this month.
LEARN ABOUT DESIGN UPDATES FOR NUTLEY STREET INTERCHANGE

FAM Construction, the I-66 design-build team, has developed a new design concept for the Nutley Street interchange. This new concept improves traffic flow on Nutley Street compared to the previously proposed diverging diamond design concept. This alternative design would reduce impacts to surrounding properties and eliminate the need to build a second Nutley Street bridge span over I-66.

Learn more by attending the public information meeting:

**WHEN**
Wednesday, June 5
6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
(Presentation at 7 p.m.)

**WHERE**
James Madison High School
2500 James Madison Drive
Vienna, VA 22181
ROAD CLOSURES AND TRAFFIC CHANGES

As construction advances, detours and other traffic changes are necessary to accommodate construction. Changes made during April and early May include:

- **Walney Road** was closed between Route 28 and Cabells Mill Road on May 1. Detours are in place using Route 28 and Westfields Boulevard until a new overpass connecting Braddock Road and Walney Road opens in late 2020. [Learn more]

- **Route 123 North** drivers began using a new traffic signal to access I-66 West on April 18. The existing loop ramp has been replaced by two left turn lanes. This traffic pattern will be in place for about 18 months while the interchange is reconstructed. [Learn more]

- **Compton Road** was narrowed to one lane where it passes under I-66 so work can occur on the roadway above beginning April 29. A temporary traffic signal is in place for the next six months until work is complete.

Additional traffic changes will occur around interchanges and overpasses across the I-66 Outside the Beltway corridor during the next three and a half years of construction. Visit [Transform66.org](http://Transform66.org) and watch these email updates for continued information.

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SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS ON
PLANNED MASS TRANSIT ALONG I-66
VDOT’s Transform 66 Project will move more people and provide new travel options along the I-66 corridor from Gainesville to Washington, D.C. A new survey from the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) is engaging commuters and other travelers to learn more about the transportation improvements they would like to see along I-66 in the future. Results will help guide how future transportation funds are spent in the I-66 corridor. Click here to begin.

**SPRING RAIN SAFE DRIVING TIPS**

**TURN ON HEADLIGHTS**
It's the law in Virginia to turn on headlights when visibility is low, and to have the headlights on when the windshield wipers are in use. Daytime running lights are not headlights.

**BEWARE OF HYDROPLANING**
Hydroplaning is the technical term for what occurs when your tires lose traction with the road due to excess water on top of the road. The result is that your vehicle begins to slide uncontrollably. If you start to hydroplane, let off the accelerator (gas pedal) slowly, and steer straight until you regain control.

**TURN OFF CRUISE CONTROL**
Ironically, on rain slick surfaces, cruise control may cause you to lose control. You might think it'll help you stay at one steady speed, but if you hydroplane while you're in cruise control, your car will actually go faster.

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