

MEMORANDUM

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 CC: SWG

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ORGANIZATION: CENTRAL VIRGINIA TRANSPORTATION
 PLANNING ORGANIZATION (CVTPO)

DATE: AUGUST 16, 2024

PHONE NUMBER:

SENDER'S REFERENCE NUMBER:

RE: CVTPO INTERSECTION SAFETY STUDY STEERING
 WORK GROUP MEETING #2 NOTES – AMHERST COUNTY

YOUR REFERENCE NUMBER:

URGENT FOR YOUR USE PLEASE COMMENT PLEASE REPLY PLEASE RECYCLE

Attendees

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Summary of Discussion

Jeanie Alexander provided an update for Amherst County, as the study intersections have changed. Projected future traffic volumes, operational analysis results, and proposed improvements were presented. After each intersection, the group was invited to provide feedback and ask questions about the proposed improvements. The following comments were the result of this discussion:

- US Route 29 Business (Amherst Highway) and Sprouse Drive** – Tyler Creasy concurred with the signing and pavement marking recommendations. Matt Conner mentioned that the existing centerline on Falconerville Road appears to be aligned toward 29 BUS south, rather than at a right angle, likely to accommodate sweeping right turns. Matt recommended reconsidering the alignment of the centerline on Falconerville Road.
- US Route 29 Business (Amherst Highway) and Rothwood Road (657)** – Matt Conner indicated that VDOT has started installing median stop signs on wide median crossovers where it may be perceived as a separate road segment. Given the width of the median crossover at Rothwood Road, Matt suggested median stop signs be considered.
- Amelon Expressway (130) and Amelon Road (669)/Amelon Center Parkway** – Tyler Creasy indicated that there are a lot of connections to residential areas from Amelon Road, including significant

upcoming development, and having potential options moving forward will be helpful. Matt Conner expressed concern about the actual truck turning radius in the two-lane roundabout, as it requires full use of the apron to avoid vehicles in the second lane. Matt indicated he would be more comfortable with a single-lane or hybrid option and tentatively supports a single-lane roundabout based on volumes. Rick Youngblood added that a single-lane roundabout would allow for slip lanes where appropriate for right turns.

Action Items

- EPR will develop cost estimates, including a high-level estimate for a roundabout at Amelon Expressway/Amelon Road/Amelon Center Parkway.
- EPR will submit a draft report encompassing Bedford County and Amherst County sites to SWG.
- EPR will provide the SIDRA files to Matt Conner.

END of MEMORANDUM