

July 2020



# TRANSFORM 66

## OUTSIDE THE BELTWAY

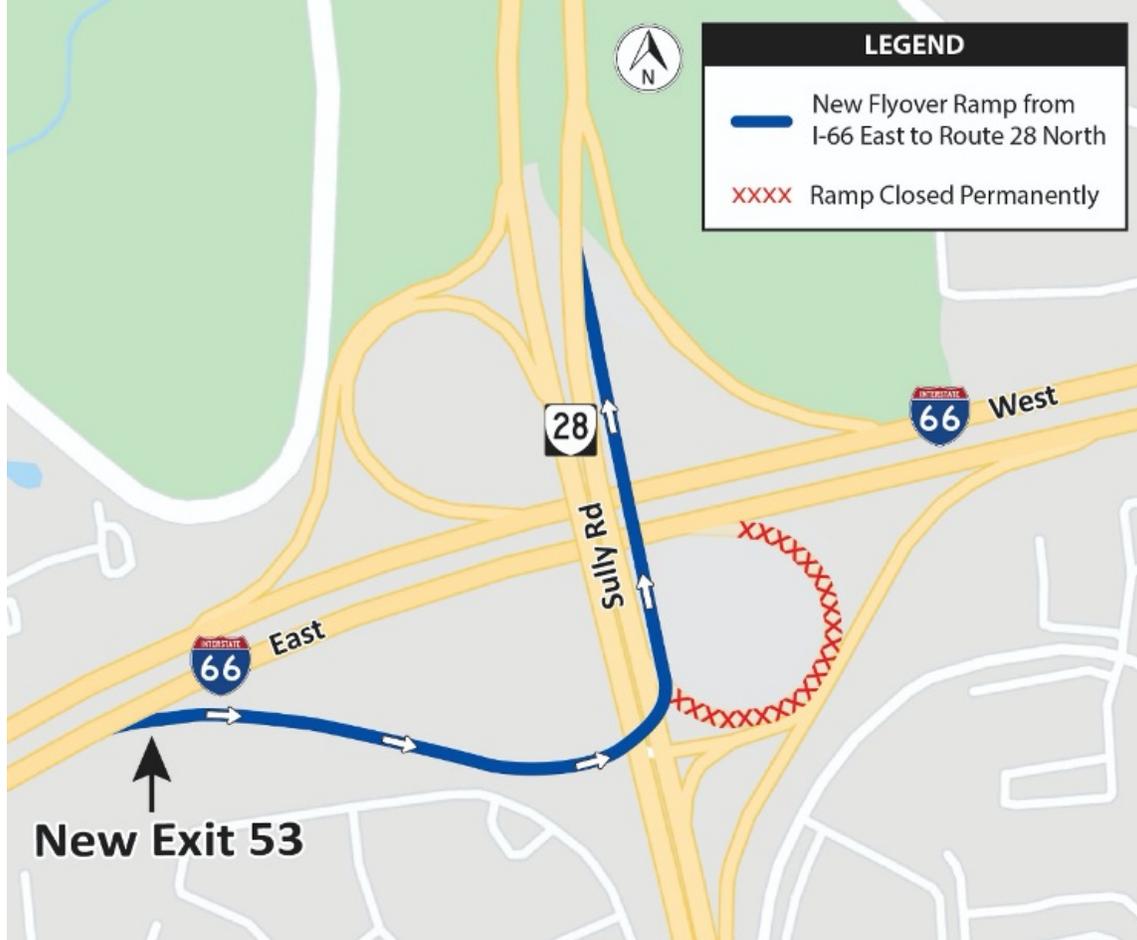


*We're transforming I-66 to provide safer, more reliable travel options for more people across Northern Virginia.*

### **NEW RAMP FROM I-66 EAST TO ROUTE 28 NORTH OPENS AHEAD OF SCHEDULE**

The first new exit ramp and bridge for the under-construction I-66 and Route 28 Interchange opened ahead of schedule on July 8. Drivers on I-66 East now use a new flyover ramp to access Route 28 North.

The new ramp was completed as an early interim milestone for the Transform 66 Outside the Beltway project, and is the first of several permanent traffic pattern changes happening this year at the I-66 and Route 28 interchange area. Later this year, the remaining traffic signals on Route 28 between Westfields Boulevard and Route 29 will be removed, and a new overpass to reconnect Braddock Road and Walney Road is scheduled to open. The new Route 28 and I-66 interchange will improve traffic flow on I-66 and Route 28, and provide access to and from the future I-66 Express Lanes, which are expected to open in December 2022.



*Drivers access the new I-66 East to Route 28 North flyover ramp prior to Route 28.*

## **NEW SHARED-USE PATH OPENS AT E.C. LAWRENCE PARK**

A new shared-use path opened to bicyclists and pedestrians at E.C. Lawrence Park on June 18, connecting Stonecroft Boulevard with the E.C. Lawrence

Park athletic fields. The path runs alongside the new park access road, which opened to traffic in November 2019. Additionally, a new bridge over Route 28 connecting Poplar Tree Road with Stonecroft Boulevard is scheduled to open this fall, further improving access to the park. These new features provide improved, safer access to E.C. Lawrence Park while also allowing removal of another traffic signal on Route 28.



*New shared-use path opened along the E.C. Lawrence Park access road on June 18.*

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## **VADEN DRIVE BRIDGE RECONSTRUCTION UPDATE**

Beam installation is nearly complete for the new Vaden Drive Bridge over I-66, with the final beams expected to be in place by the end of the month. Following installation, crews will begin construction of the bridge deck, working toward a planned opening of the new bridge in September 2020.

The old Vaden Drive bridge over I-66 closed to traffic on October 18, 2019, to allow accelerated demolition and construction of a new bridge. The new bridge will include express lanes access to and from the west, as well as improved bicycle and pedestrian paths.

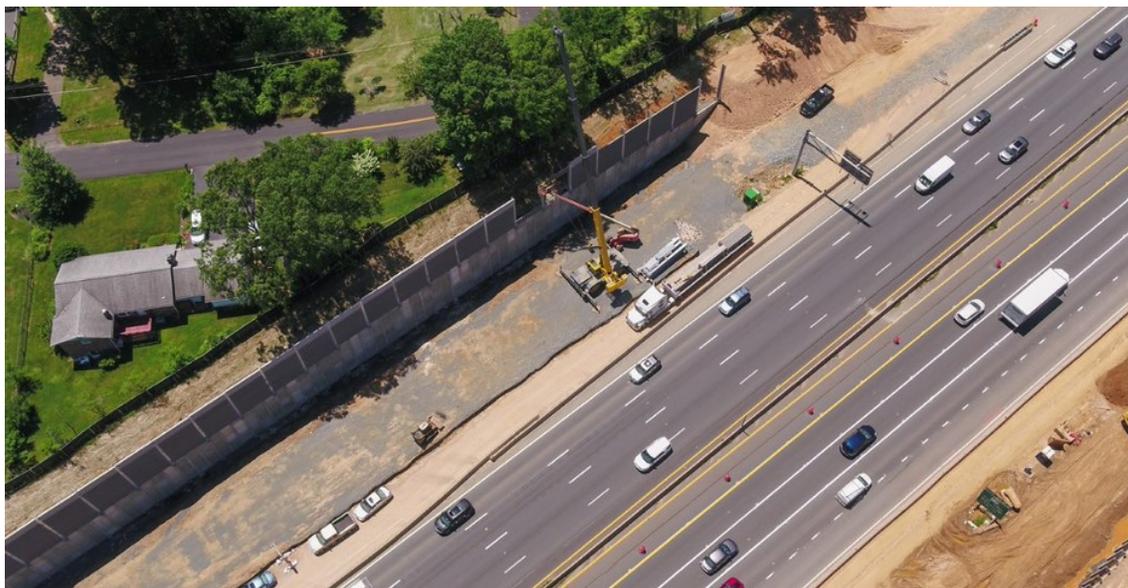


*Workers install a steel beam over I-66 West for the new Vaden Drive Bridge.*

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## RECENT CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS

In June, construction progress included installing many new noise walls along the project corridor. The locations and height of the new noise walls were determined by the project's final noise analysis, which is available on the [project website](#).



*Crews place panels for a new noise wall built atop a new retaining wall near the Route 123 Interchange.*

Additional construction activities in June included:

- 17,000 tons of new pavement placed for new general purpose lanes on I-66 West in Manassas
- Continued work on 53 retaining walls along the corridor
- Continued bridge construction at Cub Run, Compton Road, Route 29 (Lee Highway), Route 28, Poplar Tree Road, Route 50, Waples Mill Road, Jermantown Road, Route 123 (Chain Bridge Road), Vaden Drive, Cedar Lane, Gallows Road, and within the I-495 Interchange
- 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 Route 234 Business Interchange
- Water line relocation at Stringfellow Road, Cedar Lane, and Gallows Road
- Construction of a new utility duct bank along I-66 East

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