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Public Hearing

Arlington National Cemetery Southern Expansion (ANCSE) Defense Access Road (DAR) Project

Tuesday, February 11, 2020

6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Presentation begins at 7:15 p.m.

Inclement weather date: Thursday, February 13, 2020

Sheraton Pentagon City
900 South Orme Street
Arlington, VA 22204

Design Public Hearing

Welcome to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Eastern Federal Lands Highway Division's (EFLHD) design public hearing for this DAR project. This project will realign Columbia Pike to allow for additional contiguous interment space for Arlington National Cemetery (ANC). We look forward to your active participation.

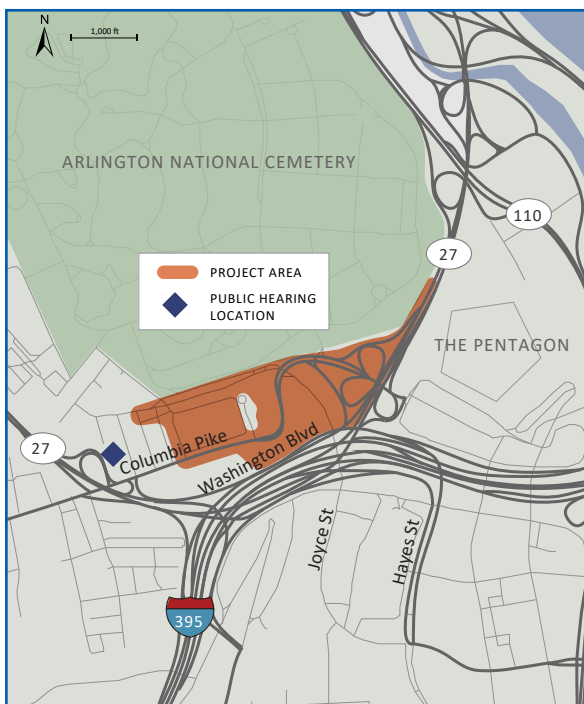
The purpose of this hearing is to present 40% design plans and related information to the public and to listen to the community. The feedback you provide will be considered in future decisions about the project including a resolution on the proposed Limited Access Control Change (LACC) by the Virginia Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) and the Design Approval

milestone by the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT).

This meeting will provide an opportunity for citizens and organizations to give FHWA EFLHD comments and/or suggestions on the proposed project. All members of the community will have the opportunity to participate in public decisions on transportation projects and programs affecting them.

FHWA EFLHD representatives are here to discuss the project and answer your questions. We included a comment sheet in this brochure, and we encourage your input.

Project at a Glance



Purpose: Expand the contiguous interment space for Arlington National Cemetery and improve safety and security

Phase: Design

Location: Arlington County, just south of ANC

Improvements: Modification of the S. Joyce Street Intersection and the Columbia Pike/ Washington Boulevard (Route 27) Interchange

Replacement of Southgate Road with a new segment of S. Nash Street

Addition of pedestrian and bicycle facilities and street lighting

Project Overview

To achieve the vision of the Arlington National Cemetery Southern Expansion (ANCSE), this project will realign Columbia Pike, modify the S. Joyce Street Intersection and the Columbia Pike/Washington Boulevard (Route 27) Interchange, and replace Southgate Road with a new segment of S. Nash Street. As part of the realignment, a new location for the Cemetery maintenance compound will be added to the south of Columbia Pike. The DAR project also will improve multimodal capacity and safety by adding pedestrian and bicycle facilities as well as street lighting. There will be no residential relocations as a result of this project. This project will result in a change of limited access control for Route 27 along the north side of the interchange and along the north side of I-395. The limited access line will be adjusted from north and west of the interchange along Route 27 and I-395 to the VDOT maintenance facility property line. This Limited Access Control Change (LACC) will be presented and discussed at this public hearing.

This project has been the subject of an Environmental Assessment in accordance with National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements. A Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) was issued by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in December 2019.

The goals of the interchange modification include:

- To improve safety and security
- To allow for more contiguous land for Arlington National Cemetery expansion
- To improve traffic and transit operations at signalized intersections
- To provide for more efficient pedestrian and bicycle access along Columbia Pike and through its interchange with Washington Boulevard
- To improve multimodal access to regional destinations, and maintain consistency with the Arlington County Master Transportation Plan, the Columbia Pike Multimodal Street Improvements Project, ANC expansion plans, and Pentagon 9/11 Memorial plans

Civil Rights

FHWA and VDOT ensure nondiscrimination in all programs and activities in accordance with Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Any persons with questions on the accessibility of the facility or need for reasonable accommodations should contact Mr. Thomas Shifflett at 703-404-6323.

Next Steps

Following public input, FHWA EFLHD will work with Arlington National Cemetery and other stakeholders on final design and construction of the DAR project.

Get Involved

FHWA EFLHD will review and evaluate any information received as a result of this public hearing. The comment sheet and brochure is provided to assist in making your comments. You may leave the sheet or any other written comments in the comment box, or mail/email your comments.

Project plans are available for review at the FHWA EFLHD's project website (flh.fhwa.dot.gov/projects/va/vastanc-1).

View the plans online and submit your written comments by February 26, 2020 to Mr. Thomas Shifflett:

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