



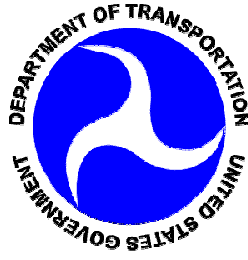
**U.S. Route 460 Corridor Improvements  
Update Supplemental Environmental Impact  
Statement**

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## Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS)

- ❑ **December 2013, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Norfolk District, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) & VDOT execute Memorandum of Understanding - framework for conduct of SEIS**
  
- ❑ **December 2013, USACE & FHWA issue Notices of Intent in Federal Register**
  - joint lead federal agencies for preparation of the SEIS
  
- ❑ **March 2014, Secretary Layne suspends contract and permit work while VDOT continues the needed environmental reviews in cooperation with its federal partners.**



# SEIS Overview

Purpose & Need remains focused on:

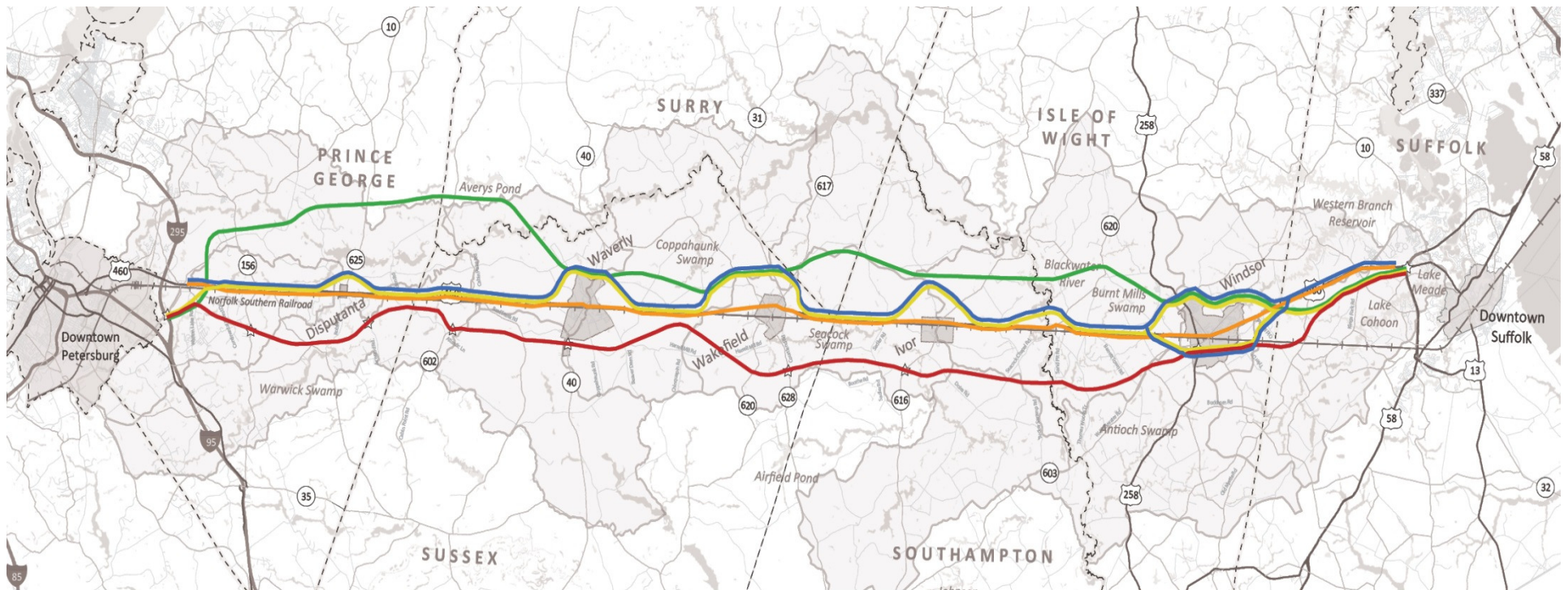
- Addressing roadway deficiencies
- Improving safety
- Accommodating increasing freight shipments
- Reducing travel delay
- Providing adequate emergency evacuation capability
- Improving strategic military connectivity
- Meeting local economic development plans

Scope of Analysis:

- 5 Build Alternatives & the No Build
- Resources Analysis: Wetlands, Streams, T&E, Cultural, Air, Noise, Traffic, Relocations, Land Use, Socioeconomic, Probable Cost

# NEPA Study Area and Alternatives

The Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) currently being developed will include the analysis of five build alternatives along with a No Build option.





**Alternative 1:** A four-lane tolled road that runs south of the existing U.S. Route 460. Identified as the preferred alternative in the original Environmental Impact Statement.



**Alternative 2: A four-lane road that runs along the existing U.S. Route 460 including six bypasses around the existing towns. The bypasses will be evaluated as both tolled and not tolled.**





**Alternative 3: A four-lane tolled road that runs north of the existing U.S. Route 460; identified as CBA-3 in the original Environmental Impact Statement.**



**Alternative 4: A four-lane road that runs along the existing U.S. Route 460 with improvements to meet standards for medians, shoulders, and intersections.**





**Alternative 5:** An eight-lane road that follows a corridor similar to Alt 2. Four of the eight lanes (two eastbound, two westbound) are tolled as in Alternatives 1 or 3. The remaining four lanes are untolled local roads with an eastbound and westbound lane on each side of the tolled road.



# Schedule

- ❑ **Informational Town Hall Meetings along corridor: July 2014**
- ❑ **Draft SEIS approved for public availability: late Sept 2014**
- ❑ **Public hearings held along the corridor: Oct 2014**
- ❑ **Identification of Preferred Alt./Preliminary Least Environmentally Damaging Practicable Alternative (LEDPA): end of 2014**
- ❑ **Preparation of Final SEIS: 2015**
  - Address comments on Draft
  - More detailed analysis of preferred alternative
  - Re-initiation of permit activities
- ❑ **ROD from FHWA, Permit decision by USACE**



**Questions?**